

HOLMDEL TOWNSHIP PUBLIC SCHOOLS

"A COMMITMENT TO EXCELLENCE"

HOLMDEL TOWNSHIP BOARD OF EDUCATION CURRICULUM & INSTRUCTION/SPECIAL SERVICES COMMITTEE MEETINGS September 19, 2022 @ 6:30PM

Location: High School Media Center

Superintendent's Recommendations for Approval

- 1. <u>Approval of Out-of-District Travel, District Personnel</u>: The committee reviewed the list of teachers and staff attending various conferences. All are online or in New Jersey.
- 2. Approval of Student Trips: The committee reviewed the list of student field trips; all are in NJ.
- 3. Approval of Curriculum Revisions and New Courses: The committee reviewed the list of new/revised curriculum including the health education curricula. A discussion was held about waiting until the October meeting to pass the health curricula, after the parent workshop on October 3rd. Dr. Irwin provided the committee with talking points that reflect the process used for curriculum writing, the standards which are new, and the process the district will pursue for opt in and opt out. The committee provided feedback to color code the standards regarding which are opt in and which are opt out. Dr. Irwin informed the committee that sex education/gender standards are not at every grade level within the curriculum guides. Health curriculum is tabled, per Dr. Cascone.
- 4. **Approval of Curriculum Writers:** The committee reviewed the list of additional curriculum writers.
- 5. <u>Approval of Appointment, Teacher Leaders, Extra Hours, 2022-23 School Year:</u> The committee reviewed the appointment of teacher leaders who assist with tiered interventions/multi-tiered system of supports.
- 6. <u>Approval of Student Teachers/Clinical Practice/Observations/Field Experiences:</u> The committee reviewed field experience for student teacher through Brookdale.
- 7. <u>Approval of Student Internships for the 2022-23 School Year:</u> The committee reviewed additional student internships for the 22-23 school year.
- 8. <u>Approval of Virtual Instruction Policy#2425 First Read (Remote Plan):</u> The committee reviewed the virtual instruction policy and reviewed the previous remote plan, in the event that school closes for more than 3 consecutive days. No significant changes were made from the 21-22 remote plan; the district will update to reflect the new school year and submit to the state for the September 30 deadline.

Special Services

- 1. **Approval of Home/Hospital Instruction**: The committee reviewed 1 additional home instruction.
- 2. <u>Approval of CBI/WBL 2022/2023 Location for Community Based Instructions (CBI) and Structured</u>
 <u>Learning Experience (SLE):</u> The committee to review the list of locations for Community Based Instruction and work based learning.
- 3. <u>Approval of Student Placements:</u> The committee reviewed the placement of students at Project Enterprise. Social Skills Services cost billed separately from tuition

Old Business:



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Health FAQs: Dr. Irwin, in response to an inquiry made during the September committee meeting, provided the committee with a draft FAQ document for families regarding common questions about the health curriculum. Once finalized, this will be placed on the district website. Feedback was provided about more clarity as to processes for students who opt out (i.e. where will they go, etc..)

Lesson Plan Update: Dr. Irwin provided the committee with an update to the new lesson planning procedures. Each principal has set up Google Drive folders for every teacher, which are reviewed by administrators on a regular basis. Feedback, overall, has been positive.

Money Lost to the Academies 22-23: \$1,544,698. Dr. Irwin, in response to an inquiry made during the September committee meeting, provided the committee with the monetary cost of tuition and transportation for students at MCVSD. This led to more discussion about ways to keep students in Holmdel. A larger discussion was then held about dual enrollment. At the next committee meeting, the committee will review a list of all dual enrollment partnerships and review enrollment for each.

<u>New Teacher Orientation Survey:</u> Dr. Irwin shared survey results about new teacher orientation and informed the committee that the district will be doing monthly workshops at Bell Labs for new teachers in response to the overwhelmingly positive feedback.

New Business:

<u>HHS Dreams Program; Dreams Pilot; Art - Resources:</u> Mr. Howard briefed the committee about the Dreams/Nurtured Heart Program. HHS will be applying for this free opportunity. If selected, HHS will receive a mentor that supports the school in SEL services aimed at student and staff wellness.

NJSLA Perfect Scores: Dr. Irwin informed the committee that we will recognize students who received perfect scores on the NJSLA at the October committee meeting.

<u>Mandated Assessment Reporting</u>: Dr. Irwin provided takeaways from the 2022 NJSLA assessments. This will be presented to the committee at the September board meeting.

Dynamic Learning Maps (DLM): Ms. Lamoglia informed the committee that the New Jersey Department of Education (NJDOE) is requiring districts administer the Dynamic Learning Maps (DLM) instructionally embedded (IE) assessments in the fall of 2022 for students with significant intellectual disabilities. This assessment has a similar intention as Start Strong.

Items to Discuss Next Time

Dual enrollment: This will be discussed as mentioned above.

Google Calendar access: Ms. Tucillo inquired about using Google Calendar for student assignments and events, as opposed to paper based planners in grades 6+.

Digital tools (flash cards): Ms. Turcillo inquired about digital tools and flashcards.

College Fair - the committee recommended Juniors have access to colleges visiting in guidance.

Next meeting date: Monday, October 17, 2022 @ 6:30pm



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