

Mapleton School Community Council Meeting Minutes

January 11, 2021

Present

Katie Thorpe, Stephanie Evans, Stephanie Ferweda, Julie Peery, Lisa Standifird, Shayne Hunsaker, Margie Jordan

Not in Attendance

Kristy Robertson

Minutes

- 1) Discussed a concern from last meeting. The computer is only filtered if students are on a school computer.
- 2) Also talked about **NetSmartz** and how those lessons could be viewed by parents and what parents can do with NetSmartz.
- 3) **Data Dive**- Normally we look at reading data more for the lower grades (k-3) and the math data more for the upper grades (4-6). This year we have to look at the data differently because we don't have the year-end information in any of our normal platforms for collecting data information.

Reading Data Last year each grade level had set a goal that was tied to Acadience Testing (Mrs. Peery has these goals). We looked at the difference between what the difference is between a year's worth of progress versus a year's worth of growth, and what that looks like for students. We looked at 2018-2019 goals by grade level and it was based on proficiency with growth. This is what was found.

1st grade goal- 29% increase in proficiency from beginning of year to end of year.

2nd grade goal - 16% increase in proficiency from beginning of year to end of year.

3rd grade goal- 10% increase in proficiency from beginning of year to end of year.

Kindergarten only focused on growth instead of proficiency.

One council member asked if the students this year had shown a decrease in the beginning of school data due to the Covid shutdown. In looking at the data comparisons, 1st-3rd grade actually showed an increase in the beginning of year data from the previous year. However, the data is unreliable with this due to the fact that students were tested in October rather than August/September and summer school was still held but at larger capacity to help overcome deficits. From the teachers standpoint, students did seem lower at the beginning of the year, but teachers were pleasantly surprised that they didn't seem much lower.

Math Data

Usually we use the end of level assessment for each school year to assess improvement in math. This didn't happen last year, so we have no math data from last year—at least not common assessment kind of data. We discussed moving from using the state end of level assessment to using our district created assessments instead. These are called Benchmark Assessments, and they are a valuable data collection tool because they show growth and guide instruction. It allows teachers to make adjustments to their teaching. Our only data tools we have in order to make comparisons this year are the iReady online assessment tool (but this hasn't been fully vetted yet as a reliable assessment tool) and the benchmark tests created by the district. This is why we discussed using that data to create our goals.

- 4) **School Improvement Plan:** Trustlands money must go through the school improvement plan. We are currently doing our plan that was developed, but the data is off because of the lack of data last year. Because of this, we can't look at last year's data to develop our plan. We will use what data we DO currently have to create our plan for this year. Mrs. Peery showed us what the current draft is for the school improvement plan. This year we are only going to create 2 goals instead of the 4 that were done in the past. The 2 that were taken away are Fine Arts (because this is done in a different place now) and Technology (because that will be imbedded in our math and reading goals this year instead.

The Goals set will be in place for the 2021-2022 school year.

Literacy Goal

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(Mrs. Peery has the copy of the actual proposed goal if you'd like to look at it more closely.) The action plan for this goal is to use instructional technicians, IReady Reading, Acadience Progress Monitoring, Take Home Librarian, SpEd provided for additional reading instruction, Staff development for teachers, etc.

Acadience will be our data collection device for meeting this goal.

Math Goal

90% of students in grades 4 and 5 will have achieved mastery level on each of the four math Nebo District Benchmark Assessments given throughout the year.

Using the benchmark data versus the year end data will give us the ability to change and progress throughout the year rather than just seeing if we made progress at the end of the year.

As part of the Action Plan, the following items were included: collaboration weekly, curriculum maps, Professional development, technicians, Technology purchased to 1:1 ratio, equipment purchased, etc. (Mrs. Peery has the exact goal)

- 5) **Preventing Child Abuse presentation-** Mrs. Peery explained what the presentation looks like. It was discussed with last year's community council and they decided they wanted to do it. Mrs. Perry is wondering if that is something parents would still be interested in. They weren't able to do the presentation last year because it was scheduled for April. Everyone on the council felt that it was a great idea, especially with so many students being home more. With the state data on reports that abuse increased during this time, the council felt this was still needed and wanted to do it.
- 6) A parent concern was brought up about new developments and streets coming into Mapleton. Mrs. Peery showed a map of where the development was going in. She shared the information on the development and what they were thinking of doing with roads to this development and how it would affect Mapleton walking students. The only way this would affect us is with our safe walking routes.

Next Meeting: Monday, February 1st at 11:30