

BOCES Curriculum and Instruction Council
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Précis

Updates

SED updates [September](#) [October](#)

- Special note: **Speaking and listening will no longer be included in the new versions of the 3-8 ELA assessments** because the way it had been done previously was not aligned to the Standards. Guidance and sample rubrics for speaking, listening, presenting, and viewing will eventually be distributed (but not soon) because this is still important. The exclusion of this from the assessments doesn't mean that these skills are unimportant. Rather, they are very important. The inauthentic nature of standardized testing makes it problematic to assess.

ITD (CNYRIC)

- Rick Pollard shared information about some new features on the [ITD website](#)
- A [new feature](#) is "Ask It" where, based on a teacher request, resource suggestions are provided to teachers. These are archived and available for other teachers to use.
- A teacher is now featured on the website each month.

Curriculum, Instruction & Assessment (CIA)

- Regional assessment work continues
- Here's the CI&A professional development [schedule](#) between now and the end of the calendar year.
- Lynn will soon be making contacts with districts to discuss district-specific needs.

Teacher Centers

- CNY and Oswego Centers have merged – visit their [merged site](#).

Instructional Support's use of social media

- In the future, ISS will use *EdMailer* to manage [signing up](#) for the weekly blast and other new "blasts" to come from ISS departments and services
- Instructional Support's [group blog](#)
- Instructional Support's [Facebook](#)
- Instructional Support's [Twitter](#)

Race To The Top

Standards

- SED's [examples](#) of optional curriculum maps – remember "adopt, adapt, or refer"
 - [K-2 ELA](#) (vendor: Core Knowledge)
 - [3-5 ELA](#) (vendor: Expeditionary Learning) We have penciled in training for teachers from Expeditionary learning for the last week of June – a project between the Teacher Center and the Network Team.
 - [P-5 mathematics](#) (vendor: Common Core)

- Math pre/post [list](#) from SED (it is extremely important to develop a bridge plan for 3-8 math that will ensure all necessary pre-April topics are addressed)
- Planning a Math Conference with four parts with the Teacher Center and Network Team
 - Common Core - background and foundation (Bill McCullum?)
 - Math Solutions - how kids learn mathematics
 - Singapore Math - just exactly what is it?
 - NSF math program - constructivist approach to math instruction
- Five Big Ideas (From Common Core Standards to Curriculum). We read the article and discussed it in table groups.
 - [article](#) by McTighe and Wiggins
 - [organizer](#) for discussion

Data-Driven Instruction

- The “lessons” have been prepared for the development of systems of common formative/interim assessments which can be delivered by OCM BOCES, turn-keyed by you, or used in some other way. Contact Lynn Radicello if you want to arrange for this in your district. It will help you move the focus from SLOs to the common interim assessments as well as prime the pump for the unit design/redesign work that has to happen.

Culture

- We discussed the idea for another PLC at Work Summit. It is proving difficult to bring the whole thing back to CNY (perhaps we are too small a market). Solution Tree has suggested a hybrid event, which is a blended approach that combines some video links to another location combined with local components. The group directed Jeff to continue to explore the idea with Solution Tree. Stay tuned for additional information.

Long-term planning for RTTT (and example plan)

- Districts are being encouraged to develop a multi-year plan for the implementation of RTTT/Reform Agenda expectations and deliverables.
- An [example of a plan](#) was distributed and discussed. It is not meant as something that a district would adopt, but rather a tool that a district could adapt or refer to in their own long-term plan.

Other Business

The Enterprise America (WCNY) project continues

- A draft [list](#) of "businesses" is available for your review. Comments and ideas are encouraged.
- This service (with a price) will be included in the BOCES Services Guide.
- The scheduling of this will be done through the Science Center – it will be available as a “kit” for a classroom in a fashion similar to the science kits and thus funded by a similar mechanism

Research Project with Hill Communications

- Research about the image of BOCES is being conducted by a Syracuse University student-led public relations firm. Some teachers and administrators will be asked to

participate in a phone interview. Some high schools will be asked to have students complete a short survey, too.

Assessment

Regents Regional Scoring Planning and Preparation

- Regional scoring is not required – but districts who do not have enough scorers to meet the vested interest regulations will have to work with other schools
- The [language](#) about Scorer requirements from SED is not very specific
- A grid was developed that indicates which districts need (or want) to work with other districts on Regents scoring. It was decided to run one regional site in Cortland (likely at McEvoy). We will ask the RIC to be onsite so we can fastscore from there (and do the verification, too).

	ELA 11	Global	US	A1	G	A2	ES	Living	Chem	Physics	
Baldwinsville	n	n	n	n	n	n	n	n	n	n	but could help
Cazenovia	n	n	n	n	n	n	n	n	n	n	
Chittenango	n	n	n	n	n	n	n	n	n	n	
Cincinnatus	y	y	y	y	y	y	y	y	y	y	
Cortland	n	n	n	n	n	n	n	n	y?	y	
DeRuyter	n	n	n	n	n	n	n	n	n	n	
East Syracuse-Minoa	n	n	n	n	n	n	n	n	n	n	
Fabius-Pompey											unconfirmed
Fayetteville-Manlius	n	n	n	n	n	n	n	n	n	n	
Homer	n	n	n	n	n	n	n	n	n	n	but could help
Jamesville-Dewitt	n	n	n	n	n	n	n	n	n	n	
LaFayette	n	n	n	n	n	n	y	y	y	y	
Liverpool	n	n	n	n	n	n	n	n	n	n	needs Latin
Lyncourt	n	n	n	y	n	n	n	y	n	n	with Solvay
Marathon	y	y	y	y	y	y	y	y	y	y	
Marcellus	y	y	y	y	y	y	y	y	y	y	
McGraw											unconfirmed
North Syracuse	n	n	n	n	n	n	n	n	n	n	
Onondaga Central	y	y	y	y	y	y	y	y	y	y	
Solvay	n	n	n	n	n	y/n	n	n	y	y?	
Tully	y	y	y	y	y	y	y	y	y	y	but maybe not January
West Genesee	n	n	n	n	n	n	n	n	n	n	but could help
Westhill	n	n	n	n	n	n	n	n	n	y	

3-8 Regional Assessment Planning and Preparation

- Part of the time at the next BCIC meeting will be set aside for regional clusters to meet and identify scoring dates. It will be helpful for dates to be more aligned across clusters. This helps from a logistical and clerical perspective.

Scoring SLOs and LATs

- A suggestion was made that we have a discussion at BCIC about the scoring of SLO summative measures. This will be included in a future agenda.

Future Meeting Planning

The next BCIC meeting is November 15, 2012, in the Distance Learning Center.

- Immediately after the BCIC meeting the Regional Regents scoring group will meet to plan.