Fairfield's C&I Update



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2018-19 School Year – Another Great Year!

Now that we have several weeks of school under our belts, it can be easy to forget the excitement that came with Opening Day and the first day with students. Rather than slow down, let's continue to plan engaging, exciting learning opportunities for our students. They are ready for the challenges you put in front of them!

To help you accomplish your classroom goals, the District Leadership Team (DLT) in combination with all of the Building Leadership Teams (BLTs), took an entire year to develop an improvement plan for our district that sets us on a course for student success. It has two main goals.

- Goal #1: By the end of the 2020-2021 school year, 100% of FCSD students will demonstrate academic achievement and growth as evidenced by the Local Report Card.
- Goal #2: By the end of the 2020-2021 school year, 100% of FCSD students will have daily opportunities to foster meaningful relationships with peers and adults utilizing both district and community resources.

The entire improvement plan, with specific action steps, can be found on the Office of Curriculum & Instruction SharePoint site, in the DLT/BLT/TBT Information tab or at the link found below.

Throughout this year we will continue to "fill your toolbox" with research based instructional strategies designed to help students access the content, utilize data to make good decisions for our students, and ensure we are serving the whole child through socialemotional supports. We will also "take the pulse" of how we are doing through both staff and student surveys a couple times throughout the year.

Let's make this year another great one!

Lani

To view the entire improvement plan, with specific action steps, click <u>here</u> and sign in to Office365.

Did You Know?

NWEA has released the 2018 MAP Growth linking study for Ohio's State Tests. This study will help you accurately predict performance on Ohio's State Tests as early as possible and identify students who are at risk of failing to meet standards – so they can receive necessary resources and assistance to meet their goals. This year's MAP Growth reports will include the newest predictions of your students' Ohio's State Tests scores. These will be reflected in your Class Breakdown by Proficiency report, Projected Proficiency Summary report, Comprehensive Data File, and individual Student Profile reports. Please note, if you re-run any reports that were initially generated prior to August 18th, you will see the new predictions applied to ensure the most accurate information is reflected for your students.

To access the Projection of Performance Level Score Ranges for each grade level and content area, please follow this <u>link</u> and then refer to pages 16-18.

Rob Beidelman

"The Office of C&I SharePoint site includes helpful SmartSheets!"



Fairfield is Forging Ahead with Technology!

Tech requires updates and maintenance to run smoothly, and this process can cause little "hiccups" from time to time. Your tech team is here to help you. A few things to remember:

- If you are on the web and something doesn't work – try a different browser.
- 2. Tech needs to be turned off from time to time. Usually "soft" restarts can fix things; but sometimes you need to turn it completely off, wait about 30 seconds, and then turn it back on again.
- We have LOTS of SmartSheets available to help you at SharePoint>Office of C&I>Technology. Programs with multiple sheets have their own folder. At the bottom of this folder is a "Technology Tips" document with a few general things to help you.
- When you need help, put in a technology help desk ticket. Include as much information as you can about the problem.
- 5. If emailing a question to Dan, Katie or Lori, please include as much information as possible including your building and room number. If the problem is with a student account, please include the program, student's full name, ID, grade, and building. This helps reduce the amount of emails sent back seeking more information and cluttering up your inbox.

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Literacy Corner

As most of you know, our district was awarded the Striving Readers Grant last spring. Part of this grant allows for a literacy coach to be at each of middle schools. Jen Lewis is at Creekside and Lauren Sweeney is at Crossroads. Each month, we will use this space to offer a literacy tip for your classroom. This month, we just want to take a moment to introduce ourselves and let you know that we are here to help! Some ways we can help:

- co-teach a lesson with you
- help plan a lesson with you
- find resources for a particular lesson
- observe a student in order to help brainstorm possible interventions
- other needs as requested

Even if you are not a middle school teacher, let us know if there is something we can do to promote literacy in your classroom. We hope your school year is off to a great start, and we look forward to working with you!

Jen Lewis and Lauren Sweeney

Around the District...

