

Twinsburg City School District Curriculum/Technology Committee Meeting April 17, 2023 6:00-7:30 PM Twinsburg High School - LGI



- 1. District Curriculum Updates
  - The District is currently administering Ohio's State Tests until April 28, 2023
  - After the OST's are complete, AP Exams will start
  - The new courses adopted for the 2023-2024 school year (Motion Graphics 2, AP Macroeconomics, and Writing for Civic Engagement) have enough enrollment and will be taught in the Fall
  - Grades K-6 are transitioning to GOMATH© 2023 for next school year
  - RBC students will be participating in the Reading and Writing Festival at Kent State University on April 25, 2023
  - Some seniors have been busy doing their presentations for their STEM Honors Diploma
  - The District Courses of Study are posted on the website and will continue to be updated as needed
- Adoption of *Nervous Conditions* by Tsitsi Dangarembga for Exploration of Black Voices in Literature Reserved Reading List published by Ayebia Clarke Publishing, copyright 2004. ISBN: 9780954702335. Daneé Pinckney, English Teacher.
  - Partially autobiographical
  - Highlights a female protagonist growing up as a woman
  - Includes themes of mental health
- 3. Adoption of *Homegoing* by Yaa Gyasi for Exploration of Black Voices in Literature Reserved Reading List published by Knopf Doubleday Publishing Group, copyright 2017. ISBN: 9781101971062. Daneé Pinckney, English Teacher.
  - Written with two perspectives; one with growing up in Ghana and the other growing up in America
  - A good example of identity for students as they enter adulthood
- Adoption of Adobe Animate Classroom in a Book by Russell Chun for Motion Graphics 2 course, published by Adobe Press, copyright 2023. ISBN: 9780137982424. Casey Kirtley, Motion Graphics 2 Teacher.
  - Created to train Adobe employees
  - Great for students to gain working professional knowledge of Adobe Animate
- 5. Adoption of Early Learning and Development Standards, Scott Astey, Assistant Principal
  - Updated and refined 10-year-old standards
  - Improved old standards by expanding them, organizing them in strands that flow to next stages, and aligning with curriculum
  - Next steps will be aligning the standard with curriculum and professional development with for staff

- 6. Adoption of Summer Reading for summer 2023
- 7. Informational presentation on Twinsburg City School District Career Framework, Alex Popovich, Curriculum Supervisor
  - Creation of the Twinsburg City School District Career Readiness Infographic outlining objectives for each grade/building with corresponding activities/events
  - K-12 District Career Framework plan includes: Exposure > Applicability > Experience
  - Goals for next year: Develop District level team, solidify a plan of action with calendar of events for the year, and continue to explore ways to promote student self-awareness, career exploration, goal setting and real-world experience at all grade levels
- 8. Structured Literacy Update, Jennifer Farthing, Director of Curriculum
  - Wilcox Primary Dyslexia training is complete and Samuel Bissell Elementary School Dyslexia training will happen next year
  - Dyslexia screening options were released by the Ohio Department of Education this past week and the District will review the list and make decisions
- 9. Next meeting: June 5, 2023