

THE LAKE AND PENINSULA School District

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Date: February 2, 2021To: LPSD School Board MembersFrom: Bill Cornell- Curriculum DirectorRe: February Curriculum Report

Professional Development

<u>Monday Noon Starts</u>- We utilized our Noon-Starts in January to kickstart our math curriculum for folks who are choosing to dive into it this spring. We held an Everyday Math (Levels 0-5 Math) session on January 18, and a Reveal Math (Levels 6-10) session on January 25. We will have further professional development with our math curriculum at August Inservice.

In addition to working with our new math curriculum, we held sessions on ClassLink (our new single sign on software), and our online End of Level Assessments that we are implementing this spring.

<u>Tutor and Student Teacher Training</u>- Kasie, Moon, and I were able to meet with our new on-site tutors and student teachers on January 20, for a two-hour crash course on living and working in LPSD. A twohour Zoom session will never be the same as charging through the aisles at Fred Meyer, but it was nice to be able to meet with everyone.

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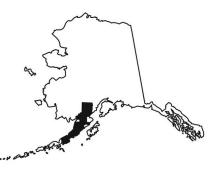
Math Curriculum- As mentioned above, we managed to pull off purchasing and receiving our new math curriculum. Material is onsite, and some teachers are choosing to dive in. We are utilizing this new curriculum with Distance Classes this spring.

Online End of Level Assessments- These are finally off the ground, allowing our End of Level Assessments to be web-based and housed in PowerSchool. This will provide us with a lot of flexibility in being able to update assessments, create additional assessments, and better track student movement through levels. Writing is being rolled out in February; Reading in March; and Math in April. This staggered rollout will allow us to work through any glitches that might come up. A huge "Thank You!" to Matthew Stark, Jim Dube, Sara Erikson, and Hannah Middleton for all of the effort they have put into these!



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Distance Classes

I was able to meet with Ms. Nikolaus and Mr. Meneskie this week to discuss the outlook of the Spring Semester. With us shifting away from Noon Starts throughout the District, we are shifting back to having synchronous Distance class five-days per week. This will allow for more instructional time, and for us to push hard to the end of the year.

In closing, I did want to recognize the Board...February is School Board Appreciation Month, and I have to say, it is pretty amazing what we have been able to pull off this year instructionally. Your guidance, insight, and willingness to work through what are, at times, difficult conversations, has allowed us to continue to teach our students, in person no less, for the majority of the year! Thank you for your leadership!!

As always, feel free to contact me at 571-1211, or via email at <u>bcornell@lpsd.com</u>, if you have any curriculum related questions.