
Board Report

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Status Updates/Progress Toward School Improvement Goals:

Our Data Story: Student Learning

- Currently reviewing **IA Assessment** results for 2015-16, Grades 2-12.
- Still seeking access to **TIER (K-3 FAST)** data in Iowa Portal, with Kim Payne assisting.
- Currently reviewing print reports from **Assessment Solution**. Marian Godwin has been asked to provide further problem-solving assistance for shared access to Glenwood's Assessment Solution dropbox.

Professional Development

July Professional Development for Teacher Leaders:

- July 26-27: Kari Thierer (School Reform Initiative) provided PLC Facilitator training for "new" facilitators. Time to plan their first two PLC sessions was provided. 7 out of 8 new facilitators attended, as well as Sherry Herron. Facilitator feedback was very positive.
- July 28: Kari Thierer provided an opportunity to "returning facilitators" to revisit facilitation protocols, problem-solve specific PLC concerns, and plan their first two PLC sessions. 6 out of 11 returning facilitators attended. Facilitator feedback was very positive.
- All facilitators will have the opportunity to participate in quarterly webinar support with Kari Thierer. Facilitators voiced their appreciation for this ongoing collaboration and support.

Curriculum Work

- Currently orienting myself to the status of the work within each SAC team.
 - SAC and CCC Team dates have been set for the year.
 - Team work will resume in September, and will follow our [Long Range Plan](#), with support from Rhonda Renfro and Curriculum Leadership Institute.
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Assessment, Grading, and Report Cards

Upcoming:

- On August 16-17 Tammy Heflebower, from Marzano Research, will provide 6-12 teachers and K-12 specials teachers with PD support in the areas of assessment development, rubric-based evaluation of students' work, and standards-based grading. This will extend previous work that the district has done in these areas.
- These SAC Teams will focus on developing and/or validating Common Outcome Assessments this year, with guidance and training provided by CLI:
 - ELA
 - Ag/Industrial Arts
 - FCS/Health/PE

Teacher Leadership Compensation Grant

- Currently in the process of scheduling focused conversations with each teacher leader group:
 - PLC Facilitators (July 26-28)
 - Instructional Coaches (August 11)
 - Journey to Excellence Mentors (TBD)
 - Master Classroom Teachers (TBD)
 - Technology Integration Teachers (TBD)
- I will request conversations with the eight PLC Facilitators who are not returning to that role this year and ask, "Would your decision about returning as a facilitator have been different if you had been supported differently, or if your teaching role had not changed? What would some of those supports have been?"
- A goal for this year will be to spotlight and elevate the Master Classroom Teacher and the Technology Integration Teacher roles in 2016-17
- Currently locating 2015-16 TLC survey and evaluation data for review

New Business: 2016-17 Accreditation Work

- Iowa's [Differentiated Accountability System](#) will go into effect this year and replace "Site Visit" processes of the past.
- The required [Desk Audit](#) process will be completed this fall. All schools will submit desk audits to the Iowa Department of Education. Please note IASB guidance regarding Board policies in the link.
- Preparation for any additional Targeted or Intensive supports from the Department will be completed, as scheduled for our district. Stay tuned for updated information in next month's Board Report.