

**Middle Level Principals Meeting
Tuesday, September 22, 2015**

Précis

Updates

- SED [Update](#)
- [Information](#) about APPR

Meeting Topics

- **Standards-Based Grading and Reporting**
 - Purpose of grading sort activity ([reproducible if you want to make these for yourself](#)). Doing this can highlight some of the different thinking about grading and can be used to prompt a discussion about the need for a more consistent approach.
 - Review of the plan for the year ([link to page](#) with flyer and registration)
 - Guskey and Jung November 3rd -- getting ready? Two books
 - Vatterott December 16th
 - Dueck February 9th
 - Example [survey](#) of grading practices – **MAKE A COPY** in DRIVE for you and then share it with staff. You will be able to use those data as a good discussion point.
 - Information about using state scores in school grades ([article](#))
- **Middle School Conference**
 - October 22-24, 2015, in Honeoye Falls, NY (outside Rochester)
 - [Preview](#) of Friday workshops
 - [Registration](#)
- **Roundtable**
 - Service Dogs
 - Some of the rules have been changing recently.
 - Two of our schools now have a guide dog (one for allergies and one for impending seizures).
 - This could be the beginning of a trend. It takes a little extra preparation and planning but once a routine is set it's manageable.
 - Whether a district has to provide the dog depends on how the 504 plan is written, so be careful with that.
 - [Click here](#) to access the resources from Liverpool Middle.

Future meetings (and locations)

- December 15, 9-10:30a, Rodax 8 Small Conference Room – Possible Legal Update from Dave Ciricillo (not yet confirmed)
- February 3, 9-10:30a, Science Center Conference Room
- March 31, 9-10:30a, Rodax 8 Small Conference Room

- May 26, 9-10:30a, Owasco Conference Room, Main Campus