

Director of Curriculum and Instruction Monthly Report

July 3, 2018

Purpose

The purpose of this report is to provide regular updates to the Education Committee regarding teaching and learning. For July, the foci are 1) to learn more about the new Director of Curriculum and Instruction; and 2) understand the entry plan.

Introduction

Gail M. Netland, Director of Curriculum and Instruction

- Coming to Duluth from Red Lake Public Schools
 - Curriculum Coordinator, Reading Specialist, English Dept. Chair
- Solution-focused, systems thinker
- StrengthsFinder Top 5
 - Arranger
 - Connectedness
 - Developer
 - Learner
 - Strategic
- Passionate about literacy and equity for all
 - Masters in Literacy Education from Hamline University
 - Experience in AmeriCorps*VISTA and Minnesota Reading Corps.
- Outdoors Enthusiast
 - Love to hike, camp, and kayak

First Month Plan

Learn how I can best support continued progress in teaching and learning via:

- Observing and learning Duluth Public Schools' vision, values, systems, structures and norms
- Meeting with staff to build relationships and gain history
- Reviewing current policies, procedures, and plans
- Beginning to identify priorities and next steps