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TO: Members, Board of Education
Dr. Carol Kelley, Superintendent

FROM: Dr. Carrie Kamm, Director of Curriculum and Instruction

RE: K-5 Math Curriculum Program Recommendation

The K-5 Math Curriculum Review Team convened on November 11, 2015. The team's charge was to review four K-5 math curriculum programs (Everyday Math-CCSS Edition, My Math, Math Trailblazers, and Eureka Math) using the Math Instructional Materials Evaluation Tool (I-MET). The I-MET tool was developed by Student Achievement Partners and is designed to help educators determine whether instructional materials are aligned to the Common Core Math Standards instructional shifts and major features. A copy of the I-MET tool and grade-level I-MET tool summaries are attached for your review.

Using a Consensus Based Decision-Making Process (School Reform Initiative-see attached document), the team came to consensus on recommending Eureka Math for adoption for grades kindergarten through 5th grade. The following Eureka Math features were named as positive features of the program: The high level of focus, coherence, and alignment to the Common Core Math Standards, the rigor and specificity of lessons, the availability of on-demand video demonstrations of lessons, and the prioritization of the major work of each grade. The team recommended that the district invest in initial and ongoing professional learning, leverage the expertise of teachers who are familiar with the Engage NY math program (Eureka Math is based on Engage NY), and support teachers (via professional learning and resources) as they work to differentiate math instruction.

At this time, we are working with Eureka Math to determine a quote for Teacher Editions, grade-level team access per school of the online program Navigator, and student workbooks. We are also working with principals to identify teachers who are able to participate in summer professional learning.

After reviewing the team's submitted documentation and participating in their consensus process, I support the team's recommendation. Thank you for considering the team's recommendation.

Sincerely,

Dr. Carrie Kamm