

# WSD Curriculum Committee



February 18, 2021:
Moving Forward: Resources for Learning,
Grade 6 Instructional Program, & ESSER II Funding

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#### Overview

- Superintendent's Report (anticipated 5 mins.)
- Use of Resources for Learning Analyzing Assessment Data
- Discussion by Board Members (anticipated 30 mins.)
- Grade 6 Instructional Program
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- ESSER II Funding
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Use of Resources for Learning - Analyzing Assessment Data

### Resources for Learning

Topic	Key Question(s)
Use of Lexia & Symphony Math as resources for learning	<ul> <li>What do assessments administered through these resources reveal about our students' achievement and growth?</li> <li>What is the potential of these resources for our programs moving forward?</li> </ul>

#### Four Assessment Instruments Analyzed

- Literacy
  - STAR Reading
  - Lexia
- Mathematics
  - STAR Math
  - Symphony Math

#### Teacher Use of Assessment Instruments

- Review data regularly: usage, progress towards goal, areas of need
- Utilize data as one measure to track student progress
- Provide student support for any areas of need
- Encourage and support regular usage by all students of Lexia &
   Symphony Math

#### STAR Reading: Overall Data by Grade Level

Grade	below 25th Percentile	25th - 49th Percentile	50th to 74th Percentile	75th and above
2	13%	13%	23%	51%
3	20%	13%	21%	46%
4	6%	22%	28%	45%
5	9%	21%	24%	45%
6	12%	17%	36%	36%

#### Lexia: Overall Data by Grade Level

#### Students by Grade Level of Material (GLM) from Sep 1, 2020-Feb 12, 2021



625 Students | 7% moved into In or Above GLM

#### **Grade Progress Data**

Grade	Students	Start Below	%	Start	%	Start Above	%	Current Below	%	Current	%	Current Above	%	Movement into In/Above %	Met Usage %
Kindergarten	85	7	8	75	88	3	4	3	4	75	88	7	8	4	68
1st Grade	97	32	33	60	62	5	5	18	19	61	63	18	19	15	70
2nd Grade	99	39	39	58	59	2	2	32	32	61	62	6	6	7	58
3rd Grade	122	82	67	39	32	1	1	72	59	37	30	13	11	8	48
4th Grade	116	72	62	44	38			68	59	38	33	10	9	4	37
5th Grade	94	48	51	46	49			46	49	45	48	3	3	2	52

#### Literacy: Tentative Conclusions, & Next Steps

- Student literacy growth over time is demonstrated
- Administrators will work with PLC teams to discuss curriculum alignment and potential adjustments
- Administrators will work with PLC teams & interventionists to discuss intervention support strategies
- Administrators will triangulate data analysis in preparation for needs assessment linked to ESSER II grant application

### STAR Math: Overall Data by Grade Level

Grade	below 25th Percentile	25th - 49th Percentile	50th to 74th Percentile	75th and above
1	5%	15%	23%	56%
2	11%	22%	16%	51%
3	16%	18%	16%	50%
4	8%	15%	34%	43%
5	8%	12%	22%	57%
6	8%	14%	30%	47%

### Symphony Math: Overall Data by Grade Level

	Active Students	Average Days	Average Total Time	Good Use Last Week	Good Use This Week
All Grades	697	10	3 hrs. 3 mins.	15%	15%
Grade 4	120	18	5 hrs. 41 mins.	17%	39%

### Symphony Math: Overall Data by Grade Level

	Below Grade Level	On Grade Level	Above Grade Level	Needs Help
Grade 4	55%	34%	11%	8%

#### Math: Tentative Conclusions, & Next Steps

- STAR Math is a more reliable & aligned assessment for WSD, compared to Symphony
   Math
- Administrators will work with PLC teams to discuss curriculum alignment and potential adjustments
- Administrators will work with PLC teams & interventionists to discuss intervention support strategies
- Administrators will triangulate data analysis in preparation for needs assessment linked to ESSER II grant application

### Grade 6 Instructional Program

# Potential Shift to Departmentalization for 2021-22: Advantages

- It will allow grade 6 students to transition from the self-contained model of grade 5 to what will be fuller departmentalization in grade 7.
- It will allow grade 6 teachers to develop deeper subject-specific and instructional expertise in math, science, and/or social studies, which is supported by the Standards of those subject areas.

## Potential Shift to Departmentalization for 2021-22: Key Elements

- Each grade 6 teacher would teach English Language Arts to his/her homeroom,
   and then 3 sections of either math, science, or social studies.
- Administrative assignment of teachers to math, science, or social studies would be based on conversations with teachers to assess interest and skill.
- Each teacher would receive professional development based on identified needs.

## Potential Shift to Departmentalization for 2021-22: Potential Schedule

Time	Focus	Notes
8:30-10:00	English Language Arts	Pull-out special education intervention services would occur 9:30-10:00
10:00-11:00	Specials	6-day rotation
11:05-11:55	Block 1	one of: Math, Science, Social Studies
12:00-12:30	Lunch	
12:30-12:50	Recess	
12:55-1:45	Block 2	another of: Math, Science, Social Studies
1:50-2:40	Block 3	another of: Math, Science, Social Studies
2:40-3:10	Academic Success	(see next slide)

### Potential Shift to Departmentalization for 2021-22: More Potential Schedule Details

Time	Focus	Notes
2:40-3:10	Academic Success	Opportunities for:      Band     TAG     Additional enrichment     Additional intervention     Student choice     Project-based learning     Supporting students with organizational and executive functioning

<sup>\*</sup> Additional minutes (~15 mins. daily) for math learning will be integrated by the homeroom teacher.

<sup>\*\*</sup> Flexibility in the lengths of blocks could be achieved by the team of teachers to support key instructional objectives.

# Additional Grade 6 Program Option for 2021-22: Grade 6 Pre-Algebra

- Appropriate for students with age-advanced abstract cognitive skills
- Alignment with many other DRG A & B districts
- Potential collaboration with other districts
- Can be supported through appropriate professional development,
   curriculum development, resources, & collaborative conversations

### **ESSER II Funding**

#### **Basic Elements**

- Based on district-developed and CSDE-approved needs assessment & resources requested to meet those needs
- "Rescue and recovery"
- "Supplement, not supplant"

#### General Teaching & Learning Possibilities

- "Addressing learning loss among students"
  - Summer and/or after-school learning programs, perhaps in collaboration with others
- "Providing technology for online learning to all students"
  - Moving Grades K-1 to 1-to-1 devices
- "Providing . . . the resources necessary to address the needs of . . .
  - individual schools"
    - Outdoor education enhancement