Pequea Valley School District

Where Each Learner Counts

Curriculum & Instruction

March

Dates PV First Ten Early Literacy

Highlight of services: Stats/ Data from February 2024

- o 47 incoming kindergarten learners, 71 parents, and 23 siblings attended the kick off to kindergarten event on February 5th.
- o As of February 22nd, we have identified/connected with 79 learners who are eligible for kindergarten next year, (this is about **20 more than last year at this time**), 34 of them have fully registered, 42 are signed up to attend kindergarten transition nights, and 35 have screening appointments.
- o Our 4-week STEM Connections program started February 20th and we have 16 incoming kindergarten learners attending.
- o In February we had 12 hours of Play and Learn programs for families, and provided 25 hours of home visiting to 11 families.

Current Projects:

- o Open gym will start back up the first week in March and run until April 10th, we will continue to have 6th graders help with set up and clean up each week.
- o Early Learning and Elementary teams will have info tables and will be helping with child care during parent teacher conferences the first week of March.
- o Finish up My Fabulous Five Senses and STEM Connection series in March.
- o Currently working with both elementary school counselors and providing two SEL groups for kindergarten and 1st grade learners. Meeting with each group over lunch for the next 6 weeks.
- o Helping to organize and promote Factory Family event Spring Paint and Plant party on April 12th.
- o Working with families to help get learners registered for kindergarten.

New Projects/Upcoming Initiatives:

- o Planning for Kindergarten Transition Nights and Screenings.
- o Working with CAP PVELC to coordinate extra time/space to help their pre-k families to complete registration and screening appointments.
- Planning for Summer programming.
 - Working on summer enrichment camp for incoming kindergarten learners the last 2 weeks in June.
 - Planning weekly family "book club" series for summer programming to replace lunch and learns, at paradise park.
 - Working with the elementary advocate to plan free weekly summer camp

- opportunities for learners.
 Back to School supply event
 Popsicles on Playground for incoming kindergarteners.

Dates	Elementary Curriculum Topics
	Octorara brought 10 teachers to observe our literacy series curriculum and progress monitoring process followed by a debrief with grade levels. They were extremely impressed by the engagement the curriculum and learning facilitator instruction provided as well as the behavior of our learners.
	Our STEELS standards (new science standards) implementation team attended day 2 at the IU, which had a focus on cross district job alike curriculum map building time. Our team benefited greatly from the collaboration!
	The spring flipped parent conferences occurred where learners in the higher elementary had the opportunity to present their progress to their family.
	Spring Elementary Conferences - 76%

Dates	Middle & High School Curriculum Topics
	We met to discuss the new College Board AP Pre-Calc course implementation. We are looking to implement it for the year of 25-26 so will bring it to the board in December 2024.
	The HS had another extremely successful "First Choice" portfolio presentation night last week! It was definitely the best I've seen learners be able to articulate their journey towards their Post-secondary First Choice and the benefit of the PV MCL vision.

Dates	School Data & State Assessments & National Tests
	 I will be starting the new 3 year comprehensive plan cycle this month with a stakeholder kick-off meeting in May. This will kick off a process that will culminate with a 30 day public comment period in Feb 2025 and then it will be provided to the board for approval in March of 2025 with a due date to be submitted to the state on March 31st 2025.

Dates	General
	Erik and I participated in a Pequea Valley three township comprehensive

planning kick-off meeting at the Salisbury Township Office. We will continue to update you on findings and solutions in the areas of housing, transportation, education, etc.

• The annual PDE Data Summit was held in Hershey this week. The following are the topics that were very beneficial:

• PVAAS state data growth metric for leaders to guide educators

• The latest trends and new laws in Home Education

• Act 45 Action Research Project Planning

• Effective Progress Monitoring - PDE school improvement team's 4 year experiences

• CDT data results translated into Al ChatGPT feedback to identify next steps for instruction

• Flexible Instruction Day (FID's) new portal training