

EDUCATION/TECHNOLOGY COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

March 10, 2023 Virtual Meeting - 8:30 A.M.

Committee Members: Beth Fiore, Chair

Randall Peach, Carolyn Podgorski, Justina Ryan

Administrative Staff: Dr. Jonathan Hart, Superintendent of Schools

Staci Beegle, Director of Pupil Services

Jason Bohm, SBA/Board Secretary

Dr. Stacey Brown, Humanities Supervisor

Sherry Krial, PD/Tech Supervisor

Sarah Pauch, Math, Science, Tech Supervisor

Anthony Tumolo, SEL Supervisor Jim Belske, Technology Coordinator

Ellie Harris, Hunterdon Behavioral Health (item #1)

Agenda

- 1. Tier 3 Mental Health and Hunterdon Behavioral Health Update Mr. Tumolo and Ms. Harris gave a presentation on the school-based counseling services provided at RMS in partnership with Hunterdon Behavioral Health and funded through Federal ESSER funds. The program has received positive feedback from students, staff, and parents. There is a need for expanding the program since it is currently at capacity. The recommendation is to increase counseling services to 5 days at RMS next year.
- 2. Parent Academy Agenda/Program Mrs. Krial gave an update on the schedule of workshops and student presentations that are planned for Parent Academy Night. This event will be held on Tuesday, March 28th from 6-8pm at Holland Brook School. A registration link has been sent to all parents via Genesis. Registration closes on March 15th.
- 3. Mid-Year Diagnostic Data Review Dr. Brown and Ms. Pauch presented the mid-year iReady diagnostic data to the committee. Overall, the district has exceeded the mid-year 50% growth target for each grade level, which is a fantastic achievement. Students are steadily closing the learning gaps caused by the pandemic.
- 4. Dr. Hart gave a brief update on the YMCA Afterschool Clubs for grades K-5 and Huntington Learning Center tutoring programs for grades 6-8 that were recently introduced. The YMCA clubs have been very well attended. The Huntington Learning Center tutoring has fluctuated in attendance. A more thorough report will be given to the committee at the close of the programs.
- 5. Climate Awareness Education Grant (\$6,600) The district has received a State of New Jersey Department of Education grant of \$6,600 to be used this fiscal year. The district plans to use the funds for HBS environmental resources, professional development in the area of sustainability, and other

items tied into the curriculum including student supplies, curriculum materials, TBS lego kits, and items to enhance wildlife habitats at the schools.

- 6. Agenda items: additional field trips, fundraisers, student teaching placement
- 7. Next Meeting: April 20th at 8:30am.

Summaries of Curriculum Revisions

N/A