



## GREENFIELD PUBLIC SCHOOLS

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To: Dr. Christine DeBarge, Superintendent

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

Date: July 12, 2024

RE: Assistant Superintendent Update

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### 1. Curriculum Updates

#### A. GHS:

Math: The high school math department will fully implement Illustrative Math for Math 8, Algebra 1, Algebra 2, and Geometry in the Fall. PD is being confirmed for the year to support the staff in the skillful use of the curriculum resources.

History: The high school continues to actively engage students in the Civics curriculum that includes students completing a civics project in grade 8 as well as at some point in grades 9-12.

#### B. GMS:

History: The middle school will roll out DESE's Investigating History modules in grades 5-7 beginning in the Fall. We have partnered with EduCurious to provide the professional development on this work through a grant with DESE. Investigating History units are high-quality, standards-aligned curriculum materials that guide students to make informed civic choices and identify their role in strengthening equality, justice and liberty in the world.

#### C. Elementary Schools:

Math: The elementary schools will adopt and implement Eureka Math Squared in the Fall. This is the new and improved version of the math curriculum that is currently in use.

#### D. Districtwide

Math: All schools K-12 will have access in the 2023-24 school year to Imagine Math, an acceleration and intervention math program. This program aligns with both

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Eureka Math and Illustrative Math and provides skills-based interventions or acceleration to all students in real time.

### 2. **Grants:**

**FC589 Civics Grant:** The district applied for funding to continue to support opportunities for our students to engage in culturally relevant civic learning. The high school history department looks forward to using these funds to engage students in more civic experiences at the local and state levels, with potential field trips to the State House and Freedom Trail in Boston.

**FC653 Investigating History:** The district applied for funding to support the skillful use and implementation of DESE Investigating History curriculum resources in grades 5-7. These funds will support the professional development and professional learning communities for teachers throughout the whole school year.

**FC164:** The district applied for funding to support the purchase of HQIM Illustrative Math materials at the high school as well as year long professional development for teachers.

**FC185:** The district applied for funding to continue to support professional development for all staff in high-impact instructional strategies directly aligned with the implementation of CKLA/Amplify curriculum resources.

### 4. **Summer School Update**

Title I and special education worked cooperatively to create an inclusionary summer school program for students districtwide. The program had a successful start on July 5 and we are servicing over 150 students to date.

Thank you,

Karin E. Patenaude, Assistant Superintendent

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