

Madison Public Schools Curriculum & Student Development Committee Meeting

Tuesday, January 10, 2023 5:30 PM

Town Campus Hammonasset Room/Zoom, 10 Campus Drive, Madison, CT 06443

I. AP US History Textbook Update	Speaker(s): Gail Dahling-Hench
II. College and Career Center Update	Speaker(s): Christine Coyle
III. Advisory Update	Speaker(s): Catherine Kennedy and Ron Spears
IV. State Reading Waiver Update	Speaker(s): Gail Dahling-Hench
V. Public Comment	
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**BOE Curriculum and Student
Development Committee
Meeting 1/10/23**

Christine Coyle, College & Career Counselor

College and Career Center Update

Old space: Formal, stale atmosphere; individual desks with computer stations, large conference table; outdated technology/projector

New space: Modern, casual atmosphere, comfortable seating in a collaborative/interactive arrangement; promethean board for presenters



Objectives for 2022-2023

- Support students with their **exploration** of college and career options
 - individual and group meetings, classroom lessons
- Enhance student learning with **community based experiences**
 - field trips, guest speakers, other special events
- Develop **community partnerships** for experiential learning opportunities
 - job shadowing, internships

Career Exploration Sessions - Underclassmen

- Every 9th and 10th grade student scheduled for a time to complete **Career Interest Profiler** utilizing Naviance
- Assessment identified student's top **Holland Traits** (Realistic, Investigative, Artistic, Social, Enterprising, Conventional)
- Students selected one or more careers to investigate
- Students reviewed DHHS course options as they relate to **National Career Clusters** and identified relevant courses to pursue next year

Career/College Exploration Sessions - Upperclassmen

- Individual meetings
 - Developing and/or refining plans
 - Assistance with college research and application process
- Workshops/group sessions
 - Common application
 - Resume
- SEL curriculum work in progress
 - Curriculum to include lessons and activities with college and career counselor for all juniors and seniors

Community Based Experiences

Past events:

- Lee Company Field Trip - October 2022
- Gateway Community College Visit - December 2022
- Goodwin University's Mobile Manufacturing Lab - December 2022

Upcoming events:

- Electric Boat Presentation - January 2023
- Porter and Chester Institute Visit- January 2023
- Middlesex Health Career Day- March 2023

DHHS students exploring options



Community Partnerships

- Local businesses and organizations
 - Chamber of Commerce (Madison, Shoreline, Greater New Haven)
 - Madison Rotary
 - Identifying/contacting various businesses in the area
- Colleges and universities
 - Goodwin University
 - Quinnipiac University
- DHHS alumni
 - Recent visits with USCGA and VA Tech students
 - 2022 grads- Q&A with seniors this spring
- College & Career Counselor network
 - Collaboration with local high schools



Curriculum and Student Development Committee

Catherine Kennedy, DHHS Advisory Lead
Ron Spears, DHHS Advisory Lead



Advisory Vision and Goals

DHHS Vision for Advisory

Social and emotional learning is essential for student success in the classroom and beyond. Advisory develops trusting relationships among students and staff, and supports students with meaningful, immersive activities related to social growth and mental health. Advisory is student-directed and student-driven.

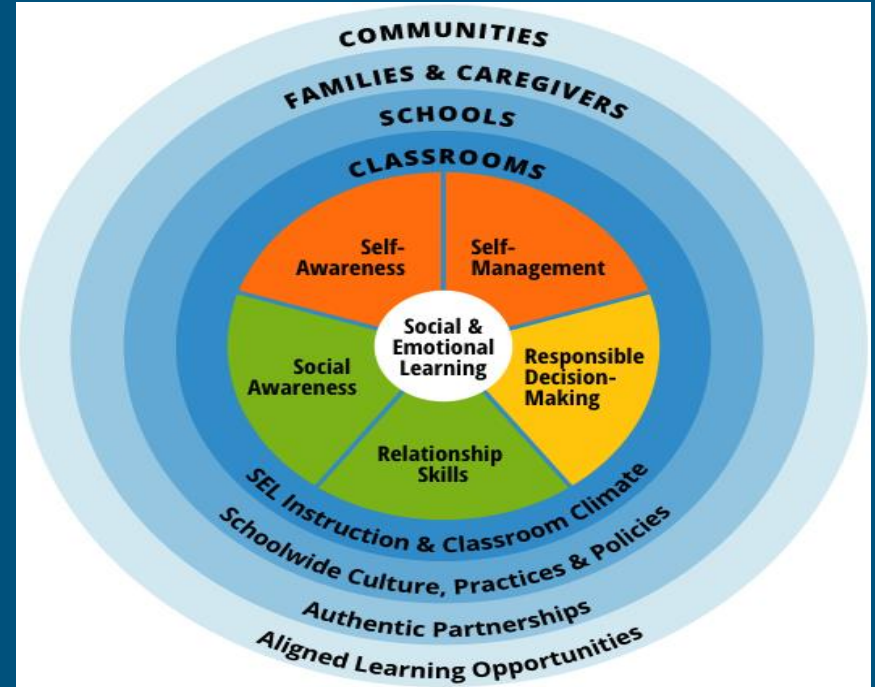
Goals

- Facilitate the development of strong, trusting relationships.
- Foster collaboration and mutual support within the classroom and beyond.
- Develop students' social and emotional skills.
- Promote student growth in the areas of responsible decision-making, managing emotions, cooperatively resolving conflict, and overcoming adversity.
- Offer leadership opportunities for interested students

Advisory Development

- PAW overhaul
- Built on student/staff desire
 - Surveys
- Researched programs, literature, other schools
- Our approach aims to be responsive to feedback
- PD - front loaded for 1st year goal of relationship building

Alignment and Community Commitment



DHHS Goals & Priorities - SCHOOL CLIMATE

DHHS School Goals & Priorities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Work with all stakeholders to provide a safe, positive, respectful, and inclusive culture that ensures students and staff feel supported. - To provide a physically and emotionally safe learning environment for all members of the Daniel Hand school community. - To support student leadership and increase opportunities to include diverse student voices. - To build equity, agency, and opportunity for all students to actively participate in their education. 	Content Area
		All
		Target Population
		School Community
		Grade(s)
		9-12

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Advisory Roll-Out 2022-2023

- 20 minute weekly meetings complimenting Wellness
- 52 grade-level groups
- A focus on relationship building and future leadership development
- Training student leaders in conjunction with MYFS and the team-building staff at Camp Hazen
- Faculty and student committees contribute to the development of weekly activities
- Regular meetings with MYFS staff/clinical consultant
- Feedback collected via Google surveys
- Initial feedback has been positive

Cup Challenge Demonstration



Advisory in the Big Picture



- Develop activities that are differentiated by grade-level to address all of CASEL's SEL domains
- Deliver activities addressing pertinent topics, specific to our community
- Have Advisory become not just student-driven, but as student run as possible
- Bring in appropriate expert speakers from the community to address SEL topics
- Continue to work with the DHHS Counseling Department to compliment their efforts
- Extend advisory to lower grades (future)