

# BOCES Curriculum and Instruction Council September 19, 2013

### Précis

## Updates

- SED updates
- Legislative Update
  - No update
- Instructional Technology and Design (ITD
  - There is a lot planned for the year, check out the <u>website</u> for information about training, ITD TALKS, and more.
- Curriculum, Instruction & Assessment (CIA)
  - o Standards-Based Planning for the 21<sup>st</sup> Century
  - Project Based Learning 101
  - Responsive Classroom 1
  - Formative Assessment Strategies
  - Other offerings
- Teacher Centers
  - Event list went out
  - Teacher Welcome Project went very well might be repeated next year\
  - o <u>Website</u>
- Higher Education
  - No Update
- CNY NYS ASCD (<u>website</u>)
  - Data-Driven Instruction theme for the year
  - October 9, 2013: What's a PLC, Really?
  - December 10, 2013 How To Talk (About Common Formative Assessments)
  - February 27, 2014 Now What? (Tier 1 Strategies)
  - March 19, 2014 How Do I Teach Every Kid? (Meeting the Needs of Diverse Learners)
  - May 15, 2014 Annual Meeting at Dinosaur
- Grant Writing Service
  - <u>Description</u> of different levels of service
  - Contact Elaina Renfrew with questions
- Home School Service
  - There has been some interest
  - OCM BOCES will find out a little more about what other BOCES do and report to the CSA committee
- CNY LDP (<u>website</u>)
  - Year One Cohort includes North Syracuse, FM, and Liverpool
  - Year Two continues with North Syracuse and FM

### Race To The Top

- Expectations and Metrics
  - o SED issued its metrics and expectations document

- Work is being done through the Network Team Leaders group on a document that would show what total implementation of the Reform Agenda/RTTT would look like
- Materials Selection
  - A copy of the binder from the August training was sent to each Network Team district who did not attend the training
  - Districts are encouraged to take all materials selection decisions very seriously and to employ the thorough process described in the material to such decisions
- Standards
  - We created a <u>chart</u> that displays each district's plans for the modules. This is a Google doc; districts are encouraged to verify the accuracy of their entry and to make corrections as changes in plans occur
  - <u>ELA module support</u> is scheduled, differentiated for adopters and others
  - <u>Math module support</u> is scheduled, differentiated for adopters and others



- The window for <u>providing feedback</u> about the Next Generation Science Standards is open until October 15<sup>th</sup>
- o Support for Common Core Research was introduced
  - Regional training on October 25<sup>th</sup> is scheduled
  - Follow-up sessions will be scheduled
  - Web <u>resources</u> are being provided
- Data-Driven Instruction
  - Six shifts of DDI
  - o <u>Resources</u>
  - Professional Practice (including APPR)
    - Providing scores to parents
      - There have not been many requests
      - 67% of districts are employing the regional writing/writing approach
      - Another 30% of districts are using a writing/verbal approach
      - Web <u>resources</u>
    - Lead Evaluator Training: Year One is underway; <u>ongoing training</u> begins October 28th
    - Principal Evaluator Training: not enough Year One requests; <u>ongoing</u> <u>training</u> begins October 9th
- Culture
  - Mike Mattos is tentatively set to be here on October 24, 201<u>4</u> as part of a "Turn your Rtl Upside-Down" event. We are now looking for a large enough venue.
- Long-term planning for RTTT (and example plan)
  - Districts are being encouraged to develop a multi-year plan for the implementation of RTTT/Reform Agenda expectations and deliverables.
  - An <u>example of a plan</u> is available. It is not meant as something that a district would adopt, but rather a tool that a district could adapt or refer to in your own long-term plan.
- Network Team Finances
  - o The need to adjust billing procedures was discussed
  - Boilerplate language for a no-cost extension will be provided to districts

#### **Other Business**

- The Enterprise America (WCNY) construction has begun; they are behind schedule.
- The summary report from Regional Summer School has been distributed to superintendents and high school principals.
- Another trip to Tech Valley High School for representatives from government and higher education is being planned for October
- PBL-NY will occur August 5-7, 2014. Keynote speakers will include Yong Zhao, Sam Chaltain, and others.

#### Assessment

- Regents Regional Scoring
  - All exams and scorers were at designated places and times
  - Tully hosting and facilities were outstanding
  - First take at "mixing cultures"
  - Networking and sharing across districts with some future plans made
  - Next time:
    - Scoring leaders need teacher leaders for consistency- perhaps then not have them score
    - Have more OCM BOCES staff on site –especially in mornings
    - Explicit directions for packing and shipping student papers
    - Updated rosters
    - Keep teams and papers by district (thus all papers from single district were scored by same scoring team)
  - This is a cultural shift: teachers struggled with not knowing final scorers for individual students
  - This is a cultural shift: some teacher teams struggled to trust colleagues
  - This is a cultural shift: some reluctance to be teacher leader- trainer to review scoring expectations and rubrics
  - When the technology works, life is good
- 3-8 Regional Assessment Planning and Preparation
  - Calendars and cluster grouping has started (but is not settled)
  - After BCIC in October there will be a presentation from a vendor

#### **Future Meeting Planning**

The next BCIC meeting is October 17, 2013, in the Henry Large Conference Room. The focus will be: "Still Thinking about Assessment."