

Curriculum/Policy/Technology/Communication Subcommittee Meeting
Wednesday, January 20, 2010 5:45 PM Eastern

Curriculum/Policy/Technology/Communication
Subcommittee Meeting
15-B North Granby Road
Granby, CT 06035

- I. Curriculum Directors' Updates
- II. Update on New Texts for FY11 Budget
- III. Data Update from Kearns' School Improvement Plan
- IV. Progress on Choice Grant
- V. Status Report on the Development of New Policies
- VI. Other
 - VI.A. School Calendar Discussion

Monthly Elementary Curriculum Report: January 2010

Professional Development:

- January 19th early release day: combined elementary meeting on mission, achievement goal, vision, connection to 21st century skills, and grounding the theory/philosophy in actual classroom practice
- Mini-sessions during the school day for teachers and teacher assistants led by consulting teachers and reading staff on Ideas in Writing, Guided Reading groups, 6+1 Traits in Writing, model Every Day Math lessons, Read Naturally software (reading rate and fluency)

Grants:

- Complete mid-year report on Choice Academic and Social Support grant
- Using Title I to purchase materials to push-in tutor into Kindergarten classes instead of pull out students
- Use of Title II to purchase books for staff on best practices and Response to Intervention

Support of District Improvement Plan

- BOE progress report on Mission and Achievement Goal
- Elementary administrators give progress reports on School Improvement Plans and PLC team SMART goals

Special Services

- Continued informal observations of staff
- Solicit Special Ed feedback on Response to Intervention procedures
- Attended PPTs as needed
- Monitor Assistive Technology support
- Inform staff on CMT modifications planning
- Develop interview questions and lead interview team for elementary social worker position (grant funded)

Meetings:

- Co-facilitated monthly Administrative Council meeting on Response to Intervention
- Co-facilitated monthly Cohort 1 of Teacher Leadership Academy on Problems of Practice
- PTO meeting (budget and math curriculum focus)
- Elementary Administrative monthly meeting
- District Choice Leadership
- Welcoming Walkthrough training at SERC
- CAPSS workshop on advocating for the district budget
- Arranged for webinar for Deconstructing Elementary Standards
- District Test Coordinator meeting for CMT
- CREC Curriculum Council on using Instructional Rounds
- CAPSS Roundtable on SRBI

Other

- Serve on interview committee for Director of Special Services (screen applications, work on questions)
- Developed content to post link to Gifted Education on district website
- Hired staff and set structure for Intermediate after school homework club
- Updated elementary data base for TEAM training

Monthly Curriculum Sub-committee Report

From: Patricia Law, Director of Secondary Education

Date: January 2010

Professional Development:

- January 19th - ½ day PD for MS and HS focused on 21st century skills and connections to new mission
- Planning March PD ½ day – joint presentation for MS and HS on Reading Strategies in the content areas; presented by Deb Dussault and Helen Evans
- Working collaboratively with Alan and Sue to plan for administrative PD in February with Cassie Erkens about PLC processes and practices in Granby and next steps.

Curriculum:

- Working with ELL tutor to develop effective classroom practices for teachers of ELL students
- Guiding Unified Arts curriculum audit

Committee Work:

- Continued work with H1N1 committee to assess school and district needs
- District Emergency plan next step – to meet with original CIC team to review changes; next step to include town personnel
- Continued work with Robotics Club – processes for fundraising, program delivery, etc
- Wellness committee – next meeting January 26 – topics for discussion around goals, response to policy report

Other:

- Management of Title III grant – ordering support materials for teachers, students and tutor
- Leading PPTs as needed; oversight of out placed students
- Ongoing SMART goal work with building principals and PLC teams
- Helped lead district Ad Council discussion about RTI and its roll in Granby – on going
- Attended TEAM update meeting; beginning process to establish new TEAM program for district
- Met with Jen Mitchell (HS) to review information about TAs at HS; MS and HS TA evaluations to be done by mid year
- FY 11 budget development
- Observed SPED and reading teachers as part of Teacher Evaluation Plan process
- Attended Innovations Grant Meeting with Sue Clark - Perkins related grant monies available to support various HS programs
- Worked with HS guidance, teachers and administration to complete 2010-2011 Program of Studies
- Communication with NCAA about Course Articulation
- Work with Unified Arts Department at HS on Career Pathways Process
- Attended Local Prevention Council Meeting (LPC) as follow up to Asset Survey – ½ day retreat on January 25th
- Worked with Carolyn Dei Dolori on using new clicker training technology

Monthly Meetings:

- Diagnostic Team (SPED)
- Curriculum Council at CREC
- MS/HS Ad Council Meetings
- District Ad Council
- District Walkthroughs
- Teacher Leadership Academy – Cohort I Year 2, Theories of Action to Problems of Practice
- Principals Seminar – RTI and PLC in Granby
- DLT (District Leadership Team) – next meeting January 27th
- Wellness Committee – next meeting January 26th
- Attend HS and MS faculty meetings
- CONNCASE monthly meetings
- CAPSS Meeting – changing certification requirements, new TEAM model, new CCT - subcommittee work
- Bi monthly building admin meetings
- Ongoing PLC team meetings at MS and HS
- CAS meetings at HS and MS
- HS and MS department meetings as needed (regular ed. and SPED)
- Superintendent Meeting
- BOE
- CST meetings at MS (weekly)

F.M. Kearns Primary School

Response to questions asked at 11/17/09 Board of Education Meeting

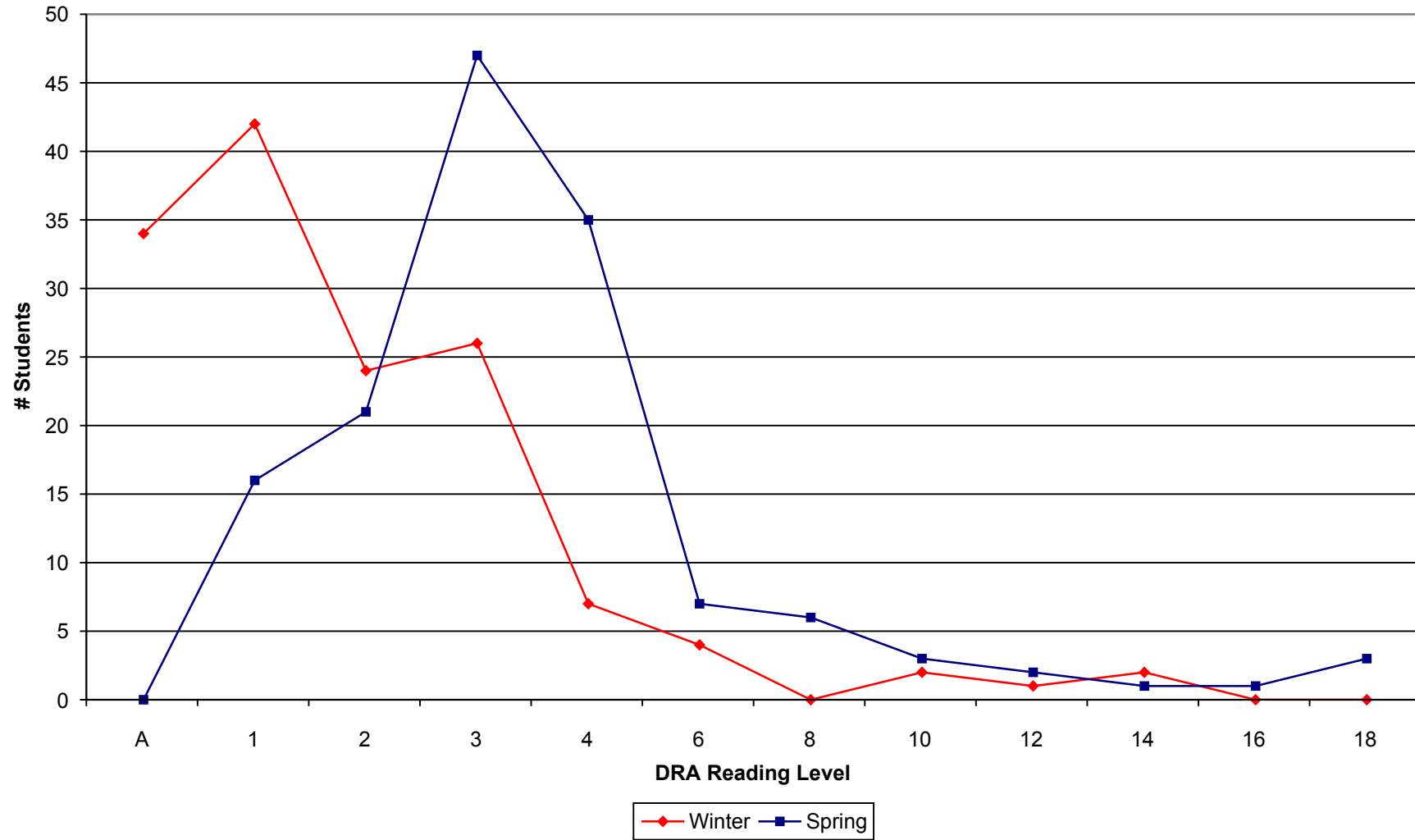
Students who received reading support 2008-2009 year.

Kindergarten	55 students
Grade 1	41 students
Grade 2	31 students

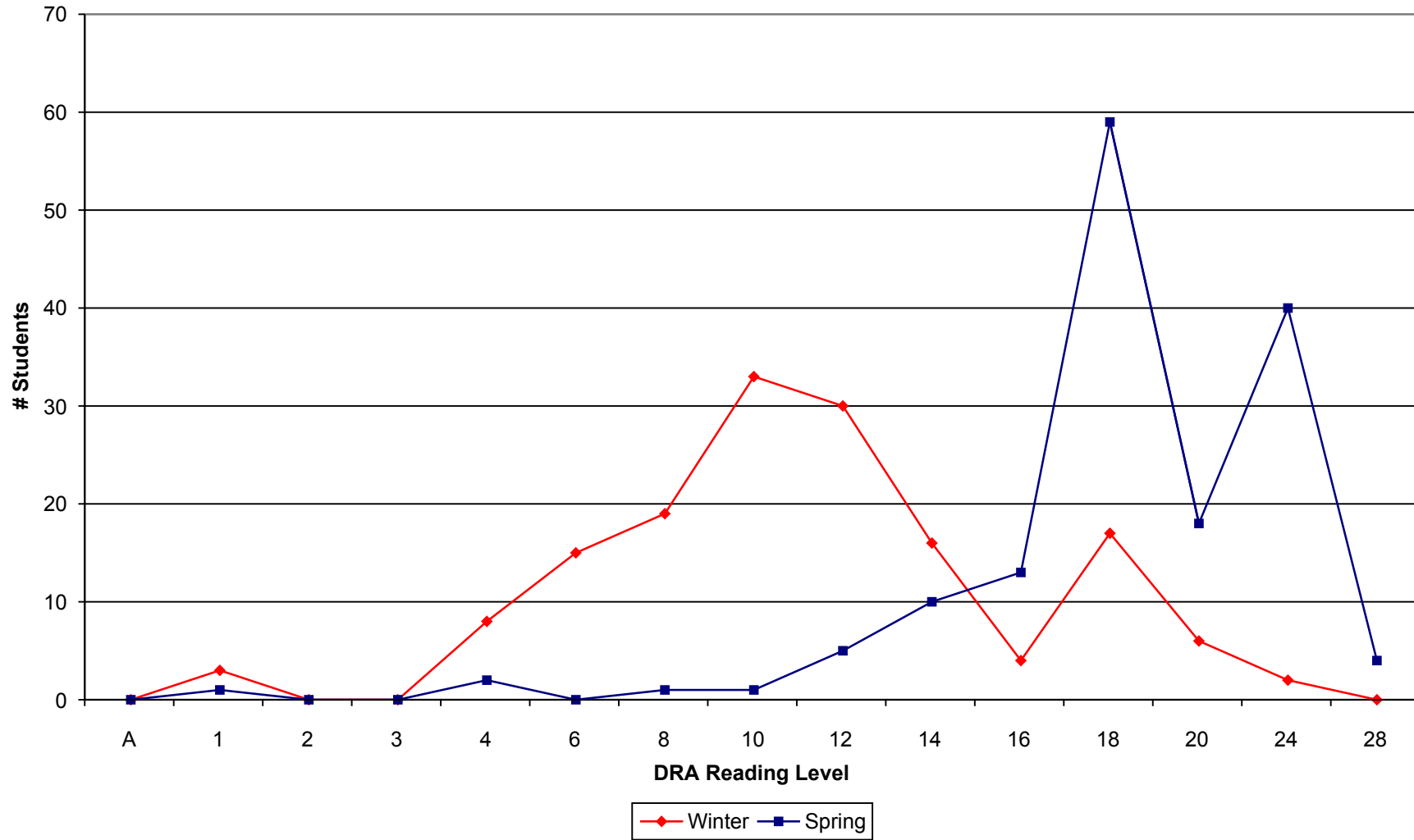
Students who did not meet benchmark on Spring 2009 DRA and received summer support.

Kindergarten	10 out of 88
Grade 1	13 out of 40
Grade 2	3 out of 28

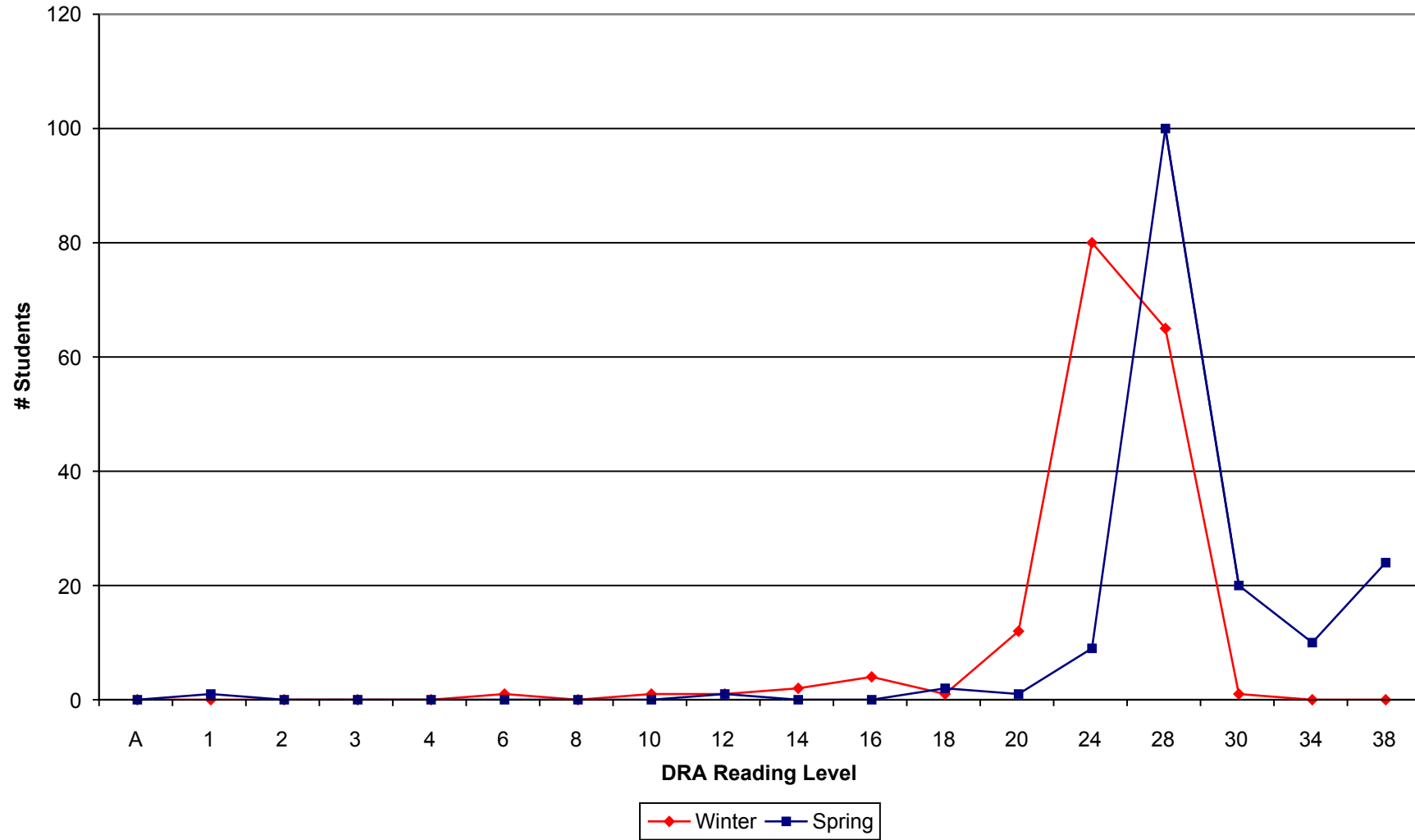
DRA Reading Levels: 2008-2009 Winter to Spring
Kindergarten



DRA Reading Levels: 2008-2009 Winter to Spring Grade 1



DRA Reading Levels: 2008-2009 Winter to Spring Grade 2



Grade K DRA Level	Number of Students at Reading Level		Grade 1 DRA Level	Number of Students at Reading Level	
	Winter	Spring		Winter	Spring
A	34	0	A	0	0
1	42	16	1	3	1
2	24	21	2	0	0
3	26	47	3	0	0
4	7	35	4	8	2
6	4	7	6	15	0
8	0	6	8	19	1
10	2	3	10	33	1
12	1	2	12	30	5
14	2	1	14	16	10
16	0	1	16	4	13
18	0	3	18	17	59
			20	6	18
			24	2	40
			28	0	4
TOTAL	142	142	TOTAL	153	154

Grade 2 DRA Level	Number of Students at Reading Level	
	Winter	Spring
A	0	0
1	0	1
2	0	0
3	0	0
4	0	0
6	1	0
8	0	0
10	1	0
12	1	1
14	2	0
16	4	0
18	1	2
20	12	1
24	80	9
28	65	100
30	1	20
34	0	10
38	0	24
TOTAL	168	168

Open Choice Academic and Social Supports Status Report

Description of Strategy	Implementation to Date	Progress Towards Intended Outcome	Method of Measuring Progress
<p>Intervention specialist to provide student support, family outreach, and coordination between agencies/districts. Position to serve four schools, grades K-8 as needed</p>	<p>Position defined, hiring process initiated (advertised, interviews completed)</p>	<p>School social worker to start on or about 2/1/2010</p>	<p>Person in place Orientation to district Role definition vis-à-vis existing support staff Direct interaction with school staff, students, families, agencies Log of activities Reports to, supervised by/evaluated by school principals</p>
<p>After school homework club. Serves grades 3-6, two intermediate schools. Academic tutoring, homework support, enrichment projects/activities as well as social/affective goals for student community and team building</p>	<p>Structure and format of program designed, staff interviewed and hired.</p>	<p>Sessions to start on or about 2/1/2010</p>	<p>Participation and attendance will be logged, types of activities will be reviewed, overall impact on student grades, discipline referrals, connectedness to school community will be assessed with a survey</p>
<p>Professional development and training for staff and students</p>	<p>Choice Leadership group expanded to include building administrators, guidance staff, psychologists, CREC Open Choice staff, and other district leaders. Diversity consultants interviewed and each submitted proposals. SERC selected to provide first round of training for staff with roll-out plan for a larger staff audience.</p>	<p>Three of five sessions completed with Leadership Group and SERC consultants. Student leader groups registered to attend several conference events. SERC plan for student programming still pending.</p>	<p>Evaluations of each Leadership Group session have been done. Possible student climate survey.</p>

Open Choice Academic and Social Supports Status Report

	Unable to set up ADL assembly programs for grade 7, 9, and 11 students thus far—in discussions with SERC to design large scale student assembly programs at guaranteed grades. High school student leaders participating in various anti-bias/diversity conferences.		
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Additional Comments:

Development and implementation of a suburban host family program was originally listed as a separate strategy in the grant application. This activity will be pursued and managed by the social worker/interventionist position as part of the responsibilities of the position in collaboration with the district Outreach Coordinator.

PRELIMINARY CALENDAR WITH AUGUST 30TH START DATE

**GRANBY PUBLIC SCHOOLS
PRELIMINARY 2010-2011 SCHOOL CALENDAR**

AUG/SEPT (22 days)

<u>M</u>	<u>T</u>	<u>W</u>	<u>TH</u>	<u>F</u>
23	24PD	25PD	26PD	27
30☉	31	1	2	3
6H	7	8	9H	10
13	14	15	16	17
20	21	22	23	24
27	28	29	30	

JANUARY (20 days)

<u>M</u>	<u>T</u>	<u>W</u>	<u>TH</u>	<u>F</u>
3	4	5	6	7
10	11	12	13	14
17H	18	19	20	21
24	25	26	27	28
31				

MAY (20 days)

<u>M</u>	<u>T</u>	<u>W</u>	<u>TH</u>	<u>F</u>
2	3	4	5	6
9	10	11	12	13
16	17	18	19	20
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30H	31PD			

OCTOBER (20 days)

<u>M</u>	<u>T</u>	<u>W</u>	<u>TH</u>	<u>F</u>
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11H	12	13	14	15
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FEBRUARY (18 days)

<u>M</u>	<u>T</u>	<u>W</u>	<u>TH</u>	<u>F</u>
	1	2	3	4
7	8	9	10	11
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21H	22H	23	24	25
28				

JUNE (6 days)

<u>M</u>	<u>T</u>	<u>W</u>	<u>TH</u>	<u>F</u>
		1	2	3
6	7	8☉	9+	10+
13+	14+	15+	16	17
20	21	22	23	24
27	28	29	30	

NOVEMBER (18 days)

<u>M</u>	<u>T</u>	<u>W</u>	<u>TH</u>	<u>F</u>
1	2PD	3	4	5
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MARCH (23 days)

<u>M</u>	<u>T</u>	<u>W</u>	<u>TH</u>	<u>F</u>
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7	8	9	10	11
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LEGEND:

- ☉ First/Last Day of School
- H Holiday - No School
- PD Prof. Dev. - No School
- V Vacation - No School
- + Emergency Days

DECEMBER (17 days)

<u>M</u>	<u>T</u>	<u>W</u>	<u>TH</u>	<u>F</u>
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27V	28V	29V	30V	31V

APRIL (16 days)

<u>M</u>	<u>T</u>	<u>W</u>	<u>TH</u>	<u>F</u>
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VACATIONS:

DECEMBER 24, 2010-DECEMBER 31, 2010

APRIL 18-22, 2011

KINDERGARTEN PARENTS PLEASE NOTE – If school is released early due to weather, afternoon kindergarten will automatically be cancelled and morning kindergarten will be shortened to 10:20 a.m.

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Middle School/High School
Kelly Lane & Wells Road
Kearns Primary School
Kindergarten a.m.
Kindergarten p.m.

REGULAR HOURS

7:35 - 2:20
8:20 - 3:05
8:35 - 3:20
8:35 - 11:30
12:25 - 3:20

EARLY RELEASE

7:35 - 12:00
8:20 - 12:45
8:35 - 1:00
8:35 - 10:20
11:00 - 1:00

DELAYED OPENING

9:10 - 2:20
9:50 - 3:05
10:05 - 3:05
10:05 - 11:50
12:25 - 3:20

PRELIMINARY CALENDAR WITH SEPTEMBER 1ST START DATE

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