2007-2008 JDMS Learning Map

	Essential/Guiding Question	Staff Meetings	The Midway (Letter & Readings)	Student Conduct	Supervision	Culture	Content Area Literacy	Supporting New Staff	Instruction	Parent Communication	
September	• How do we ensure that we start off the year on a positive note with all stakeholders?	 4th: Using the planner, crisis response flip-chart, student conduct, first week schedule, etc. 25th: 	 7th: Ten Timely Tools for Success on the First Days of School 14th: Back to School: Meeting the Parents 21st: Speak with Poise, Power and Pizzazz!! 28th: Classroom Assessment: Minute by Minute, Day by Day 	 Review with staff Pictionary Dining room processes and procedures Bus Treasure Chest readied Recognition referrals 	Get in EVERY classroom within 10 days Communicate evaluation schedule by 30th	 Ready birthday cards Chili's Reception on 7th Little sundaes right after group photo at end of 1st day Staff post-curriculum night breakfast (28th) 	Department Leaders building common understanding	 Welcome package presented at opening day lunch Stop in each class once per week; check in with each once per week ??th: Induction session 	Processes and procedures	 Curriculum nights (grades 5 & 7 on the 26th. grades 6 & 8 on the 27th) 5th grade picnic: 18th (need staff tee shirts) PTG meeting 18th: 	September
October	• How can we learn from each other?	 5th: Poverty study group panel discussion, staff goals show 23rd: Right to Know Meeting 	 5th: none 12th: JDMS Learning Program 19th: How Can We Learn From Each Other? 26th: Peer Observation Possibilities by Paula Rutherford 	Second round of emphasis on dining room behavior to prevent relaxation Recognition referrals push	 Mia: 1,2,3,4 Mike: 2,3,4,SA Jeff: 3,4,SA,1 Non-tenured announced evaluations 	School Bus Driver Appreciation Day: card delivered at drop off and donuts/coffee	Department Leaders building common understanding	Meet and share Instruction for All Students and JDMS Learning binder	Collaboration and planning	• PTG meeting 17 th :	October
November	• Is Excellence with Equity Attainable?	• 27 th : Developmental Assets presentation	 2nd: Tripod Project Overview 9th: Ferguson: Time Spent Studying and Doing Homework 16th: Ferguson: Why Students Work Hard 30th: December Dilema 	• Halls emphasis	• Mia: 2,3,4,SA Mike: 3,4,SA,1 Jeff: 4,SA,1,2 • Tenured announced evaluations	Secret Rammy Award JDMS Fleece orders	Department Leaders building common understanding	• 27 th : Induction session planning	Meeting the needs of all learners	• PTG meeting 28 th :	November
December	How can traditional strategies still work in today's classroom?	• None.	 7th: Framing the Learning When Presenting Information 14th: Demonstrations and Beyond 21st: Best and favorite Teacher 	• Student Dining Room Emphasis	• Mia: 3,4,SA, Mike: 4,SA,1 Jeff: SA,1,2 Kerri: 2, 3, 4 • Non-tenured unannounced evaluations	Holiday luncheon prepared by and served on December 19th Brush snow off cars Donuts/coffee dropped off at bus garage Lunch for custodians	Department Leaders building common understanding	Meet individually with all new teachers just checking in	No let down before holidays and breaks	 Holiday Shops Presentations at concerts 	December
January	• How can traditional strategies still work in today's classroom (continued)?	22 nd : Developmental assets, History Less on video from Jerry Seinfeld	 4th: Lectures 11th: Lectures with Discussion Partners 18th: Using Examples in lectures 25th: Analogies & Metaphors in Lectures 	 New signs and bulletin boards up Reminders via PA of school rules Tape down the middle of the halls 	 Mia: 4,SA,1,2,3 Mike: SA,1,2,3,4 Jeff: 1,2,3,SA Kerri: 3, 4, SA, 1 PGP progress meetings Unannounced evaluations completed 	 Roll of lifesavers in each mail box on random day College Sweatshirt Day Secret Rammy Award 	Department Leaders start action planning	• 10 th : Induction session on assessment	Strengthening traditional models of instruction, especially lectures and discussion	 Schedule/announce Coffee with the Principal sessions, Jeff's Office PTG Meeting on January 15th: Developmental Assets 	January

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February	• Informative Assessment	• 26th: Assessments activity, Ferris Bueller, model practices, offender status 2	 1st: Learning to Love Assessments by Carol Ann Tomlinson 8th: HW: A Few Practice Arrows by Susan Christopher 15th: The Rest of the Story by Tom Gusky 29th: NYSMSA Call for Presenters 	 Review games in grades 5, 6, 7 – using Jeopardy Meet with 8th grade teams to review end of year plans and expectations 	• Mia: SA,1,2 Mike: 1,2,3 Jeff: 2,3,4	Little Caesars pizza on the 10th Thanks for helping to harvest our potential message and candy	Department Leaders continue literacy action planning	• 7 th : Induction session on delivery	•	 12th: Dessert Concert 14th: DARE Graduation Feb 7th: Coffee with the Principals 	February
March	Planning for the unexpected	• 25 th : Sub folders and expectations	 7th: Keep Your Sub Afloat by Tiffany Grizzle 14th: Practical Classroom Tips from Teachers Like You from NEA 28th: Substitute Teacher Folder 	Reminders via PA of school rules	 Mia: 1,2,3,4 Mike: 2, 3, 4, SA Jeff: 3, 4, SA, 1 Part C teacher solicitation Meet with professional growth plan teachers; summary written 	Secret Rammy AwardBrush off carsCelebrations	Department Leaders continue literacy action planning	• 20 th : Superintendent's Conference Day	•	 PTG meeting 18th: March 8th: Parent Learning Forum Meeting for 4th grade parents on the 26th Coffee with the Principal sessions 	March
April	Planning for the unexpected	• 22 nd : Kaleidoscope Open House Planning	 4th: Substitute Teacher Folder 25th: Success Night 	New signs up Reminders via PA of school rules	 Mia: 2,3,4,SA Mike: 3,4,SA,1 Jeff: 4, SA,1,2 Part Cs completed Solicit PGP interest for next year (by 4/15) 	 Secret Rammy Award Break before break breakfast Little Kaleidoscopes in mailboxes with thank you after Open House 	Department Leaders attend Rachel Billmeyer training together	• 4 th : Induction session on continuous improvement	•	 Open house on the 30th April 3rd: Coffee with the Principal sessions 	April
May	How can we finish strong?	• 27 th : Open House slide show,	 2nd: Plan now for the last few weeks by Rick Wormelli 9th: Do teachers Contribute to End of the Year Syndrome? 16th: Time to Initiate a Plan for a Strong Finish 30th: Rethinking Advisory 	Reminders via PA of school rules	 Mia: 3,4,SA,1 Mike: 4,SA,1,2 Jeff: SA,1,2,3 Acceptance of PGPs for next year (by 5/15) TA evaluations written 	Secret Rammy Award JDMS Water Bottle and Milano cookie delivery	Department Leaders conclude action planning	Hire for next year	•	 Meeting for 5th grade parents on the 7th PTG meeting 13th: school budget information meeting Tour night for 4th grade families on the 19th Awards night on the 21st 	May
June	How can we finish strong?	• 26 th : End of the year ceremony	 6th: End of the year folder 13th: ELA and math scores 20th: 	Reminders via PA of school rules	 Mia: 4,SA Mike: 3,1 Jeff: 1,2, Professional Growth Plan summary meetings 	Celebrations and goodbyes.	Department Leaders present action plan to faculty	Hire for next year; new staff shadows	•	• 26 th : 8 th Grade Ceremony	June