

New Hartford Public Schools
Curriculum Subcommittee Meeting Minutes
November 14, 2023
Sessions Conference Room
Town Hall
4:30-5:00pm

Present: Jeffrey Sousa, Superintendent, Dr. Kelly Carroll, Mrs. Heather Mathes

1.) 5 Year Curriculum Plan

- a.) Shifts: First year of EL implementation (K-6), STAR math (grades 1-6) and STAR reading assessments (grades 3-6), Listening to Learn (K)
- b.) FLEX block supports instruction (K-6)
- c.) Wellness and Library Media will undergo a curriculum review
- d.) 2024-2025: Phase 2 of EL implementation and social studies curriculum audit

2.) EL Education Implementation Update

- a.) Staff and students have successfully engaged with the new curriculum
- b.) Shift in practice - moving away from workshop model
- c.) EL engages learners in complex text - students read, write, think, and talk every day
- d.) Increase in rigor
- e.) Continuation professional development throughout school year to support implementation

3.) RULER Curriculum Overview

- a.) Students engage in weekly lessons and daily routines to support positive social interactions with peers and adults, ie. sharing, compromising, negotiating, perspective taking, and receiving critical feedback to improve ourselves. Students are building skills to support a positive learning environment.
- b.) This is the first year implementing the full RULER scope and sequence
- c.) There will be a RULER presentation at a future BOE meeting.

4.) Adjournment

- a.) 5:00pm

