

# Curriculum Renewal Action Plan

Orange School District

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# Annually

## An Action Plan for writing curriculum

- The Department of Curriculum and Instruction will review and revise the written curricula for all content areas over a five year period.
- The curricula will then be developed, using a district-wide standardized format which is streamlined to address the components of a Curriculum Guide.

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# 2010-2011

- All curriculum guides were revised and approved in 2011 to meet the NJ Core Curriculum Content Standards and to address the new Common Core State Standards.

# Components of a Curriculum Guide

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- OBE Vision and Mission
- Common Core State Standards
- NJ Core Curriculum Content Standards
- Course Description
- Student Learning Objectives
- Scope and Sequence
- Materials and Resources

# What is a Program Evaluation?

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- Curricula should be reviewed continuously in a 5 year continuum
- A mechanism to critically review existing curriculum in a systematic and collaborative manner
- A means of determining whether the existing curriculum is meeting the needs of the learner, the expectations of the community and is true to the discipline (curriculum paradigm)

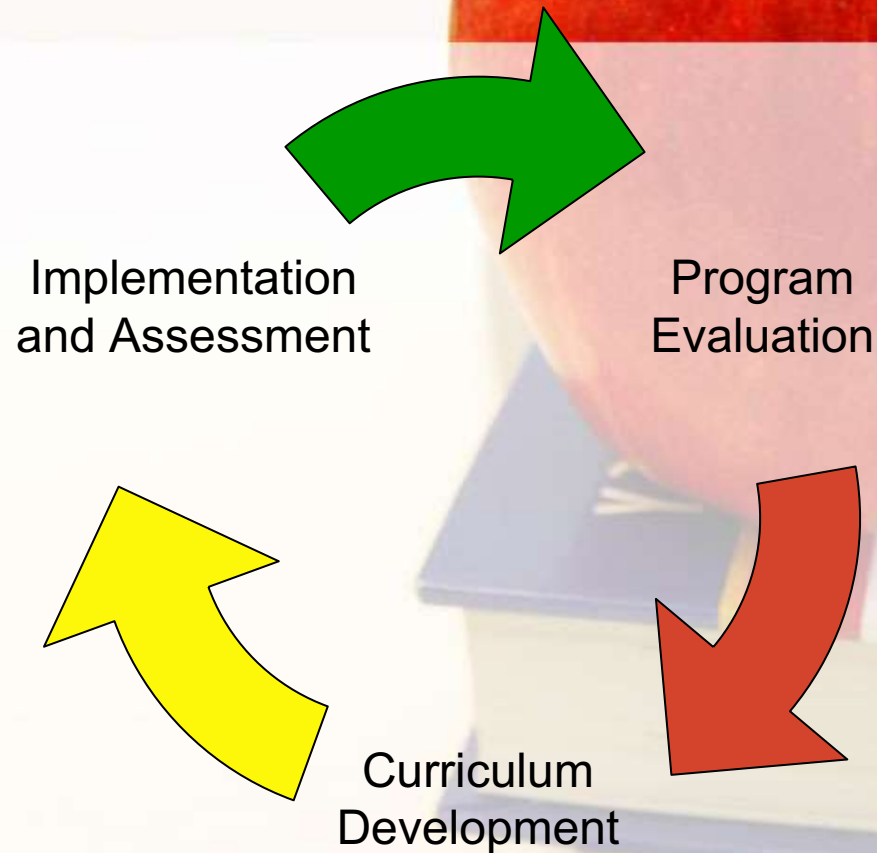


# How It Works:

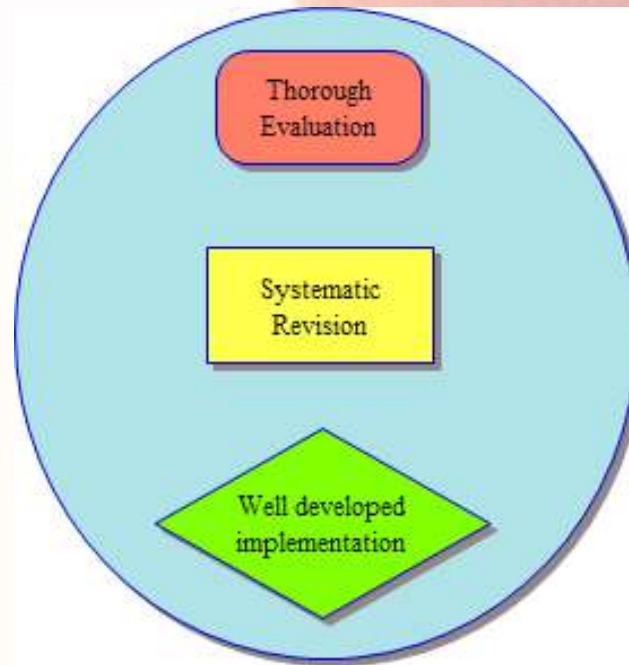
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- Five Year and Five Stage Process
  - Stage One - Program Evaluation & Review
  - Stage Two - Research & Development
  - Stage Three - Initial Implementation,
  - Stage Four - Full Implementation,
  - Stage Five - Monitoring and Assessment

# The Cycle



# Three Key Features





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# Stage One

- Process of comparing the actual program to the ideal program
  - Research, comparisons, surveys, analysis of student achievement
- Preparation of the Program Evaluation Report
  - Overview, Description of Changes, Philosophy, Comparison Data, Perception of Program, Evidence of Effectiveness, Recommendations, Timeline for Implementation of Recommendations

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# Stage Two

- Curriculum Development
  - Revisions
    - Might take place in years three and four
    - Summer Curriculum Writing
  - New Course Development
    - Two-year process
    - Summer Curriculum Writing
  - Textbook/Materials Recommendations
    - Budgeting and Purchasing

# Stage Three

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- Initial Implementation
  - Curriculum is put into practice
  - Focus on Staff Development
  - Purchase of new textbooks or other resources to support the curriculum
  - Feedback

# Stage Four

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- Full implementation
  - Student achievement data is gathered and analyzed as a function of the change
  - Strengths and weaknesses of the curriculum are determined
  - Implementation of guiding principles, best practices, and instructional strategies

# Stage Five

- Assessment

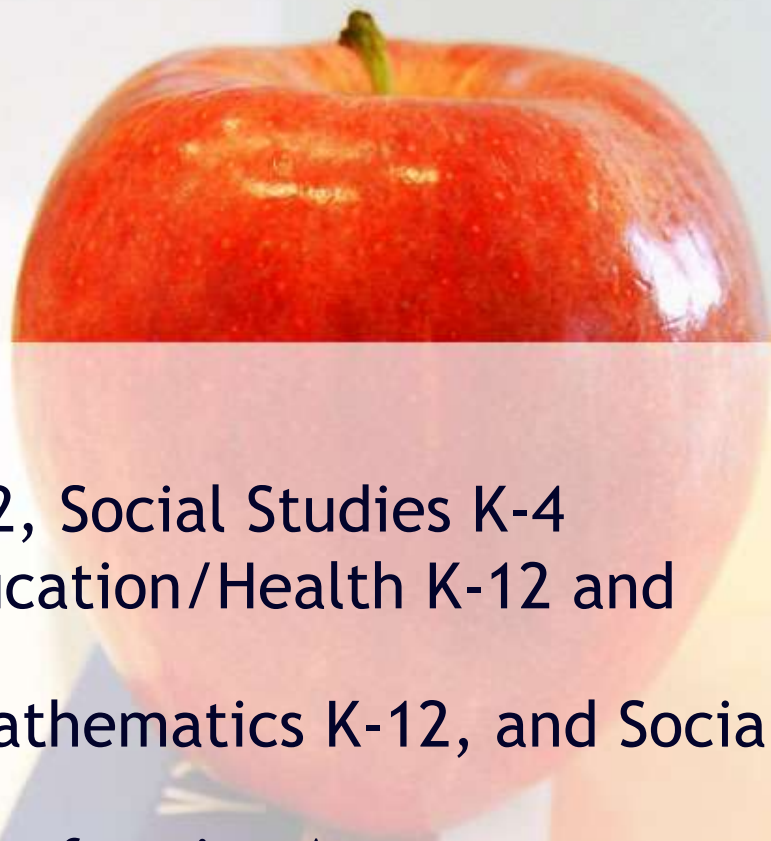




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## 2012-2016

- 2012-2013
  - Implementation of the NJ Model Curriculum
  - Assessment: Model Curriculum Unit Assessments
- Summer 2013
  - Social Studies - Grades 5, 6, 8, US History I and II, Economics
  - English Language Arts- Grades K-12
  - Mathematics- Grades K-8, Algebra I and II, Geometry, Statistics, and



- 2013-2014
  - Stage 1: Science K-12, Social Studies K-4
  - Stage 2: Physical Education/Health K-12 and World Languages
  - Stage 3: ELA K-12, Mathematics K-12, and Social Studies 5-12
  - Stage 4: Visual and Performing Arts
  - Stage 5: Career and Technical Education
- Summer 2014
  - Stage 2: Science K-12, Social Studies K-4



- 2014-2015
  - Stage 1: Career and Technical Education
  - Stage 2: Science K-12, Social Studies K-4
  - Stage 3: Physical Education/Health K-12 and World Languages
  - Stage 4: ELA K-12, Mathematics K-12, and Social Studies 5-12
  - Stage 5: Visual and Performing Arts
- Summer 2015
  - Stage 2: Career and Technical Education



- **2015-2016**
  - Stage 1: Visual and Performing Arts
  - Stage 2: Career and Technical Education
  - Stage 3: Science K-12, Social Studies K-4
  - Stage 4: Physical Education/Health K-12 and World Languages
  - Stage 5: ELA K-12, Mathematics K-12, and Social Studies 5-12
- **Summer 2016**
  - Stage 2: Visual and Performing Arts