



GREENFIELD PUBLIC SCHOOLS

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To: Dr. Christine DeBarge, Superintendent

From: Karin E. Patenaude, Assistant Superintendent of Teaching and Learning

Date: January 11, 2023

RE: Assistant Superintendent Update

1. DESE HQIM Professional Learning Network - HS Math:

The high school continues to engage with the DESE Evaluating and Selecting High Quality Math Curriculum Materials Professional Learning Network. There was an Investigate and Select meeting held today with the GHS team members. The team will be presenting this information to any interested stakeholder at tomorrow’s GHS School Council Meeting at 5:30 pm at GHS in the main office conference room. We continue to review curriculum resource options that align with the district’s parameters and priorities and will be determining field testing options by the end of the month.

2. Professional Development

The district will be hosting a districtwide staff professional development day on Friday, January 27, 2023. We will continue to offer support in the implementation of our new ELA and math curriculum resources as well as content-specific workshops. The district will also be providing a full-day of CPI training to some of our newly hired staff.

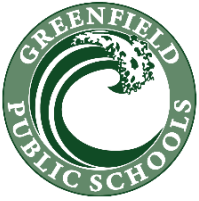
3. Library News

The weeding of library materials at the Academy of Early Learning continues. We will be meeting with the teachers of AEL at their next faculty meeting on Jan. 18th to determine next steps on improving the collection of books and resources that are accessible to our teachers and students.

4. Grants:

Title I/IIA/IV: The district is undergoing the ESSA 6-year Monitoring Process. This process is a regular, systematic examination of the school district’s administration and implementation of Title I, IIA and IV grant programs. All documentation is due to the federal government on January 20, 2023. Once all documentation has been submitted and reviewed, the school district receives a report of the evaluation and findings.

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Civics Grant: The high school will be hosting the Youth Engage with Legislators and Officials (YELO) conference on January 26, 2023. The Civics grant will be supporting this activity as our youth display their civic engagement skills firsthand.

5. Upcoming Title I Family Engagement Activities

Title I will be sponsoring the elementary schools’ Bingo for Books night on Wednesday, January 18 from 5:30 -6:30 pm. Students and families are encouraged to attend this night promoting literacy and all students will receive a book as well as a bookmark. If any family needs transportation, please contact their child’s Principal this week and we will set up transportation so they can attend this fun evening.

6. December Break Title I Reading and Math Challenge

Title I sponsored a reading and math challenge for grades K-7 over December break. Students were provided with a bingo sheet of activities to complete in either reading or math or both and submitted the sheet for a prize upon return to school in January. Then, any student who submitted a bingo sheet was entered into a grade-level drawing for either a gift card to Greenfield Games or World Eye Bookshop. The district had great participation in this event and looks forward to sponsoring more events such as these for February and April vacations to keep our students actively engaged in learning.

Please enjoy the winners’ circle from Federal Street Elementary School:



Thank you,

Karin E. Patenaude, Assistant Superintendent

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