

December 2024 Curriculum Report

To: LPSD School Board Members and Superintendent Kasie Luke

From: Nicole Metzgar, Curriculum Director

LPSD Professional Development

January 8-10: Tutor & Student Teacher January Induction planning has begun. Mr. Cornell has found LPSD some amazing folks to work in our schools during the Spring semester. We look forward to welcoming and supporting them into our school district.

January 24 & 27: Conversations about these inservice days are ongoing. A final decision will be made soon.

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IXL Math Licenses: District wide, LPSD teachers have requested math IXL for students in grades 6-12. Access to this math intervention and enrichment is a way for students to practice specific standards they need more repetition and immediate feedback on to master. With an internet connection, the IXL app can be downloaded to personal iphones and ipads for students to work on math, reading and writing standards all year long.

AK History, Social Studies LV 8: A google site was created that compiled updated materials and activities to teach this class in an easier way. AK History curriculum and teacher created activities were scattered through google docs on different google drives and in long lists on the wiki. I could easily spend hours clicking around searching different folders in different sites to try to find what I was looking for. This semester, I have been compiling and updating materials and activities into one google site to help teachers save prep time when they teach this class. It is a state required class for Alaska students to graduate. Most sites will be teaching it next semester.

Wiki: The IT department has begun to upload resources teachers would like to share with each other. LPSD looks forward to watching the new technology standards and Place-Based Education sections grow.

AI: Here are links to AI generated Back to School Place-Based projects to give you an idea of what AI can produce in a few seconds. High School Project [Link](#); 6th-9th grade Project [Link](#); 3rd-5th grade Project [Link](#); K-2 grade Project [Link](#). Teachers are encouraged to sign up for Jeff Utecht and Tricia Friedman's AI Spring Webinars with asdn.org to learn more about working with AI.

PowerSchool Data Accessibility and School Schedules: We are discussing ways to give teachers the information they need to begin the school year in a good way. We would also like to figure out a way to have student and school schedules be easier to implement for new staff in the beginning of the school year. This continues to be difficult for our organization to do, and we would like to be able to do it better.

End of Level Assessment Edits: Edits reported by teachers during the 2023-2024 school year are in progress. Three edits remain.

BBRCTE in LPSD: From October 20th-26th, LPSD had 16 students successfully participate in BBRCTE's Intensive Week 2. Congratulations to all the students who are taking advantage of this learning opportunity. 25 LPSD students from each of our schools, including the Lake View Home School, have earned 17 Elective CTE credits so far this school year.

Advanced Online Classes: One student has applied to take 2 advanced spring semester classes. LPSD continues to offer financial assistance and reimbursement for students to access this learning opportunity.

Experiencing Out: So far this year, three students have earned 5.0 high school credits with LPSD's Experiencing Out opportunity.

It is a pleasure to serve the district. Please reach out as questions arise. Quayana. Chin'an.
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This summer I became a Godmother for the very first time. Here is a picture of me in New Orleans meeting my new niece and Goddaughter, Louise. She is a happy baby.

