

NWESD Coordinator Updates

September, 2015

Science

OSPI Science

- CTE have completed alignment to NGSS for equivalencies and are now working on supporting implementation in the classroom.
- Elementary NGSS Moodle being developed for teachers.
- Shifting some energy into trying to support teachers in seeing engineering as infused throughout instruction rather than merely being a bookend (or a destination) of science instruction. In other words: using engineering to teach science, not just as a project after learning science.

OSPI Assessment

- The collaborative member states have very diverse needs. They have developed blueprints (unavailable at this time) for new tests. Washington's assessment will be developed in WA for WA.
- Recruitment underway for NGSS-based item writing process (Oct through Dec).
 - Notices sent out through new GovDelivery service. Sign up here: [LINK](#)
- NGSS-based assessments in Grades 5, 8, and 11.
 - Integrated assessment at all levels.
 - Developed using grade band Performance Expectations: 3-5, MS, and HS
 - Pilot test items included in 2016-17 MSPs and some TBD HS online stand-alone.
 - **SHIFT: Students will not be ready for a 5th grade assessment if science is not taught in grades K-4. Students will not be ready for an 11th grade integrated assessment unless all content areas prepared by end of 11th grade.**
 - Any changes and announcements from OSPI around MSP/EOC transition timelines will apply to a student based on the student's graduating class upon matriculation into high school.

OSPI Science Fellows, Cadre 1 (by application)

- Demographics:
 - By County: Snohomish: 5, Skagit: 7, San Juan: 1, Whatcom: 3.
 - By Grade band: Primary: 1, Intermediate: 5, Middle: 4, High: 6.
- Dates:
 - October 27 (creating action plans)
 - December 8 (refining action plans and further defining work)
 - Joining statewide LASER meeting: March 9-10.

Northwest Science Leadership Network (NW SLN)

- 3 team members (ES, MS, HS). Feel free to send science TOSA's or district science specialists with your team.
- South: 10/13, 02/10, 04/19
- North: 10/14, 02/11, 04/20
- [Registration Information](#)

PASTL: Partnership for Ambitious Science Teacher Leaders

- Working with Mark Windschittl's Ambitious Science Teaching group at UW.
- 2 weeks in Summer 2015.
- **Reflective Planning Days:** 10/20, 01/21, 03/17. **Studio Days:** 11/10, 02/04
- 2 weeks Summer 2016: (Week 1: June 27-30; and local Week 2: TBD)
 - Summer 2016 Week 2: expanding the practices regionally

ESSB 6052 for Math/Science EOC PD

- Work currently being defined. Keep an eye out for how to access the HS EOC trainings in Math and Biology EOC.

STEM Renewal Requirement for Teachers

- "Beginning in 2019, renewal applications for professional and continuing teacher certificates must document completion of at least 15 clock hours, or at least one goal from an annual professional growth plan (PGP), with an emphasis on STEM integration to meet this renewal requirement. STEM integration is the authentic combination of at least two of the STEM components (science, technology, engineering, mathematics)."
- Quoted from the PESB webpages in the STEM Renewal Requirement for Teachers [\[LINK\]](#)

Upcoming Workshops

- Deep Dive Into the NGSS - multiple dates available [\[Registration Information\]](#).

English and Language Arts

OSPI Assessment

- Interim Assessments (CAT) are same as 2014-15 and are not yet adaptable
- The 8th grade Interim Performance Task has changed
- Teacher Hand Scoring System materials are now located under THSS tab on TIDE
- Assessment Viewing Application (AVA) will allow test administrators to view and navigate a full interim test (coming soon)

Fellows

- Support district implementation of ELA CCSS by focusing on shifts in instructional practice to increase student learning
- Promote the growth of literacy leaders in order for Fellows to deliver meaningful professional development in their district

- Our region has 15 Fellows (10 Snohomish Co., 3 Whatcom Co., 2 Skagit Co.)
- Meeting dates: Oct 27, Dec 8, Feb 23, and Apr 26.

Literacy Learning Network (LLN)

- Support the efforts of our schools to improve literacy instruction and student achievement through collaboration, evidence-based research, and instructional best practices
- Promote and support literacy leaders to ensure a consistent message about literacy initiatives between OSPI, the ESD, and regional school districts
- Meeting dates are Oct. 13, Nov. 10, Dec. 7, Jan. 12, Feb. 9, Mar. 15, and May 17
- [Registration Information](#)

Regional Work

- Support districts with understanding how to use Interim Assessments to inform instruction
- Provide Washington Reading Corps K-6 reading professional development sessions; our ESD has the largest number of WRC sites with 22 schools or community organizations

Upcoming Workshops

- Learning to Love Big Words: Decoding and Vocabulary Strategies, Oct. 7; 8:30-3:30
- Integrating Close Reading Into What You Already Teach, Oct. 22, 8:30-3:30
- [Registration Information](#)

Mathematics

OSPI

- [Engage NY Users Group](#)
Bethel School District and a number of districts have created an Engage NY Users Group Wikki. The goal is to have a place to share these resources with other districts and a platform where teachers can collaborate with one another to support implementation of Engage NY. Puget Sound ESD will now be partnering with Bethel to continue this work during the 2015-2016 school year. For more information including Secondary User Group please contact, Ann Gallagher at anne.gallagher@k12.wa.us.
- Computer Science Standards and Financial Learning Standards for K-12 will most likely be adopted by Washington State
- [Menu of Best Practice for LAP](#) Please pass this on and help bring awareness of this critical resource and support for mathematics instruction. Possible task of Fellows???

Fellows

- Promote a common vision of effective mathematics instruction throughout Washington state with a focus on the Washington State content and practice standards
- Develop modules for use in districts based on the book *Principles to Actions* by, NCTM

- Work as a collaborative group to develop leadership capacity and facilitation skills in order for Fellows to deliver meaningful learning experiences in their respective buildings or districts
- Our region has 14 math Fellows
- Meeting Dates are Oct. 27, Dec. 8, Feb 23 and April 26
- Debrief email to follow so district administrators are informed of what learning experiences Math Fellows can provide in their districts

Math Leadership Network

- Continue to deeply learn the grade band content in the Washington State Learning Standards and instructional practices that increase student sense making in mathematics
- Develop a Professional Learning Community to foster collaboration focused on effective mathematics instructional strategies
- Meeting Dates are Oct. 20, Dec. 3, March 17 and May 24.
- To register contact Nancy Menard at nmenard@nwesd.org.

Regional Work

- Meeting with MEC teachers with bi-monthly to continue our learning and to plan for Math Studio experiences throughout the year.
- Early planning stages of summer content course in Ratio and Proportions and Expressions and Equations for teachers Grades 5-9
- Supporting Bridges User Group to facilitate implementation of new curriculum and deeper content knowledge and instructional capacity for Washington State Learning Standards in Mathematics

Upcoming Workshops

- Making Number Talks Matter Practicum: Oct. 20. Dec.3 and March 17 from 4-6 PM
- Questioning for Learning Nov. 10, Jan. 12 from 4-7 PM
- [Registration Information](#)

Student & School Success

Upcoming Workshops

- Turning High-Poverty Schools into High-Performing Schools: Nov. 23 and February 8 from 8:30-3:30 [[Flyer](#)]
- Priority registration given to schools identified as Focus or Priority and Migrant project schools.
- Contact Anita Garcia-Holzemer at agarcia@nwesd.org to register your team.

Migrant Education Program

Bilingual/Migrant Updates (Webinars)

- Title 111 Improvement Plan: Oct. 2 from 9-12
- MEP/BEP Updates: Oct. 23, Jan. 15, April 1, and June 3 from 9-12

- iGrants Training: February 26 from 9-12

Upcoming Workshops

- Literacy in the Service of Science: Sept. 29 [[Registration](#)]
- Academic Language Development: Dec. 3 and January 14 [[Registration](#)]
- Promoting Student Discourse in Mathematics Through High Level Tasks: November 4 and December 9. Registration available soon!
- Migrant Parent Conference: November 14 from 8:30-3:30. Registration available soon!

Early Learning

OSPI

- State-funded full-day kindergarten is rolling out all over Washington, with almost 72% of kindergarten students participating this year.
- To assist administrators and teachers in implementing a full-day kindergarten program, OSPI developed the Washington State Still in draft form, [Full-Day Kindergarten Guide](#).

Upcoming Workshops

- Kindergarten Leadership Series: November 6, February 26 & May 6, 9am – 4 pm
- Learning Centers in the Kindergarten Classroom (OSPI FDK Module 2): September 30, 8:30am – 4pm
- Learning Environment in Kindergarten Classroom (OSPI FDK Module 3): October 3, 8:30am – 4pm
- Foundations of Literacy Overview with David Matteson PreK – 3rd: Fri., Oct. 16, 8:30am – 3:30pm
- Foundations of Literacy 3-Part Seminar with David Matteson & Sherri Laboon (Overview is a prerequisite)
 - PreK & K: Jan. 22, Mar. 18 & April 15, 8:30am – 3:30pm
 - Grades 1-3: Jan. 15, Mar. 25 & April 15, 8:30am – 3:30pm
- [Registration Information](#)

TPEP

- TPEP Roundtable Meetings scheduled. These meetings will be a great opportunity to find out what other districts are doing to create coherence with the Teacher/Principal Evaluation, CCSS, and SBAC. Districts will share how they are implementing student growth goals into their system.
- Human Resource Support Sessions. The first session is being held on 9/24/15 at 9 a.m.
- Full listing of TPEP offerings can be viewed [HERE](#).

District Assessment Coordinators

- The District Assessment Coordinators meeting are scheduled for Nov 13, Jan 7, Mar 18, and June 21.

- OSPI is offering a continuing webinar series about WaKIDS, WA-AIM, ELPA21, EOC, NAEP, and Smarter Balanced. These webinars are recorded and posted on the website in case you aren't able to join "live". Register for the following webinars by clicking on the date(s). All webinars begin at 3:30 p.m. unless otherwise indicated.
 - [September 29, 2015](#)
 - [November 17, 2015](#)
 - [February 2, 2016](#)
 - [March 1, 2016](#)
 - [May 10, 2016](#)

Technology

- Technology TOSA Roundtable Meetings are being planned and will be announced when dates have been confirmed.

Transition to Concept-based Curriculum & Instruction

This workshop being facilitated by Lynn Erickson is taking place at NWESD on October 29th. Priority registration is being offered to Curriculum Directors so register your team now! Registration will open to the general audience 9/21/15. [Register Here](#).

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