

Instructional Planning Council – April 12th, 2016

The Instructional Planning Council is made up of representatives from all component districts as well as TST BOCES. Each year the Instructional Planning Council creates a set of regional priorities that are student centered, systemic and data-informed. The council meets monthly to promote both organizational learning and teacher learning that leads to positive measurable outcomes for students.

Attendance:

Alexis Abramo, SUNY Cortland
Jennifer Astles, TST BOCES
Melissa Butler, South Seneca
Cheryl Button, TST BOCES
Christopher Davis, GJR
Barry Derfel, TST BOCES
Justin DiMatteo, TST BOCES
Beth Dryer, TST BOCES
Lauren Faessler, TST BOCES/Lansing
Leon Ginenthal, ICSD

Jennifer Gondek, TST BOCES
Earl Hardy, GJR
Karen McLaughlin, GJR
Sunshine Miller, TST BOCES
Jane O'Brien, TST BOCES
Rhody O'Donnell, LGTC
Lorraine Tracy, GJR
Tom Watts, GJR
Lynn VanDeWeert, ICSD
Angela Gemignani, Trumansburg

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To Do:

- Melissa Butler would appreciate colleagues communicating with her about ways to provide interventions *across the tiers* to support student learning. We will put this onto the October agenda, to begin a regional dialogue.

General Notes:

- SIS Team Updates - We provided updates about the following items:
 - Regional Priority Setting will be done at the May IPC meeting. We will use a process similar to what we did last year. A survey will be sent out in next week's TST School Improvement Services Weekly Bulletin, to begin eliciting input from educators throughout the region. Information about how we did this last year can be found here - <http://tstboces.org/instructional-services/regional-priorities/>
 - Barry shared the rationale behind the Unit Planning for All Learners, which is starting this summer, and will be continuing over the course of the next few years. The rationale behind this work has already been shared with Superintendents and Principals, and they are very supportive of this effort. See attached for more details.

- Beth shared information about the work she will be facilitating regarding Next Generation Science Standards. A kickoff event is coming up in May - *Building and Communicating a Collective Vision for Science Education in NYS*. See the attached for more details.
- Allison Peet created a 2nd School Improvement Services Independent Study Offering, called: *Making Number Talks Matter – Literature Based, Self-Guided Professional Development*. Like the *Formative Assessment Independent Study*, participants can sign up via mylearningplan.com, and Allison will provide them with feedback and support as they work on this at their own rate and in their own time. A flier with this information will be included in next week's TST School Improvement Services Weekly Bulletin.
- TST School Improvement Services summer professional development, other than the Unit Planning Series.
 - TST Google Camp will be held on Tuesday, June 28th. More information will be out within the next few weeks.
 - UDL/UbD Primer Session. Think of this as pre-teaching for the Unit Planning Series, although it is not a pre-requisite for participating in a series. Monday, June 27th from 8:30 – 3:00. More information will be out soon.
 - Inclusive Education Offerings: See attached for more details. A flier will be out shortly.
 - Progress Monitoring Resources Make and Take
 - Setting Up Your Progress Monitoring System for IEP's
 - Online Book Group – Mindset
 - Effective and Practical Co-Teaching
- Digging into Domain 1 – **Planning and Preparation**. The attached PDF shows the charts that each group created to summarize the elements and indicators for each component, and to communicate the key differences between two different levels of proficiency for their component.

Around the table:

Angie – Trumansburg is continuing a big push for STEM and Project Based Learning. *Project Lead the Way* is the approach we are taking for this, and the teachers are really enjoying it. We also have 38 STEM leaders in the field from our community who are coming into school so that students can rotate through workshops to learn more about this. We will be hiring a work-based learning coordinator, grades 7 – 12.

Lee – We are looking at the “re-configured” Danielson Rubric to ground our training for all of our un-tenured teachers, and we are working with principals to help them also use this as professional development in staff meetings.

Tom – We try as much as possible to embed our work in the classroom, with our coaches, and we are trying to also connect this to our purchasing. Our data coach has really been helping us collect data around engagement, and helping us make use of this data in ways that are exciting.

Cheryl – At the request of the CSE Chairs, TST BOCES will be opening up a Primary Autism classroom.

Rhody – We are hoping to support some of the Unit Planning work this summer, especially the primer session, and we are also supporting NGSS work in the area. The flier with this information will be shared via the TST School Improvement Services Bulletin. We are also doing some work to support Google Apps for education, and math vocabulary.

Melissa – We are struggling with finding time to promote professional development, given the limited time available in the schedule. We are also struggling with the concept of learning targets, which we need to define well in order to create effective unit plans.

Jennifer – Tomorrow (4.13.16) Matt Bellace will be presenting at the Teen Leadership conference, as well as at the Hangar Theater on Wednesday, April 13th. For more information, view this [flier](#).

Alexis – We are collaborating with Beth to support the Unit Planning Series. We are going to invite school districts to attend a general jobs fair in the fall, as an effort to help create a pool of substitute teachers, drawing on the students in our Education Program.

Lauren – After this meeting we will be opening up the Responsive Classroom summer session to other districts. There are 9 openings.

Sunshine – A reminder about the Anne Frank Project events that are scheduled for this spring. This information will be shared in next week’s TST School Improvement Services Weekly Bulletin. Sunny is partnering with the Multicultural Resource Center to facilitate a viewing of *The Good Mind*. More information will be out short.

Notes taken by,
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