

## **Suffield Public Schools**

### **2025-2026 Professional Learning At-A-Glance**

During the 2025-2026 school year, educators in Suffield Public Schools will focus on two key areas foundational to student success: expanding our Tier 1 instructional toolbox and deepening our integration of Social and Emotional Learning (SEL). This work involves bringing our new elementary reading and mathematics programs to life, strengthening our use of de-escalation strategies to support students through challenging moments, exploring innovative instructional practices, and deepening our understanding of the RULER approach to social-emotional learning at the secondary level.

#### **August 26, 2025 Professional Development**

To support our day of learning, a Google Site was created to communicate session descriptions, times, and locations by school. The district's Curriculum and Instruction Warehouse is being expanded to incorporate professional learning resources.

#### **2025-2026 Professional Learning Plan**

Please see below for an overview of the professional learning offerings planned for the 2025-2026 school year. The Professional Development and Evaluation Committee (PDEC), administrators, and instructional coaches will be actively involved in planning learning opportunities to best support educators. Sessions will be facilitated by a combination of district personnel and consultants. The district has partnerships with Amplify CKLA, Bridges in Mathematics, Antioch University (Place-Based Learning), and EdAdvance (Illustrative Mathematics and AI). Anonymous survey data will be collected after early release and full-day professional development to gather feedback, assess the effectiveness of the sessions, and inform planning for future professional learning opportunities.

There is an intentional focus on providing Spaulding Elementary School and McAlister Intermediate School with professional learning in both the new reading and mathematics programs. This dual focus is designed to strengthen Tier 1 instructional planning and practice across both content areas.

At the secondary level, our Tier 1 learning will center around routines, learning targets, success criteria, student voice, and differentiation. The first phase of RULER will be introduced to staff this school year, with training dedicated to the Staff Charter, Mood Meter, and Blueprint.

In addition to the in-district sessions provided to educators, off-site professional learning opportunities are offered. These include (but are not limited to):

- Building Thinking Classrooms
- Responsive Classroom
- Middle School Mathematics Intervention

| A. Ward Spaulding School |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
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| Date                     | Topic                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
| August 26, 2025          | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Bridges in Mathematics Launch</li> <li>• Safety-Care Training</li> <li>• PowerSchool Data Analytics/MTSS</li> <li>• Pre-K Collaboration</li> <li>• SMILE Collaboration</li> </ul>                                                                        |
| September 2, 2025        | mCLASS Training                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| September 17, 2025       | Forefront Training                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
| September 22, 2025       | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Bridges in Mathematics (2 rotations; Unit 2 rollout), Amplify CKLA (1 rotation; pacing)</li> <li>• Place-Based Learning (Specials Teachers)</li> <li>• Special Services PD: Dyslexia, Assistive Tech with NEAT, School Psychology Evaluations</li> </ul> |
| October 8 & 9, 2025      | Bridges Coaching Visit                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| October 10, 2025         | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Bridges in Mathematics (assessment, routines, Unit 3 rollout)</li> <li>• Bridges Intervention</li> <li>• Place-Based Learning (Specials Teachers)</li> </ul>                                                                                             |
| November 4, 2025         | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Bridges in Mathematics (routines)</li> <li>• Amplify CKLA</li> </ul>                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| December 9, 2025         | Amplify CKLA (supplemental resources)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
| January 27, 2026         | Bridges in Mathematics (Unit 5 rollout)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| February 18, 2026        | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Bridges in Mathematics (Unit 6 rollout)</li> <li>• Amplify CKLA</li> </ul>                                                                                                                                                                               |
| March 30 & April 1, 2026 | Bridges Coaching Visit                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| April 2, 2026            | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Bridges in Mathematics (Unit 7 rollout)</li> <li>• Bridges Intervention</li> </ul>                                                                                                                                                                       |

| McAlister Intermediate School |                                                                                                                                                                                         |
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| Date                          | Topic                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| August 26, 2025               | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Amplify CKLA Launch</li> <li>• Safety-Care Training</li> <li>• PowerSchool Data Analytics/MTSS</li> <li>• PAWS/THRIVE Collaboration</li> </ul> |

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|                          | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• SMILE Collaboration</li> </ul>                                                                                                                                                                          |
| September 2, 2025        | mCLASS Training                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| September 16 & 17, 2025  | Forefront Training                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| September 22, 2025       | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Amplify CKLA (includes unit unpacking)</li> <li>• Place-Based Learning (Specials Teachers)</li> <li>• Special Services PD: Dyslexia, Assistive Tech with NEAT, School Psychology Evaluations</li> </ul> |
| October 8 & 9, 2025      | Bridges Coaching Visit                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| October 10, 2025         | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Bridges in Mathematics (Next Step Guide, Tier 1 differentiation)</li> <li>• Bridges Intervention</li> <li>• Place-Based Learning (Specials Teachers)</li> </ul>                                         |
| November 4, 2025         | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Bridges in Mathematics</li> <li>• Amplify CKLA (unit unpacking)</li> </ul>                                                                                                                              |
| December 9, 2025         | Bridges in Mathematics                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| January 27, 2026         | Amplify CKLA                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| February 18, 2026        | Bridges in Mathematics                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| March 30 & April 1, 2026 | Bridges Coaching Visit                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| April 2, 2026            | Amplify CKLA                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |

| Suffield Middle School |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
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| Date                   | Topic                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
| August 26, 2025        | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Expanding Our Tier 1 Toolbox</li> <li>• RULER Launch</li> <li>• PAWS/THRIVE Collaboration</li> </ul>                                                                                     |
| September 16, 2025     | Illustrative Mathematics (IM) Initial Meeting with Math Department                                                                                                                                                                |
| September 22, 2025     | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Expanding Our Tier 1 Toolbox</li> <li>• RULER</li> <li>• IM Reboot (Part 1)</li> <li>• Special Services PD: Dyslexia, Assistive Tech with NEAT, School Psychology Evaluations</li> </ul> |
| October 10, 2025       | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Expanding Our Tier 1 Toolbox</li> <li>• RULER</li> <li>• IM Reboot (Part 2)</li> </ul>                                                                                                   |

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| November 4, 2025  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Expanding Our Tier 1 Toolbox</li> <li>• RULER</li> </ul>                                                                                                                     |
| November 25, 2025 | IM Coaching Visit                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| December 9, 2025  | Expanding Our Tier 1 Toolbox                                                                                                                                                                                          |
| January 27, 2026  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Expanding Our Tier 1 Toolbox</li> <li>• RULER</li> <li>• IM</li> </ul>                                                                                                       |
| February 18, 2026 | Expanding Our Tier 1 Toolbox (choice workshops, examples below) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Place-Based Learning</li> <li>• AI and Durable Curriculum</li> <li>• Building Thinking Classrooms</li> </ul> |
| February 24, 2026 | IM Coaching Visit                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| April 2, 2026     | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Expanding Our Tier 1 Toolbox with AI</li> <li>• IM</li> </ul>                                                                                                                |

| Suffield High School |                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
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| Date                 | Topic                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| August 26, 2025      | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Expanding Our Tier 1 Toolbox</li> <li>• RULER Launch</li> </ul>                                                                                                              |
| September 22, 2025   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Expanding Our Tier 1 Toolbox</li> <li>• RULER</li> <li>• Special Services PD: Dyslexia, Assistive Tech with NEAT, School Psychology Evaluations</li> </ul>                   |
| October 10, 2025     | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Expanding Our Tier 1 Toolbox</li> <li>• RULER</li> </ul>                                                                                                                     |
| November 4, 2025     | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Expanding Our Tier 1 Toolbox</li> <li>• RULER</li> </ul>                                                                                                                     |
| December 9, 2025     | Expanding Our Tier 1 Toolbox                                                                                                                                                                                          |
| January 27, 2026     | Expanding Our Tier 1 Toolbox with AI                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| February 18, 2026    | Expanding Our Tier 1 Toolbox (choice workshops, examples below) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Place-Based Learning</li> <li>• AI and Durable Curriculum</li> <li>• Building Thinking Classrooms</li> </ul> |
| April 2, 2026        | RULER                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |

