



**May
2016**

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Sweetwater County School District #1

Curriculum, Instruction and Assessment Newsletter

Math Adoption Update, Next Steps

The final resource recommendations from the committee (Eureka Math published by Great Minds for grades K-8 and Big Ideas published by Houghton Mifflin Harcourt for grades 9-12) were presented to the Board for information at the March board meeting and final approval was given at the April Board meeting.

Summer Academy sessions are being offered at the end of June to support teachers in implementing Eureka Math grades K-8. In addition, summer academies on Add+Vantage Math and Technology support the implementation across all grade levels. Check out the [Summer Academy Brochure](#) for session details.

Along with Summer Academies, additional training will be provided from textbooks consultants at the beginning of the 2016-2017 academic school year.

Math and PE/Health SAC Update

The Math and PE/Health SACs will next begin the process of developing common assessments aligned to benchmarks on the curriculum maps. This will occur during the 2016-2017 academic school year. See the long range plan below for details.

Long-Range Plan

SUBJECTS	15/16	16/17	17/18	18/19	19/20	20/21	21/22	22/23	23/24	24/25	25/26	26/27	27/28	28/29
Math	VC	R/A	VA		C	VC	R/A	VA						
Health/PE	VC	R/A	VA			C	VC	R/A	VA					
ELA	C	VC	R/A	VA				C	VC	R/A	VA			
Info Lit/Foreign Language	C	VC	R/A	VA				C	VC	R/A	VA			
Science		C	VC	R/A	VA		C	VC	R/A	VA		C	VC	R/A
Fine and Performing Arts		C	VC	R/A	VA		C	VC	R/A	VA				
Social Studies			C	VC	R/A	VA				C	VC	R/A	VA	
Career Vocational			C	VC	R/A	VA					C	VC	R/A	VA

C	Development of curriculum documents
VC	Implementation and validation of the new curriculum
R	Resource selection
A	Development of common formative assessments
VA	Implementation and validation of the new assessments

Subject Area Committees Update

English Language Arts, Foreign Language and Informational Literature Subject Area Committees started meeting this year. They followed the same process as the Math and PE/Health SACs in that members surveyed teachers through questionnaires to learn exactly what is and is not taught in each class, grade level, and school. The Subject Area Committees made decisions about alignment and appropriateness of skills at each grade level.



Informational Literature SAC

SAC members identified what is currently being taught and constructed topic cards and



English Language Arts SAC

curriculum walls to analyze the current curriculum against the Wyoming state standards. Curriculum walls help SAC members identify misalignment, missing topics, unintended repetition and gaps.

All three SACs will meet this summer to write draft curriculum maps in their subject areas with specific benchmarks and targets for all courses.

The draft curriculum maps will be implemented and validated during the 2016-2017 school year. The maps will be revised, as needed, based on feedback from teachers.

For more information on meetings and activities contact one a SAC member or visit the district [Subject Area Committee](#) webpage.



Foreign Language SAC



May 6th & 7th @ WWCC Green River Campus

\$65 registration fee includes:

Access to vendors, Breakout sessions,
Keynote Presentations,
Snacks, Coffee Bar, and 2016 membership to
WyTECC

For more information or to register:

<http://wytecc.wildapricot.org/>

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Draft Science Standards Available for Review

May 9th WDE will be at the SCSD#2 District Office in Green River from 6pm-8pm seeking public feedback on the proposed science standards.

The State Board of Education will consider this feedback as they determine whether or not to recommend the proposed standards for adoption. If the board makes this recommendation, a second public comment period will be opened for a minimum of 45 days. The board will again use public feedback in their final determination before sending the standards to the Governor's Office to be signed.

PUBLIC INPUT on STANDARDS - REGIONAL MEETINGS

Date	Location	Science Standards	Extended Standards
May 4 6-8 pm	Campbell City Public Library 2101 S 4-J Rd. Gillette, WY 82718	Pioneer Room 1	Pioneer Room 2
May 5 6-8 pm	Natrona City School District 970 N. Glenn Rd. Casper, WY 82601	Fairdale Room	Garfield Room
May 6 6-8 pm	Laramie City School District #1 2810 House Ave. Cheyenne, WY 82001	Training Center	Board Room
May 9 6-8 pm	Sweetwater School District #2 320 Monroe Ave. Green River, WY 82935	Board Room	Conference Room #1
May 10 6-8 pm	Northwest College 231 W. 6 th St. Powell, WY 82435	FAB 70	FAB 65

BBHS Graduation
May 31, 2016 WWCC Theatre 7:00pm

FEHS Graduation
June 2, 2016 FEHS Gymnasium 6:30pm

RSBS Graduation
Tiger Stadium 10:00am
June 4, 2016

Summer Academies

The summer academy brochure is now available. The brochure contains academy descriptions, dates and times, and the link for registration.

Registration closes May 16th.

Summer School & Extended School Year Dates and Times

K-2 at Stagecoach-Karl Wells, Administrator

June 27-July 21 (no Fridays)

Student Contact Times 8am-1pm

3-5 at Stagecoach-Kris Cundall, Administrator

June 27-July 21 (no Fridays)

Student Contact Times 8am-1pm

6-8 at RSJH-Tina Johnson, Administrator

June 27-July 21 (no Fridays)

Student Contact Times 8am-1pm

9-12 at RSHS-Colby Lynch, Administrator

June 24-July 22

Student Contact Times 8am-2:30pm

Alternative 9-12 at BBHS- Mike Maloney & Lollie Lebario, Co-Administrators

June 6-July 1

Student Contact Times 9am-1:30pm

Farson/Wamsutter-Cristy Magagna-Pelham, Administrator

June 27-July 21 (no Fridays)

Student Contact Times 8am-1pm

ESY-Elementary at Stagecoach-Adriane Bohlender & Carrie Ellison, Co-Administrators

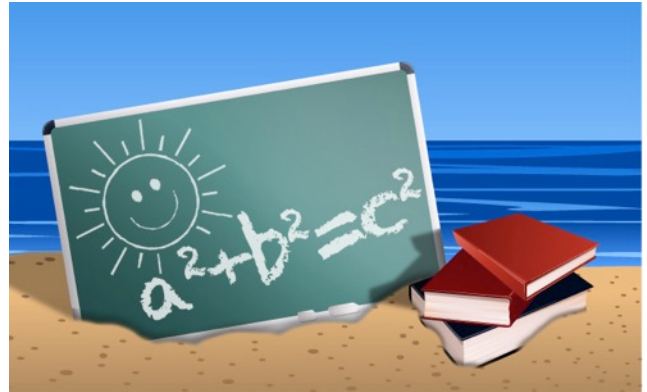
June 27-July 21 (no Fridays except for IEPs)

Student Contact Times 8am-1pm

ESY-Secondary at RSHS- Adriane Bohlender & Carrie Ellison, Co-Administrators

June 27-July 21 (no Fridays except for IEPs)

Student Contact Times 8am-1pm



*****NO SCHOOL ON JULY 4TH*****

Wyoming Secondary Principal of the Year

Wyoming Association of Secondary School Principals (WASSP), recently named Rock Springs High School principal, Darrin Peppard, Secondary Principal of the Year. Assistant Principals Annie Fletcher and Tom Jassman made the surprise announcement at a school assembly in March.

After hearing the news Peppard said, "What this award means is that I have an incredible team here. My name will go on the award which is neat, but it's about every teacher, secretary, folks in the lunchroom, custodians, everyone who is a part of this school and most definitely our students."



Tucker Leibee, RSHS senior, shared some of the photos he took from the announcement at the assembly. More photos are available on Tucker's Facebook page *Tucker Leibee Photography*.



May Testing

- ACT Aspire window closes May 3rd for all 9th and 10th grade students.
- ACT Plus Writing make up day is May 3rd for 11th grade students.
- ACT Compass (optional) window closes May 3rd for 12th grade students.
- WorkKeys (optional) window closes May 3rd for all 11th and 12th grade students.
- MAP testing window closes May 18th for all kindergarten through 9th grade students.
- DIBELS spring reading universal screening window is May 2nd through May 13th for all kindergarten through 3rd grade students and identified 4th-6th grade students.

<i>DRAFT</i>	<i>2015-2016 Sweetwater County School District #1 Assessment Calendar</i>								<i>DRAFT</i>
Assessment	September	October	November	December	January	February	March	April	May
Universal Screening Grades K-6	Begin: Sept. 28	End: Oct. 8			Begin: Jan. 18 End: Jan. 29				Begin: May 2 End: May 13
MAP Testing Grades K-9		Begin: Oct. 12	End: Nov. 20					Begin: April 18	End: May 18
PAWS Testing Grades 3-8							Begin: March 7 End: March 25		
Wy-ALT						Begin: Feb. 29	End: March 25		
ASPIRE Grade 9 and Grade 10								Begin: April 11	End: May 3
ACT Plus Writing Grade 11								Initial: April 19	Make-up: May 3
ACT COMPASS (Optional) Grade 12		Begin: Oct. 5 End: Oct. 23						Begin: April 11	End: May 3
WorkKeys Grade 11 - 12								Begin: April 19	End: May 3
NCLB Tech Asmt. Grades 8									Begin: May 2 End: May 27
ACCESS for ELLS Grades K-12					Begin: Jan 19		End: March 4		
WIDA W-APT Placement Test Grades K-12	New ELL students who don't have an ACCESS for ELLS score.								

In the Spotlight...

Rock Springs
Junior High School

*Rock Springs Junior High School Student Advocacy*

Students at RSJH have a 26-minute intervention class scheduled at the end of each day for students to check their grades on PowerSchool, complete homework and utilize additional time with teachers for extra help or enrichment.

Students are assigned a teacher who oversees their academic and general wellbeing, monitors their students' grades in intervention class, and based upon individual needs students are afforded the opportunity to visit any class in which missing work exists or additional help is needed.

Rock Springs Junior High teachers also make nominations for Student of the Month based on a student's behavior and academic progress in the classroom. Additionally, students have the opportunity to nominate one another for Caught You Caring. Nominees are chosen for taking a stand against bullying, acts of kindness, and being safe, respectful and responsible.

Finally, teachers meet weekly for cross content PLC's, which are designed to create and foster a smaller learning environment. This system ensures that teachers, counselors and social workers have time to collaborate ensuring students' social, emotional and academic wellbeing.



Information provided by Rhonda Kettering, RSJH Counselor

May 2016

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
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2 NCLB Tech Assessment (Grade 5-8) Begins Universal Screening Begins	3 ASPIRE, Compass, WorkKeys Testing Ends ACT Plus Writing Make- Ups	4	5	6	7	8
9	10 Health/PE Subject Area Committee Board Room 8-11:30 Math Subject Area Committee Board Room 11:30-4	11 Community Curriculum Council Board Room 8-4	12	13 Universal Screening Ends	14	15
16	17 AMP Reading Placement Pathways Meeting Board Room 8-11:30	18 MAP Testing Ends	19	20	21	22
23	24 AMP Meeting Board Room 8-4	25	26	27 NCLB Tech Assessment (Grade 5-8) Ends	28	29
30 Memorial Day No School	31					

June 2016

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
		1	2 Last Day for Students	3 Last Day for Teachers	4	5
6 ELA SAC Eastside Library 8-4	7 ELA SAC Eastside Library 8-4	8 ELA SAC Eastside Library 8-4	9 ELA SAC Eastside Library 8-4	10 ELA SAC Eastside Library 8-4	11	12
13 Informational Technologies/Foreign Language SAC Eastside Library 8-4 Data Teams Training Board Room 8-4	14 Informational Technologies/Foreign Language SAC Eastside Library 8-4 Data Teams Training Board Room 8-4	15 Informational Technologies/Foreign Language SAC Eastside Library 8-4 Data Teams Training Board Room 8-4	16 Informational Technologies/Foreign Language SAC Eastside Library 8-4	17 Informational Technologies/Foreign Language SAC Eastside Library 8-4	18	19
20 Summer School Training Board Room 8-4	21 Summer School Training Board Room 8-4	22	23	24	25	26
27 Summer Eureka Math Institute (Eliza) Board Room 8-4	28 Summer Eureka Math Institute (Eliza) Board Room 8-4	29 Summer Eureka Math Institute (Eliza) Board Room 8-4	30 Summer Eureka Math Institute (Eliza) Board Room 8-4	July 1 Summer Eureka Math Institute (Eliza) Board Room 8-4		