

To: Mr. Watts, Superintendent  
Ms. Malone, Chairperson of the Board  
Members of the Board of Education

## **April Curriculum Department Highlights**

### **Summer School**

The Curriculum Department and Superintendent Watts collaboratively developed a guidance document for building administrators to utilize in developing their Summer Learning Plans. The focus of the guidance was to assist the buildings in determining the purpose (how the “why”) is communicated, resources, scheduling, lesson planning, monitoring, communication with all stakeholders, and student achievement feedback to students and parents. During a Cabinet meeting, principals shared their Summer Learning Plan and provided feedback for improvements.

Also, the Curriculum Department, building curriculum coaches and KDE Educational Recovery Specialists are continuing the pre and post assessment preparation work for summer school. The team has participated in MasteryConnect Training to design the pre and post assessments. Currently, the team is in the process of developing those assessments in collaboration with co-partner to ensure rigor to the standards. We have determined expectations to guide the assessment work for accuracy standard congruence:

- Number of questions per standard to determine mastery
- Number of questions per DOK levels for each standard
- Cut scores to indicate if a student is Exceeding Mastery, Mastery and Not Mastery per standard

The implementation timeline for designing, administering, and analyzing the Pre & Post Assessments is listed below:

| DATE(S)                 | ACTIVITY  |
|-------------------------|---|
| March 25th - April 28th | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● MasteryConnect training for district team, including curriculum department, building curriculum coaches, and KDE Educational Recovery Specialist</li> <li>● Designing Pre and Post Assessments for Identified Standards --completion on April 28th</li> <li>● Building admin submitted Assessment Plans</li> </ul> |
| April 26th - May 21     | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Proctor the Pre-Assessment <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Building admin have submitted their testing dates and times</li> </ul> </li> </ul>   |
| May 24 - June 2nd       | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Pre-Assessment Data Analysis <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Building admin have scheduled dates and times for teachers to analyze the pre-assessment data</li> </ul> </li> </ul>   |
| June 3rd - 4th          | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Teachers will utilize Pre-Assessment data to plan instruction and assessment probes for the Summer School Program</li> </ul>   |
| July 1st & 2nd          | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Proctor the Post-Assessment</li> </ul>   |
| July                    | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Scoring and Analyze Post-Assessment Data</li> <li>● Use data to plan for Summer School in July or RtI instruction for the 2021-22 school year</li> </ul>   |

### **CSIP Monitoring Support**

The Curriculum Department and Superintendent Watts began Quarterly CSIP Monitoring Meetings. The goal for the Quarterly Monitoring Meeting is to review evidence of implementation, impact checks, and evaluation of the effectiveness based on the strategies and activities within their CSIP. This provides an opportunity to periodically gauge whether a school is on course to reach its goals and in the event it is not, we can reassess the plan and adjust accordingly. This process will allow us to uncover possible areas of needed support within their continuous improvement efforts.

### **Assessment**

#### **ACCESS Testing Window: March 1 – May 7 (Federal Requirement)**

Standards-based English language proficiency test for K-12 English Language Learners (ELLs)

#### **Upcoming Spring Assessments**

##### **Measures of Academic Progress (MAP): May 10-May 28**

- Gr. K-10
- Reading & Math
- May 10 - 28
- District Required

##### **K-Prep: May 11-May 28**

- Gr. 3-8, 10, 11
- Reading, Math, Science, On Demand Writing
- May 11 - 28
- State Required

### **Federal Funds**

#### **SIF**

Final feedback from KDE regarding our use of funds and processes to evaluate our resources was received this month. Schools were complimented on their procedures and work in collaboration with district staff to ensure funds were allocated appropriately. Spending of funds for the initial funds will be expended by September 30, 2021.

Respectfully Submitted,

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