

## Family Engagement Team Minutes



## TUCSON HIGH MAGNET SCHOOL

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**Date:** Monday, March 9, 2026, at 3:30 PM

**Members Present:** Gabriel Wong, April Armstrong, Lorena Salcido, Vanessa Esparza, Jordan H., and Gabriel H.

**Not Present:** Gabriela Torres Luna, Joshua C., and Victoria R.

**Call to Order:** Start of meeting at 3:41 PM

**Opening:** Introduced new members, and each member shared a little about themselves.

### Key Discussion Points

**Family Engagement Transition:** Introduced April Armstrong as new Family Engagement Point of Contact and described her role as lead to the team. Lorena Salcido will be departing from THMS.

### Focus Group Results

- **Bringing back “Cafecitos”:** April Armstrong discussed the possibility of reintroducing “cafecitos” when the new principal begins at THMS as an opportunity to help connect her with families. One suggestion was to host an introduction or meet-and-greet during summer events, so parents and students have a chance to meet the new principal.
- **Sport Tryout Parental Complaint Discussion:** A parent shared a concern that many families are not aware of sports tryout dates. During the discussion, students and parents noted that tryout information is often shared mainly through word of mouth. Several ideas were suggested to improve communication: creating one official school social media account where updates can be posted for all families, requiring all clubs (not only those requesting funding) to follow the “Club Congress” protocols so families stay informed, and providing a list of all sports tryout dates for the school year during student registration so that every student has equal access to this information.

### Curriculum-Focused Event Planning

A.) April Armstrong pitched a Math/Science combined night and a separate Social Studies/English night. Planning scheduled for the next Family Engagement meeting.

### Closing & Summary (Meeting dismissed at 4:05 PM)

- Lorena Salcido summarized agenda items and wished THMS community the best.