

**Onondaga County High School Principals Consortium Meeting  
Wednesday, November 13, 2013**

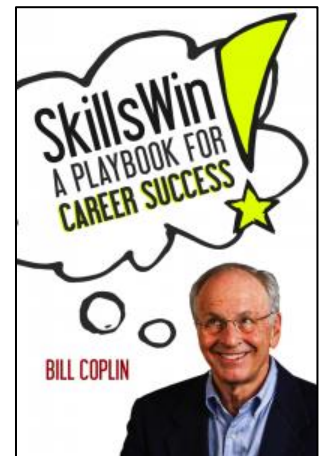
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**Updates**

- [SED Update](#) and [assessment update](#)
- Don DeJohn mentioned that SED has to re-apply for the NCLB waiver and that they are considering which accountability measures to use for high school. If you have suggestions please let Don know.

**Meeting Topics**

- **Common Core implementation (discussion continued)**
  - SED is expected to ask the Board of Regents to permit multiple cut points to be set on the new Common Core A1 exam.
  - The Regents meet next week and will consider it at that time. Stay tuned.
- **College Board**
  - Folders with data were distributed
  - Erin from The College Board explained how the PSAT is related to SAT and AP scores
  - Resources were distributed and she described which reports are available to districts
  - Discussion at the meeting indicated that the number of students taking the ACT is on the rise
- **Skills Win: A Playbook for Career Success**
  - These are very practical skills that students need for college and career
  - A copy of the book was provided to each principal in attendance
  - In late January there will be an informational session/book signing/book give-away
- **2014 Law Conference**
  - It will be held on July 31, 2014 at the Doubletree Hotel
  - This conference is replacing the SU law conference
  - Topics we want to see in agenda:
    - Social media, including search and seizure of devices
    - Mandatory reporting
    - Cyberbullying and expectations for a school's response
    - Update about expedited 3020A
    - How to avoid (or win) appeals to the Commissioner
    - What are the legal responsibilities about sharing school data with the state's third parties? What rights do parents have to opt out?
    - Is there any proper course of action to take over controversial reading material on the state's suggested list and in the modules
- **Roundtable**
  - What do you do about controversial reading material?



- Send the list home to parents in advance of the year
- Make sure kids always have choices
- Send a syllabus home at the beginning of the year and require parents to sign it
- Have alternatives to the controversial books
- Send the reading list home in advance
- BYOB
  - More and more teachers are embracing
  - It is inevitable
  - FM has a BYOD policy this year but it doesn't [yet] include cell phones
  - We should model how to use these devices properly; teach students responsible and productive use
  - More and more schools are allowing schools to use phones during passing time and lunch
  - Phones are increasingly being used as clickers/responders
- Names of the student LGBT club
  - Axco
  - Gay Straight Alliance
  - Project Change
  - the kids choose their name each year

**Future meetings (and locations)**

- January 15, 2014, Distance learning Center, Administration Building, Henry Campus (will include presentation about the National Clearinghouse data)
- March 12, 2014, Distance learning Center, Administration Building, Henry Campus
- April 9, 2014, Distance learning Center, Administration Building, Henry Campus
- May 14, 2014, Breakfast location