

SPRING-FORD AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT  
**Curriculum & Technology Committee Meeting**  
**March 11, 2024**

7:00 p.m. in the District Office Conference Room  
Zoom Link: <https://spring-ford.zoom.us/j/93876936710>

**DISTRICT MISSION STATEMENT**

Spring-Ford Area School district cultivates academic excellence, embraces inclusivity, fosters wellness, and purposefully integrates technology and innovation.

**CALL TO ORDER 7:08 PM**

**IN ATTENDANCE:**

- Board Members- Dr. Margaret Wright (committee chair), Heidi Goldsmith, Dave Laky, Karen Weingarten, Theresa Westwood, Erica Hermans (Zoom)
- District Representatives- Dr. Kelly Murray, Robert Catalano, Dr. Catherine Gardy, Dr. Jennifer Rinehimer, Brianna Angelucci
- Community Members- Kelly German (Zoom) Steve Fry (Zoom), Zach (Zoom), Will Cromley, Stacey (Zoom)

**I. PUBLIC TO BE HEARD ON AGENDA ITEMS ONLY**

**II. ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES ([February 2024](#)) minutes were accepted**

**III. OLD BUSINESS**

**IV. NEW BUSINESS**

**A. Technology**

- a. Print-Shop Refresh  
Mr. Catalano provided information about the renewal for the industrial printers that are due for lease renewal.
- b. E-rate bids for network  
Mr. Catalano provided information on how e-rate bids work and the process for updating the network.

**B. Curriculum**

- a. ARP ESSER - Learning Loss update  
Dr. Murray provided an update on the ARP ESSER Learning Loss expenditures.
- b. LinkIt!  
Dr. Murray shared service information about LinkIt! regarding assessment building.
- c. K-5 English Language Arts implementation update  
Mrs. Angelucci provided an update on the implementation of Amplify, CKLA
- d. Curriculum Resources
  - i. Math - Grades 5-8, Curriculum Associates, *iReady Mathematics*

Dr. Rinehimer discussed the recommendation of a core math resource for grades 5-8.

ii. Algebra 1- McGraw-Hill LLC, *Reveal Algebra 1*

Dr. Rinehimer discussed the recommendation of a core math resource for Algebra 1.

iii. Science - Grades 5-6 Activate Learning LLC

1. *Activate Learning Prime*, Grade 5
2. *OpenScieEd Middle*, Grade 6

Dr. Rinehimer discussed the recommendation of a core science resource for grades 5 & 6.

iv. Physics- *Positive Physics*

Dr. Rinehimer discussed the recommendation of a supplemental resource for Physics.

v. Behavioral Science

1. *Positive Psychology: A Workbook for Personal Growth and Well-Being* (Hoffman, E. L.; Sage Publishers)
2. *U Thrive: How to Succeed in College (and Life)* (Lerner, D.; Little, Brown and Company)
3. *Psychology 2e* (OpenStax, nonprofit through Rice University)
4. *Introduction to Psychology* (Cummings, J. A. & Sanders, L.)

Dr. Gardy discussed the text recommendations for the new Behavioral Science course.

vi. Turnitin -*Turnitin Originality* (Artificial Intelligence detector add-on)

Dr. Gardy discussed the recommendation to add the artificial intelligence detector to the Turnitin licensing.

**V. ITEMS RECOMMENDED FOR DISCUSSION AT THE NEXT BOARD MEETING**

Print shop refresh  
Network infrastructure  
LinkIt!  
iReady Classroom Mathematics (grades 5-8)  
Reveal Algebra 1 (Algebra 1)  
Positive Physics (Physics)  
Behavioral Science texts (4 texts)  
Turnitin (Artificial Intelligence detector)

**VI. PREPARATION FOR NEXT MEETING'S AGENDA. PROPOSALS FOR THE NEXT COMMITTEE AGENDA**

A. Curriculum annual renewals

**VII. BOARD COMMENT**

**VIII. PUBLIC TO BE HEARD ON TOPICS RELATED TO BUSINESS OF COMMITTEE**

**IX. ADJOURNMENT 8:34 PM**

**Next meeting will be held on Monday, April 8, 2024 at 7:00 p.m. in the District Office Conference Room**