

Curriculum & Instruction Board Report

May 2019

State Assessments

Since our last board meeting, we have completed our TELPAS testing, STAAR Alt 2 testing and all of High School EOC testing. The week of May 13th - 17th we will complete all of 3rd grade through 8th grade STAAR testing.

The first round of 5th and 8th STAAR reading and math results have arrived. We have both 5th and 8th graders that will need to retest on the STAAR reading and/or math, however the number of students needing to re-test is lower than in the previous 4 years. These students will retest on May 13th and 14th. The remaining test results should arrive by the end of May.

Our campus test coordinators are to be commended for a great job in preparing, training staff, and organizing these assessments. It is a huge undertaking each year.

NWEA

The spring universal screening for reading, math, and language usage utilizing NWEA MAP (Northwest Education Association Measure of Academic Progress) has begun for kindergarten-8th grade campuses. The detail-rich data from these screenings will be reviewed by campus and district personnel to monitor student growth in reading and math, evaluate instructional programs, and help plan instruction for the 2019-2020 school year.

DEIC

DEIC met on May 6th for the final time this year. Committee members reviewed, discussed, and evaluated the District Improvement Plan, and the District Parent & Family Engagement Plan. The committee agreed that all areas of the Parent and Family Engagement Plan were implemented this school year and that as a District we had met all target areas on the District Improvement Plan.

SHAC

The School Health Advisory Committee met on Monday, May 6th and are in the process of finalizing plans for this year's Good to Go From Head to Toe. The 5th annual event will be held on August 3rd this summer at the Junior High.

Design Teams

Campus Design Teams met recently with Nancy Rindone to reflect on the work done by the team this school year. Plans were made for next year and include Nancy Rindone spending time on each campus to support the unpacking of standards and the subsequent design of engaging work across the district.

ELAR Adoption

Kindergarten through 8th grade ELAR teachers met after school on Wednesday, May 8th to begin learning about the new Houghton Mifflin Harcourt robust ELAR instructional resources we have adopted. Teachers began exploring the high quality materials that will give our students the opportunities to develop into strong readers, writers, and communicators.

Innovative Showcase at Texas Tech

On Wednesday, May 15, Mrs. Boyd, Mrs. Bowman, and Mrs. Darden will be attending the Curriculum and Instruction Innovation Showcase at Texas Tech. This HISD team was invited to

learn about Blended and Personalized Learning programs, as well as STEM, Literacy/Reading Data Driven Instruction, and dual credit options.

Administrative Retreat

Members of HISD district and campus leadership teams will attend The RRR Leadership Conference, June 4 - 6, Cypress Fairbanks ISD, Houston, Texas. This three-day conference focuses on rigor, relevance, and relationships, which connects to our district focus on Choose Love. The retreat will be an opportunity for the attending team to learn and plan together.

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