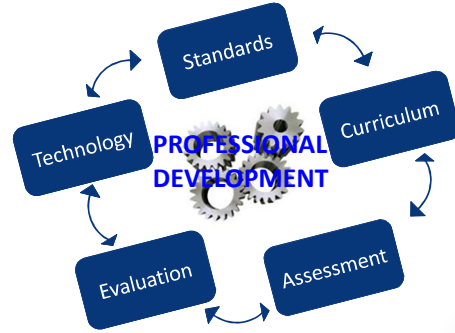


Implementing the Alaska State English/Language Arts, Math and Cultural Standards in the Fairbanks School District

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Multiple Ongoing Initiatives



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Standards



- All schools received presentation on new Alaska State Standards beginning in November 2012.
- Consistent message from district administration, communicated to all staff through site presentations.
- Focus on shifts within math and English/language arts including increased emphasis on non-fiction text across all content areas.
- Districtwide professional development focus on implementing Alaska State Standards (AKSS).
 - Principal-led inservice on implementing AKSS across content areas in August, 2013.
 - Principal-led inservice on instructional strategies to support AKSS in September, 2013.
 - Professional Learning Community (PLC) building-level work

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Standards



- Math Institute in June 2013.
- 2 day Literacy Institute for teachers offered in August 2013.
- Continued school level PLC's looking at AKSS across grades & subject areas.
- Summer course for teachers becoming A Culturally Responsive school.
- Standards provide the essential learnings for grade levels, content areas, and **Curriculum**.



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Curriculum



- Purposeful attention to the awareness, transition, implementation process.
- FSNBSD began including Common Core Standards with curriculum revision beginning in 2011.
 - K-12 English/Language Arts - adopted 2011
 - Aligned to the Common Core State Standards.
 - Work to revise and align to AKSS began summer of 2013.
- All curriculum continues to be aligned with Alaska Cultural Standards.
- Identifying power standards provides roadmap for **ASSESSMENT**.

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Curriculum



- In 2012, creation of Content Leadership Teams to guide the process K-12 and insure alignment with AKSS.
- Curriculum examples:
 - 9-12 Career Technical Education - adopted 2012 & 2013
 - Aligned to the AKSS Reading/Writing Standards for Literacy in Science & Technical Subjects
 - Inclusion of Mathematical Practices in course crosswalks
 - K-12 Social Studies - adopted 2013
 - Aligned to the AKSS Reading/Writing Standards for Literacy in History/Social Studies
 - K-8 Math – will be adopted January 2014
 - Adopted Alaska State Math Standards
 - High school program in process of being aligned
 - Common Core aligned materials being piloted spring 2014 for adoption May 2014

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Assessment



- FSNBSD is in the process of identifying power standards for on-going benchmark assessments.
- Sample assessments available to teachers through district-created Edmodo site.
- Focus on using **TECHNOLOGY** to create districtwide assessments that:
 - Are accessible at all schools
 - Provide students with practice for online high stakes assessments
 - Are focused and don't take excessive class time
 - Results can be delivered quickly
- Multiple measures that may be tied to the evaluation system.

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Technology



- Integral part of system-wide assessment process.
- Provides relevant data to teachers to inform instruction.
- Provide support to maximize integration and create technology literate staff and students.
- Technology-based, high stakes assessments will be part of the **EVALUATION** process.

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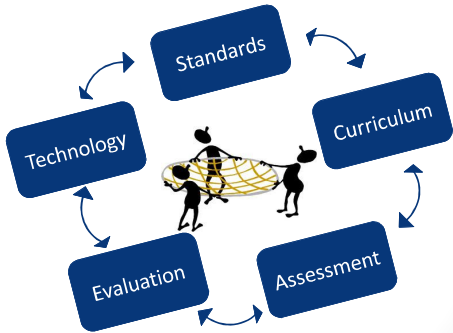
Evaluation



- Districtwide evaluation committee formed of teachers, administrators, and FEA representatives to guide the transition to new evaluation system.
- Creating system for gathering data on student performance that is fair and accurate across grade levels and content areas.
- Provide information to improve instruction.
- Aligned to the Alaska State English/Language Arts, Math and Cultural **STANDARDS**.

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It's All Connected -



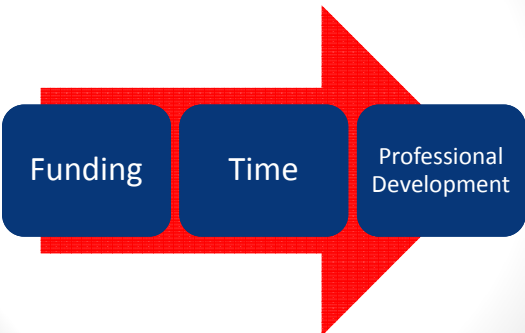
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Clear Targets...



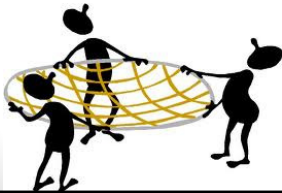
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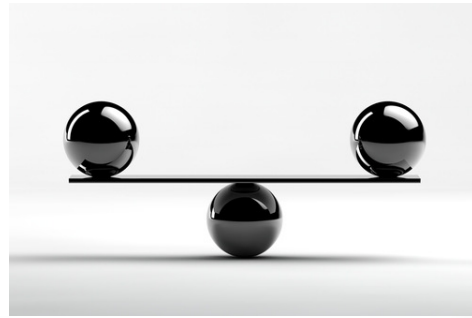
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Having structures and support systems in place to ensure that both students and staff are successful is critical for our community.



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Balance



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From compliance...
To commitment...
To our culture.



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...The heart of the matter...



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