

CURRICULUM COMMITTEE MEETING
Monday, October 7 , 2024
Immediately Following Education Committee Meeting
Administration Building
Board Room

Committee Members					Remaining Meeting Dates	
X	Natalie Snyder- Chairperson		Lori Bali		Gene Marks	
	Robert Kern - Co-Chairperson	X	Todd Breiner	X	Sherri Molitoris	November 4, 2024
	Chad Christman		Michele Dotta	X	Scott Pyne	
	Gary Fedorcha	X	Nichole Fink	X	James Schnyderite	
	Rhonda Frantz		Bryan Geist	X	Tania Stoker	
X	Mathias Green		David Hauser	X	Michael Strohl	
X	Gale Husack	X	Eric Hill			
X	Donna Kulp	X	Matthew Link			
		X	Christopher Mann			

Also in attendance: Carleen Binder, Tim Weaber, Steven Haas

AGENDA

- Amplify CKLA and ELA Rollout
 - Our K-6 teachers are well underway with their initial units in the Amplify programs. Despite a few initial challenges with materials and online access, they've done an outstanding job with the transition. The main concern has been pacing, especially in the upper grades. To address this, our upcoming PD session next week will focus on lesson design and making strategic, priority-based decisions.
 - [NLSD Literacy webpage](#)
 - A new NLSD Literacy Website has been created to capture our commitment to literacy for all students in the Northern Lehigh

School District. This extends beyond Amplify CKLA, with our administrators and teacher leaders just last week going to a literacy leadership summit to learn with others around the state about the work being done to manage the major shifts we are undergoing. The site serves as a hub for parents and community members to access resources and learn more about our literacy initiatives.

- NLSL Literacy Night Live - October 21
 - We are hosting a Parent Literacy Night on October 21st. This event will feature presentations from teachers, administrators, and interventionists, followed by a panel Q&A session with parents.
 - Parents have been notified about the event and were provided with an introductory video about CKLA to address any initial curiosities or questions.
 - [Family Introduction Video](#)
- Innovamat
 - Mrs. Jamie Bigley, Mrs. Elissa Fry, and Mrs. Amanda Barriana recently attended the first in a series of training sessions offered by IU21 in partnership with Innovamat, a company from Spain focused on advancing evidence-based, engaging math strategies.
 - While Innovamat provides its own curriculum, we are exploring it as a resource to stimulate new teaching strategies and thinking within our district about how the math curriculum is organized and how instruction is designed.
 - Mrs. Bigley, Mrs. Fry, and Mrs. Barriana will develop expertise through these sessions and provide turnaround professional development to help enrich math instructional practices across the district.
 - Initial conversations with all three have suggested a lot of excitement and a lot to think about.
- Curriculum Council
 - I have been meeting individually with department leaders as part of a plan to reshape the structure and culture of our Curriculum Council. The goal is to create subcommittees with relevant, overlapping, and measurable goals.
 - The discussions have gone well, and there is strong alignment between teacher leadership priorities and administrative goals. Focus areas include:
 - Consistency in curriculum
 - Engaging and effective instruction
 - Assessment and Intervention systems that identify and meet students' needs and put them on a path to success.
 - These priorities are already in motion, and the Curriculum Council will play a key role in advancing them.

- This effort also aligns with the Lunch and Learn sessions, which serve as an inspiration for enhancing teacher leadership and ownership in continuous improvement processes.

Next meeting is scheduled for Monday, April 1, 2025