

TO: Dr. Gearl Loden

FROM: Leigh B. Mobley

DATE: April 7, 2014

RE: 2014 Summer Curriculum Project

I would like to request permission to employ up to 40 district teachers for work on the 2014 Summer Curriculum Project.

The 2014 Summer Curriculum Project details and logistics are as follows:

Summer Project Orientation/Training: June 9 8:00 AM

Summer Curriculum Development Project: June 9- June 27

Project Goals:

- 1. Pacing of Common Core State Standrds in ELA and Math
- 2. Complete Unit Headers with Performance Tasks during specified weeks for summer work for K-2 and 3-6 in ELA.
- 3. Develop ELA weekly plans for Unit 1 (daily plans) as an example for teachers when school starts. Teachers will use these plans for Unit 1. This will be continued in DFG meetings. Teachers from this team will go back into their buildings to plan with their grade level.
- 4. Bell ringers will be written to go with the weekly plans, one for each day. Unit 1 will only be done during the summer work. Examples for differentiation will be provided.
- 5. Reading Street Assessments will be reworked according to standard. Each unit will contain one end performance task and two summative assessments. These will be developed as part of summer work.
- 6. Included in pacing will be correlations with Arts activities and Classworks units and activities.

Organization:

- Curriculum teams will be organized by grade level and content areas. Each team
 will be responsible for producing or revising curriculum documents to accomplish
 project goals. These include pacing guides and curriculum guides where
 warranted.
- Work will be facilitated by members of the Office of Curriculum and Instruction working as project leads.
- An online learning management system, Haiku, will be used to provide resources to support curriculum teams and the achievement of project goals, and to collect and organize the work.

Positions:

- Project Leads- Curriculum Specialists from the Office of Curriculum and Instruction will provide training and support for curriculum teams, set goals, monitor progress, and address emergent questions, concerns, or needs.
- Curriculum Team Writers- Teachers with content and curriculum expertise in an assigned area will undergo training, participate in curriculum teams, work to complete project tasks as assigned by Curriculum Team Leaders, including the development and/or revision of pacing guides to meet district goals.
 Up to 40 certified staff

Application Process:

• **Curriculum Team Writers** will be chosen by application. Principals will encourage all teachers who wish to work to apply. The Office of Curriculum and Instruction will coordinate the application process.

Schedule of work:

• June 9-27, 8:00 AM-4:30 PM: Curriculum Document Development/Revision Curriculum teams will be broken into smaller groups based on content areas. Each of the 40 chosen team members will work a maximum of 40 hours. Hours of work will be set by the Office of Curriculum and Instruction and communicated to the appropriate team members.

Hours of work: 40 per Curriculum Team Writer

Proposed Site for Summer Work:	Church Street School
Estimated Costs Staff 	\$ 38,400.00
TOTAL	\$ 38,400.00

Respectfully Submitted:

Leigh B. Mobley, Director