

**Madison Public Schools
Board of Education
Curriculum and Student Development Committee
Tuesday, February 23, 2021
5:30 PM
Via Zoom**

MEETING MINUTES

Diane Infantine-Vyce called the meeting to order at 5:31 p.m.

Committee Members present:

Diane Infantine-Vyce (Chair), Catherine Miller, Greg DeSantis, Galen Cawley (ex officio)

Administration Present:

Craig Cooke (Superintendent), Gail Dahling-Hench (Assistant Superintendent), Wendy Brighindi (Zoom Host)

Also Present:

Members of the public: Katie Stein, Emily Rosenthal, Steven Pynn, Dr. Fiano

Recorder: Diane Infantine-Vyce

I. Items of Information and Presentation:

Gail Dahling-Hench gave a presentation on the Easy CBM 2020-2021 (Fall-Winter) Assessment Results for K-8, focusing on 50th Percentile Benchmarks, as requested by the C&SD Committee. Grades K & 1 were highlighted in particular, comparing the Fall to Winter results. The results were discussed in detail.

Grade K - 50th Percentile:

Fall:

Letter Sounds (LS) = 71%,
Phoneme Segmenting (PS) = 83%,
Word Reading Fluency (WRF) = Not tested, and
Math (CCSS- Common Core State Standards) = 87%.

Winter:

LS = 38%
PS = 45%
WRF = 52%
Math = 85%

Grade 1 - 50th Percentile:

Fall:

LS = 43%,
WRF = 53%,
PRF = not tested, and
Math = 77%.

Winter:

LS = 48%,

WRF = 53%

PRF = 55%

Math = 79%

There was much discussion on Grades K & 1 with regard to Fall results vs. Winter results. It was noted that FUNdations was implemented for grades 1 & 2 beginning in the fall, whereas grade K & 3 began in January 2021. It was also noted that full in person schooling began in October for grades K-8, however, a percentage of students remained 100% virtual. It was also noted that overall test scores were somewhat better in the older grades.

Public Comment:

A question was posed regarding Easy CBM and whether it is the only assessment utilized. Gail Dahling-Hench emphasized that it is not the only assessment utilized, that other in-house assessments are also used.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:28 p.m.

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