

SIT Agenda

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October 14, 2015:

Attendees:

Chris Frodsham, Margaret Rogers, Emily Fama, Shawn Parris, Rachael Affron, Anita Clark, Dorthea Stewart, Kendra Plemmons, Amy Harrington, Sally Hundley

Information for the Team:

- Calendar Changes
 - raffron:** Rachael will share these with the staff
 - Need an Encore person to attend meeting on November 10 (Calendar Committee) due November 10
- External Review due October 23
 - Read School Improvement Plan prior to meeting <http://bms.haywood.k12.nc.us/our-school/school-improvement-team-sit/> due October 23
 - Organize class coverage for folks attending

Learning from Data:

- Sally's Fusion Data Questions Considered

Sally shared her Math Fusion data from EVAAS and asked for clarifying questions and thoughts regarding differences in student performance on EOG math tests.

 - Does knowing students for a year (or two) make them better placed into Fusion?

Conversations regarding upcoming 6th graders that are now happening with BES seem to have given great information that is leading to a better transition.
 - How can we personalize and reward the math journey to be similar to our reading journey in a year?
 - Does it take students a year to acclimate to Fusion/Sally's methods?
 - Did students receive a watered-down curriculum in Fusion as 6th graders?
 - Does teaming at 6th grade lead to some of the issues with the data?

Teaming for the past two years (3rd year in process) has led to gains at the sixth grade level. That was one of the nudges that has led to improvement over the past two years.
- Information from DPI Project Coordinator for Student Growth
 - Paul Marshall paul.marshall@dpi.nc.gov 919.807.4187

Data in Math across the grade span shows that:

- Our Students are growing in the 3 years that they are with us
- We are making strides in our work with 6th graders as a whole
- We need increased vertical collaboration mathematical 4-9 grades
- Any math changes that we make need to be nudges--not sweeping

Concerns from PLCs:

- Sixth Grade
 - Frustration with wireless and networking
New wiring is happening--has already led to great gains on lower hall

- Seventh Grade
 - Would love to have Amy Harrington share more of what she is doing in the classroom
 - How can we celebrate what our kids have achieved in our academic rankings as a school?
 - How is copier information being used?
Currently 2 weeks worth of copies at BMS cost \$500. We cannot continue at this rate---suggestions encouraged.

- Eighth Grade
 - Would love to have a covering for classroom doors for lockdown situations

- Encore
 - Would love to see covered walkways to keep kids safe during bad weather
 - Response--proposal has gone through to county level
 - Please share with Encore teachers as kids are having a tough day/have gotten in trouble

Upcoming Dates:

- October 23--External Review
- November 6--Veterans Day program
- November 12--Next SIT meeting