

Curriculum and Instruction Subcommittee Meeting
January 30, 2024
Suffield Middle School
Room C120

Attendees: Assistant Superintendent Michelle Zawawi, Melissa Finnigan, Maureen Sattan, Josh Barrows, Tracy Cloyd, Debra Dudack, Justin Drago, Gina Olearczyk, Matt Bourgoin, Brittney Bachand, Sarah Schortmann, Kris Pryce, Denise Raymond, Athletic Director Todd Zenzack, Superintendent Timothy Van Tassel, Ed.D.

Call to Order at 8:36am

Discussion of Curriculum for Health Standards set forth by the State of CT for PreK to 5th grade:

Group discussed the new state standards for health. The School Psychologist and the Social Worker currently do a lot of the SEL (Social Emotional Learning) lessons today but now they will tie each lesson to a standard. Many of these standards are represented in CASEL (Collaborative for Academic, Social, and Emotional Learning) and DESSA (Devereux Student Strengths Assessment) which we use today for Social Emotional lesson plans. Preschool currently has a curriculum that comes with the NAEYC (National Association for the Education of Young Children) standards and certification. Spaulding is trying to implement some of the nutrition and wellness standards within the Physical Education time that the teacher has with the students each week. McAllister will also be going through their current lesson plans to see how they can incorporate some of the new recommendations.

We will be meeting again in June to review the standards with curriculum associated with it for grades K through 5 so that we are all in agreement on how these standards are being implemented.

Joshua Barrows entered meeting at 8:45am

Dr. Timothy Van Tassel entered meeting at 9:06am

Tracy Cloyd exited meeting at 9:21am

Debra Dudack exited meeting at 9:32am

Todd Zenzack entered meeting at 9:32am

Meeting adjourned at 10:00am.