



MSC School Leadership Team FAQs

<http://www.ps333.org/school-leadership-team/>

What is the SLT? The School Leadership Team (SLT) is a **joint team** of teachers, parents, school staff, and the Principal that is mandated by the Chancellor's Regulation A-655, so *all public schools have an SLT*. The SLT plays a significant role in creating a structure for school-based decision making around educational policies and shaping the path to a collaborative school culture. The SLT contributes to the development of the Comprehensive Educational Plan (CEP) and assists in the evaluation of the CEP.

SLT members can solicit input from various constituencies in order to ensure that all voices are heard regarding the needs of students. *The SLT is not involved in the day-to-day operations of the school; rather, they collaborate on issues related to the school's education plan.*

Who is on the SLT? MSC's School Leadership Team (SLT) is comprised of 10 members of the school community: 4 teachers (including the UFT chapter leader); 4 parents (elected to represent K-2, 3-5, 6-8, and one at-large); the school principal and the PTA co-presidents (representing a single voting member)

SLT elections (for parent seats) are held each spring to coincide with Parent Association (PA) elections. Any parent with a child enrolled in K-7th grade can run for the SLT.

Current SLT members for 2016/2017

Name	Representation
Claire Lowenstein	Principle
Brad Rothschild/Lisa Giella-Putignano	Co-PA Presidents
Stephanie Douglas	UFT rep/Teacher
Jessica Han	Teacher
Elizabeth Rivera	Teacher
Nicole Peters	Teacher
Arelis Figueroa	Parent/K – 2 nd grade
Liz McGrath	Parent/3 – 5 th grade
Susan Gargiulo	Parent rep/6 – 8 th grade
Kavita Singh Gilchrist	Parent rep – All Grades

When does the SLT meet? The MSC SLT meets once each month (September through June,) from 3:15pm to 4:45pm in room 519.

The meetings for the 2016-17 year are:

September 14, October 5, November 9, December 7, January 4, February 1, March 1, April 5, May 3, and June 7.

Can I observe the meetings? Meetings are able to be observed by any member of the MSC community (parents, teachers, staff) but only elected SLT members can participate and vote on SLT issues. According to the bylaws of the SLT, non-members cannot participate or speak during the meeting unless recognized by the Chair prior to speaking. Non-members that wish to raise an item to the SLT should bring the issue description to a team member first (eg, their constituent representative) who can request that it be added to a future agenda.

How can I get in touch with the SLT (School Leadership Team)? You may email comments, questions or concerns to MSCSchoolLeadershipTeam@gmail.com

How can I learn about what was covered at each month's meeting or what will be covered at an upcoming meeting? Each month, the Meeting Minutes are posted online here: <http://www.ps333.org/school-leadership-team/> and are distributed via email to the MSC Community.

What did the SLT accomplish in 2015-16 school year?

- Reviewed, assessed and updated the 2015-2016 as well as the 2016-2017 Comprehensive Education Plan.
- Planned, organized and delivered these events:
 - MSC School Partnerships Mixer – open house for families to meet partners that deliver programs with our students. Attendees included: Wellness in the Schools, MSC's music program, Teacher's College Reading and Writing project, Arts program, NY Sunworks, Lincoln Center Institute
 - Curriculum Workshop Night – 7 workshops were delivered by MSC teachers to help parents better understand the curriculum across K – 8th grades (math, reading levels, iLearn, student-centered portfolios)
 - DOE 2016 School Survey
 - Curriculum Workshop Night online survey
 - Parenting strategies workshop by Shelly McDonald.
 - Collaborated with the PA on:
 - Welcome to MSC event (for new, incoming families)
 - Staff Appreciation Day