

Proctor Public Schools Independent School District 704 Superintendent Update: 9.11.2023

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Strategic Plan: Student Achievement

• We will increase academic achievement by providing quality tier one instruction for all students. The MCA data will be placed in usable tables and shared with the Curriculum Advisory Board. I will also be sharing some highlights from this information with the whole Board as soon as it's available to me.

WHAT (MN standards | or locally developed) + HOW (instructional strategies - high leverage) + WITH WHAT (materials | texts | programs) + WHEN (grade level scope & sequence/grade level mapping) ASSESSMENT

Kindergarten:

Star Early Lit: Star Early Literacy will be conducted on Tuesday, September 12th; Catherine
Hersey and Matt Lind will connect with teachers to schedule the assessment time. The
intervention team will be in classrooms to assist all students with the Star.
Curriculum Based Measures: Interventionists/para will connect for dates/times. Interventionists
will conduct Curriculum Based Measures in the fall. In January, classroom teachers will do this.

1st Grade:

Star Early Lit: Star Early Literacy will be conducted on Monday, September 11th. An interventionist will connect with teachers to plan the assessment time. Teachers will have interventionist support in the classroom.

Curriculum Based Measures: Interventionists/para will connect with teachers for dates/times. Interventionists will conduct **Curriculum Based Measures** in the fall. In January, classroom teachers will do this.

2nd grade

Star Reading: Star Reading will be conducted on Monday, September 11th. An interventionist will connect with teachers to plan the assessment time. Teachers will have interventionist support to get students started on the assessment.

Star Math: Conduct anytime between September 12-15th.

Curriculum Based Measures: Interventionists/paras will connect with teachers for dates/times. Interventionists will conduct **Curriculum Based Measures** in the fall. In January, classroom teachers will do this.

3rd - 5th

Star Reading & Star Math - conduct between September 7 and September 19th.
Curriculum Based Measures: Complete by September 19th; Two options for conducting
Curriculum Based Measures:

- 1) do on your own or
- 2) an interventionist can sub for you so you can conduct the **Curriculum Based** Measures.

For option 2, connect with an interventionist to schedule a block of time.

In January, only option 1 will be available as classroom routines will be well established at that point in the year.

Strategic Plan: Workforce

- We will recruit, hire, and retain the highest quality professionals for every position in the school: We still need to hire two paraprofessionals at Bay View Elementary and a Birth Age 2 Teacher for the ECSE program. We're working through an ECSE position, but other than that, all teaching positions within the District are filled.
- We have been talking a great deal about the potential cost of unemployment to the District. Our current exposure from the summer was \$45,000. We have not heard from the Department of Labor what the total cost of the program was statewide, but I'll share that with you as soon as I have the figure.
- In a Human Resource sense, we continue to refine our process for accepting applications. Often, important items are left blank or worse, filled in incorrectly. This is an internal discussion that we'll continue to polish.
- We have several individual contracts to finish and we met with the teachers this afternoon.

Strategic Plan: Facilities

• Modernize classrooms to create learning environments which are safe, all encompassing, and engaging: We have been working to bring the PECC into Head Start compliance, and this will be good for all students in the programs there. We need to add some space to the current footprint, and Randy, Steve, and Evan are tackling that project. Antiquated white boards are being changed out from new ones that were purchased at an auction. These are high quality boards that we got for a fraction of the cost of new ones.

Strategic Plan: Communication

• Web Presence: If everything works well, I'll be sharing live updates on the District's Website during the meeting

READ Act: In its entirety

• **Reimbursement for Reading Curriculum**: The process for seeking reimbursement for materials purchased before 2021 will be coming out in January of 2024. There are two concerns. One is that the materials must be on the approved list and the second is that the state is worried that there wasn't enough money allocated to meet all of the needs. This will be part of our collective legislative platform as we go to visit our representatives next spring.