

District Improvement Progress Report
December 2005

Development and Evaluation of Curriculum

- DI Curriculum Team met Thursday, December 15, 2005
- Thirteen members of the DI Curriculum Team have volunteered for the Understanding by Design book study
- Reading Essentials book studies completed at all elementary schools
- The PreK-12 Math Curriculum is finalized and scheduled to be presented to the Curriculum and Instruction Committee
- Language Arts Curriculum Committee 6-12 continues to meet to write and align the Language Arts Curriculum 6-12. A draft for grades 6-8 has been completed
- Curriculum Mapping continues at both Hillside and McLaughlin where the teachers are entering their individual maps into the Curriculum Mapper program
- DI Assessment Team did not meet in December, but meets again January 10th
- Elementary professional development on phonics, phonemic awareness and word recognition on December 14, 2005
- High School department heads from the four core subject areas have met and continue to meet to discuss and work on consistency of curriculum and core course offerings

Delivery of Curriculum

- DI Professional Development Team's meeting was cancelled due to the weather and the next meeting is scheduled for January 24, 2006
- Elementary professional development on phonics, phonemic awareness and word recognition on December 14, 2005
- Project CRISS training continues at Southside Middle School
- Curriculum Mapping continues at both Hillside and McLaughlin where the teachers are entering their individual maps into the Curriculum Mapper program
- High School department heads from the four core subject areas have met and continue to meet to discuss and work on consistency of curriculum and core course offerings
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Climate and Culture

- DI Climate and Culture Team met December 19, 2005
- DI Monitoring Committee continues to meet the first Thursday of each month from 2-4pm at GMPDC

Monthly Communication

- District Improvement Coordinator update to the Curriculum and Instruction Committee on December 21, 2005
- DI plan is posted on the school district website