Curriculum and Instruction Subcommittee Meeting Minutes

05/16/22

Attendees: Timothy Van Tasel, Michelle Zawawi, Jeanine Rose, Rebecca Osleger, Stephannie Holland, Joy Tierney, Matt Dobi, Shannon Insero, Kelly Blais (via Zoom), Maureen Sattan, Glenn Gazdik (arrived at 5:30 pm), Jamie Drzyzga, Tracy Cloyd, Melissa Finnigan

- I. Call to order: 5:02 pm
- II. Digital Citizenship: Rebecca Osleger and Joy Tierney shared updates regarding work that is being done to educate our students on the appropriate use of technology in and out of school. For example, in 2nd through 5th grade, each student will work through an interactive/engaging digital citizenship unit during their library media time. We are also hosting a Social Media Open Forum on Monday, May 23, at Kent Memorial Library.
- III. New Suffield High School History Course: Stephannie Holland and Kelly Blais presented the new required history course for next year. Jeanine, Stephannie, and Kelly attend training at SERC. Kelly will be teaching the course in collaboration and following the curriculum adopted by the date. The course requires some budget funds to purchase the bundle and NEWELA. Currently there are approximately 20 students enrolled in the course.
- IV. EL Program: We currently have a total of 66 total EL students enrolled in our program with 42 at AWS, 11 at MIS, 7 at SMS and 6 at SHS. Our EL students receive services from a total of 3 reading specialists and 4 academic support staff at all 4 schools and are assessed using LAS Links to determine their growth and readiness to exit the program.
- V. World Language Program: We are currently reviewing our World Language program and opportunities for growth within the program. There will be more to come at a later date.
- VI. Adjournment: 5:55 pm