

## HCC Curriculum Committee November 9, 2023

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Open Meeting-Pledge of Allegiance Committee Members in Attendance:

- A. Principal: Bill Rutherford
- B. Board Member: Nathan Wright
- C. Board Clerk: Bridgette Dahlstrom
- D. Teachers: Jadrian Watson, Kristine Humphreys, Jen MacKeage
- E. Parents: Kaylyn Ontiveros, Jana Nichols, Sarah Lynch, Kimberly Cloward-Guthrie, Deva Hanford, Hillary Whitcomb
- F. Community Member: Leann Williams

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- How to review curriculum
  - o State mandate
    - Quick overview of State Standards Forms
    - Review of K-2 Standards
    - Review of Idaho State Standards Codes Reference
    - Review of HCC Curriculum Committee Policy
    - Review of Idaho State Adoption Guide
      - Curriculum that is adopted by the state can be used without adoption at the school level
  - Parent involvement
    - Explanation of Teacher/Parent ratio on the Curriculum Committee
    - Value of parents on the Curriculum Committee
  - o Review rubric
    - Overview of the Idaho State rubric that is used for evaluating curriculum
- University of Florida Literacy Institute-Primary ELA Curriculum
  - Jen Mackeage
  - Research based and currently in the process of becoming evidence based
    - In academics, a program must be used by a variety of schools, for an extended time, with positive results
  - Program designed for K-2 students and older students who may be missing a skill
    - Provides teachers with guides to present lessons to students and the scope and sequence for K, 1st, and 2nd Grades

- Overview of how the lessons are set up and used in a classroom
- o All teachers have a copy of the manual all other resources are free
- A copy will be available in the office for review
- Emphasis on learning the "why" behind the sound so students can better understand how and when to use specific sounds & spellings
- Heggerty-Primary ELA Curriculum
  - Jen Mackeage
  - o Vetted as valuable and reliable at Federal level, but not adopted by the State
    - State adoption is based on curriculum vendor requesting the state complete a review and consider adoption
  - Phonemic awareness lessons
  - Committee participated in short Heggerty lesson led by Jen
- Cultivating Readers Grant
  - Presented by Jen Mackeage
  - 4 year grant that will help our Teachers have the best tools and knowledge for teaching our students to read
    - Additional strategies and best practices for supporting students at all levels
  - Data from Istation (Idaho's required screening test) will be used in partnership with an additional assessment to determine a student's reading level
- Committee conversation
  - Question regarding if the programs are engaging for high energy students
    - Program is interactive and keeps students involved there is not time for them to be distracted
  - Research shows all students need the whole group lesson to have a well rounded understanding of reading and spelling
    - Lessons presented for all students together so they all have the same understanding small groups used to dive into differentiated instructional needs
  - Reading time is provided at school, but it is important for students to be reading at home as well. This can be done as books, signs on the road, subtitles on the TV, parents reading to the student, etc.
  - HCC currently piloting UFLI & Heggerty as our K-2 vocabulary & phonemic awareness curriculum
    - Program is student friendly and follows a predictable pattern students know what to expect so they can spend more time learning and less time hearing directions
  - Comment that listening to the description of these programs is the best parts of various curriculums the committee members are familiar with
    - Students are gaining everything at once rather than swinging from curriculum to curriculum
    - The movement while learning helps build stronger connections to the material being learned
- Public comment period
  - No public in attendance at this meeting
- Committee response after hearing public comment
  - No public in attendance so no response needed/required

- Next Steps
  - o Intermediate and Middle school ELA
  - o Next Meeting-November 27, 2023
    - All UFLI & Heggerty manuals owned by HCC will be available at the meeting for the committee to review and complete the rubric

Adjourn 5:42pm