

Mahtomedi Public Schools
Independent School District #832
1520 Mahtomedi Avenue
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Regular Meeting - Board of Education

Date: November 12, 2015

Agenda Item #9. B.

TOPIC: World Language Update

BACKGROUND: We completed the World Language Review last year and during the review the team researched best practices and different strategies to teach a language. Darcy Rogers, OWL founder, (Organic World Language) presented information on how to use the OWLS methodology in your classroom. The number one focus in the OWL Methodology is community-building, and they do this through play, humor, compassion, and warm demanding. They strive to build healthy, and positive relationships with the students so that the language acquisition process can be a safe and empowering one.

PURPOSE OF PRESENTATION: The purpose of this presentation is to provide the Board and community with an overview of how you can use the OWL Methodology in the classroom to teach a language.

LEARNING OBJECTIVE: As a result of this presentation, the Board will have an understanding of one of the best practices for teaching a language and how engaging it is for students. This supports our Vision to “Engage, Challenge and Inspire” all students.

ACTION RECOMMENDED: Is this item for Approval or Discussion Only.

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