

Update on the Work of the Social Studies Task Force

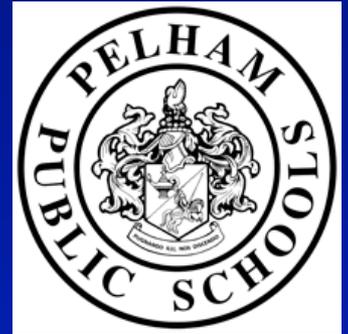


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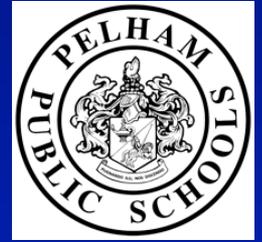


*Inspiring a Standard of
Excellence in All Students*



Who We Are

Six Schools, One Learning Community



Essential Question

How do we fulfill the recommendations of the Social Studies Task Force and pursue equity and excellence in Social Studies for all students?

Social Studies Task Force Timeline

- 2011-2012 = Tri State Consortium visit
- Fall 2012 = Task Force formed
- Winter 2013 = Task Force concluded work/
Report presented to the BoE
- Spring 2014 = Tri State re-visit

Social Studies Goals

- To design and implement a new K-12 Common Core Social Studies curriculum which includes a vertical skills spiral reflecting historical thinking skills and Social Studies practices.
- To integrate metacognitive activities, Differentiated Instruction, data analysis, and instruction in multiple literacies in grades K-12 in order to ensure equity and excellence for all students.
- To design and implement Performance Based Assessments in grades K-12 to ensure student engagement and varied data analysis to positively affect instruction .

What's Happening?

- Common Definitions
- Metacognition
- Differentiated Instruction



What's Happening?



National History Day
State Competition 2013
Cooperstown, N.Y.

- Performance Based Assessments
- PADI work

What's Happening?

- Common Core Social Studies Curriculum Framework
- C3 Social Studies Framework



7th grade Simulation

What's Happening?



- Equity
- Common Core Skills

Our Journey Continues...

- Pursuing goals
- K-5 Work
- Assessment
- Tri State re-visit



Questions?