Curriculum Director Board Report

September 23, 2019

Science Test Changes

The Science test is changing for this year. The reason for this is the Illinois test does not meet the Federal Government's requirements. ISBE is in the process of going through bids to determine who will be the new vendor for the test. It will be a longer test for grades 5th, 8th and 11th. It is now all 11th graders that have to take the test, before it was biology students that took the test. A concern is we have 37 out of 92 Juniors that are not taking a science class. They will be tested. See the link for additional information on these changes.

September 11th School Improvement Day

Kathy Alt came and did a presentation on student engagement. It was very good, and teachers began implementing some of those strategies the next day. In addition John McQuillan did a presentation on wellness and stress relief. Thank you to Mr. Bauer for arranging these speakers.

Testing Data

I met with the High School English and Math teams to go over the College Board website where and showed them the different reports that are available. There is a lot of valuable data on this site, that hopefully the teachers can use to help students perform better on SAT/PSAT.

I have begun meeting with the administrator and teachers to go over the state testing data.