

Director of Curriculum and Instruction Monthly Report

December 2018

Purpose

The purpose of this report is to provide regular updates to the Education Committee regarding teaching and learning.

Updates

Staff Development

- Minnesota Department of Education Regional [PreK-3 Leadership Workshop](#)
 - Team of 5 district leaders participated in first of 3 days
 - Focused on aligned systems for improved outcomes
- Science Standards Regional Draft Review Event at Piedmont Elementary
 - Provided opportunity to ask questions and provide input in [science standards](#) revision work at the state level

Course Catalog and Registration

- [2019-2020 Course Catalog](#)
 - New features
 - Catalog and Supplement Combined
 - Course Key Developed
 - Online Courses Included
 - Information will be available on the district website and the middle and high school webpages.
 - [Revised Suggested 2019-20 Course Changes](#)

Curriculum

- Secondary ELA Text Adoption Update
 - Texts Under Consideration for 9th Grade (listed alphabetically)
 - [Children of Blood and Bone](#) by Tomi Adeyemi
 - [Mean Spirit: A Novel](#) by Linda Hogan
 - [Spirit Car: Journey to a Dakota Past](#) by Diane Wilson
 - Sample texts available for review
 - Reading in progress: gathering input from content area teachers, community reps, students reps, and parent reps
 - Decision Date Goal: **January 2019.**