Pequea Valley School District

Where Each Learner Counts

Curriculum & Instruction

Dates	PV First Ten Early Literacy
	Highlights: ● Provided new books for each of the 263 children who received Christmas gifts during The Factory's Annual gift event. ● Hosted Merry Makers STEM themed Early Learning Holiday Party on December 18th for 20 families which included 31 children and 23 parents/caregivers. ● Partnered with The Factory in hosting the Annual Tree Lighting and Gingerbread House Event for 175 community members. ● Completed Curious Cook Series 16 families 26 families attended. Current Projects for December: ● Hosted STEM Connections session, Holiday Book Club, Merry Makers STEM themed party, and Curious Cooks Club. ● Provided activities and support to classrooms as learners came over to our Brave Kids Learning center space for the Paradise PTOs holiday shop during the week of December 8th. ● Helped plan and facilitate the Factory's annual tree lighting and gingerbread house event, working with The Factory preparing family gift bags and attended the gift wrapping event. ● Attended First Choice Discovery Mentor Program breakfast on December 19th. New Upcoming : ● Plan and promote the Kick-Off to Kindergarten event being held on February 4th. ● Work with Penn State Extension's Nutrition Links program promoting and planning for a 6-week series on "Learn to Eat Healthy on a Budget" for families

	to start in February. ● Start Winter Book Club and Open Gym sessions beginning on January 7th. ● Begin planning and promote registration for Kinder Club (weekly program for incoming kindergarten learners) which will begin in March. ● Start to make plans for kindergarten transition nights, screenings and camp. ● Begin to look at summer programming ideas and make plans to meet with the elementary team to discuss.

Dates	Elementary Curriculum Topics
	● Held a PSSA "text dependent analysis" professional development session for learning facilitators of upper tested grades. Participants had the opportunity to create PSSA TDA models to utilize with learners in upcoming units.
	● Held our quarterly district-wide (K-12th Grade) MTSS team planning session that had a focus on: ○ Spelling and Writing ■ Resources- Tier 1 ● UFLI spelling k-2 ● IXL Spelling ● Iowa Center ● Spelling Shed ● Spellography- 95% Phonics ■ Iowa Center for Reading Research ○ CKLA Edition 2 vs 3 ■ Rubric ○ Compare writing lessons, spelling, science units ○ Each grade will receive copy of Edition 3 ■ Time will be set aside on February 13th for facilitators at each building to compare 2nd edition to 3rd edition ○ Progress Monitoring ■ How often ○ Meetings- structure and protocols ■ Schedule for MTSS meetings ● Next Meeting on February 23rd ○ Focus on Comparing edition 2 and 3
	● Mid-Year diagnostic assessments are taking place between now and January 12th at which time grade level and content areas will be meeting to review and adjust instructional groups and plans accordingly.

Dates	Middle & High School Curriculum Topics
	● Mid-Year diagnostic assessments are taking place between now and January 12th at which time grade level and content areas will be meeting to review and adjust instructional groups and plans accordingly.
	● Participated in the IU13 Career Readiness Collaborative with our First Choice Career Coordinator Jared Erb. Focal areas: Cross-district Discussions ● How do you communicate career opportunities with your learners? ● How do you create system approaches to district-wide career readiness programs? ● Creating more work-based learning opportunities for learners?

Dates	School Data & State Assessments & National Tests
	● All 3rd grade PSSA through Keystones will be administered online for the first time this spring. (PDE SAS Site Training Tools)
	● Submitted the Federal Program Title I, II, and IV performance goals reporting.

Dates	General
	● Participated in the IU13 Assistant Superintendent Curriculum group session. Focal areas: ○ Act 135 Literacy Initiative Training Updates ○ Hardwiring Excellence in Education - “Recognizing and Rewarding Success” ○ Act 35 Civics Assessment Reporting ○ All 3rd grade PSSA through Keystones will be administered online for the first time this spring. (PDE SAS Site Training Tools) ○ College Board addition of AP Personal Finance and Cyber Security
	● We have been selected to receive our required three year Federal Program Title I, II, and IV audit during the second portion of the year. Initial required training starts Jan 20th.
	● Hosted the CEO and assistant CEO of the Steinman Foundation and the Lancaster STEM Alliance. We presented our First Choice vision and provided an in-depth tour.

	● Allen Apgar and Dan Holler attended the January 6th Tech Media Integrator's Collaborative which was hosted by the IU13 at Just Press Play in Lancaster. The workshop focused on gamification and included presentations from instructional coaches about how they are integrating gamification into their districts. Our Instructional Technology Team will be exploring the best ways to incorporate additional gamification through technology in our elementary and secondary classrooms. ● In the afternoon, Holly Morano, Jill Youndt, and Dan Holler attended a joint Tech Media / Librarian Collaborative workshop on "Building a Shared Vision for Digital Learning". This workshop brought together librarians and instructional coaches from across IU13 for collaborative discussions about the role of technology in teaching and learning.