

Curriculum Director Report

COVID Rapid Testing

As of Wednesday we are now waiting for IDPH to approve our registration for the reporting system. Once that is done, we will be able to order tests. So we are getting real close to this.

Covid Vaccine

We had 72 staff members get their first Covid Vaccine shot on February 13th. Due to weather this was done at Pana High School. It went very well. The 2nd dose will be given on March 13th.

State Testing

ISBE did announce they are asking the Federal Government to waive testing for this year. Over 600 Superintendents have also signed a letter urging the Federal Government to waive the testing requirement. Still no word from the Federal Government.

Transitional Math

We have turned everything in to Lakeland to review. Thank you to Ms. Whalen and Mrs. Maxwell for their work on this.

New Curriculum Standards

Last month I shared the curriculum changes. This was the main topic at the ROE Curriculum Meeting. ISBE is working on putting together new standards and materials for the computer literacy learning standards that go into place next year at all grade levels. We shouldn't have to make any major changes for next year, and should be able to cover these standards in multiple classes. We will have to add a computer class at the high school level for the 2022-23 school year. The other big issue is the 2 year requirement for foreign languages. There is already a shortage of foreign language teachers. Standards are also being developed for the new social studies requirements.