Board Update 5.3.19 General Education

May brings a shift to our work as our local districts are busy with M-STEP and NWEA assessments. While we try to avoid offering too much professional learning during this time, we do have plans for one more early literacy session with Title I teachers and we are also offering Math Recovery. Math Recovery course AVMR 1 will take place on May 7, 8, 28, and 29. This training will be entirely funded by MiSTEM grant dollars.

Next Generation Science Exemplar (NGSx) training continues. Sessions 4 and 5 will take place on May 14 and 21. This training is being provided by Chris Standerford and Kim Smith of NMU's Seaborg Center and is covered by MiSTEM 906C funding.

Tara has been meeting with individual districts' administration teams to discuss student growth for educator evaluation. These conversations have helped alleviate some misconceptions around local vs. state data, etc. and have been very valuable. Tara is also working with Traverse Bay Area ISD to ensure that our scoring will be set up to reflect the rollback to 25% for student growth.