

**Madison Public Schools
Board of Education
Curriculum and Student Development Committee
Tuesday, October 19, 2021
5:30 PM
Zoom**

MEETING MINUTES

Diane Infantine-Vyce called the meeting to order at 5:36 p.m.

Committee Members present:

Diane Infantine-Vyce (Chair), Greg DeSantis, Cathy Miller and Galen Cawley (ex officio)

Administration and MPS Staff Present:

Craig Cooke (Superintendent), Gail Dahling-Hench (Assistant Superintendent), Wendy Brighindi (MPS Secretary & Zoom Host), Becky Frost (Principal, Jeffrey Elementary School)

Recorder: Diane Infantine-Vyce

1. Ms. Dahling-Hench gave a presentation of the Easy CBM Fall 2021 results for K-8. The universal screener was divided by grade with data given by percentile, noting especially the 50th percentile numbers. It was noted that Foundations is working well and that 3rd Grade showed great growth with excellent numbers at the 50th percentile (78-82%). An extra classroom was added at Jeffrey in 1st grade to decrease class size for targeted tier instruction, an interventionist was added and data teams are meeting regularly. It was noted that grades 3-8 performed better than lower grades and there is more work to do to combat pandemic related setbacks.
2. Ms. Frost gave a presentation on the prep work being done for Social Emotional Screening. Madison is a pilot cohort to use the Devereux Student Strengths Assessment (or DESSA mini) screener. We are awaiting training in DESSA protocols. Drafts of parent guides and letters were provided about social emotional health for K-8 and high school and information was given regarding how the K-8 and 9-12 Scientific Research-Based Interventions (SRBI's) would work. Ms. Dahling-Hench hopes the first administration of the DESSA mini will be in February, pending further state guidance.
3. It was noted by Dr. DeSantis that we should be prepared to see the typical winter dip, especially in first grade.
4. It was also noted by Ms. Dahling-Hench that there would be professional development in March 2022 in fluency work.
5. There was no public comment.

The meeting adjourned at 6:31 p.m.

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