

**Middle Level Principals Meeting  
Thursday, May 26, 2016**

**Précis**

**Updates**

- SED [Update](#)
- [Information](#) about APPR

**Meeting Topics**

- **Legal Topics w/ David Cirillo, Esq.**
  - Gender identity considerations ([slides](#))
    - Dave reviewed key points from the slides
    - We discussed some situations we've encountered (approximately half of the principals in attendance have wrestled with this issue to some extent, so far)
    - *Becoming Nicole* is the story of twins, one of whom is transgender. Here's the [story](#) from the *Washington Post*, and here's the [link](#) to the book. This was recommended at the meeting.
  - We didn't review these topics, but here are resources for reconciling registration, immunization requirements, undocumented, and McKinney-Vento enrollment expectations ([overview](#) and [slides](#))
- **Roundtable**
  - Refusals
    - Now parents are starting to "refuse" other things, such as finals and presentations, suggesting that a cultural shift is extending beyond 3-8 tests
    - Is there anything we can do, together? Note: this will be a meeting topic in the fall
- **Planning for next year**
  - Frequency: Same as this year
  - Time: Same as this year
  - Location: BOCES will be booked for meetings, but open to a volunteer school site
  - Topic ideas?
    - Mental Health
    - Science
    - Legal Updates
    - Providing Parents Reliable and Dependable information
      - Written
      - In person at events
      - Social media

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- Educating educators

**Future meetings (and locations)**

- October 4, 2016, 9a, OCM BOCES Main Campus 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor Skaneateles Conference Room
- December 8, 2016, 9a, OCM BOCES Main Campus 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor Skaneateles Conference Room
- February 7, 2017, 9a, OCM BOCES Main Campus 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor Owasco Conference Room
- April 11, 2017, 9a, OCM BOCES Main Campus 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor Skaneateles Conference Room
- May 31, 2017, 9a, OCM BOCES Main Campus 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor Skaneateles Conference Room

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