# District Level Instructional **Decision-Making** Committee

# **UPDATE**

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## The ARLINGTON INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT-LEVEL INSTRUCTIONAL DECISION-

MAKING COMMITTEE functions as a representative advisory group for all AISD professional staff with regard to the establishment and review of the district's educational mission, goals, objectives and major district wide classroom instructional programs.

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### WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS

Evan Smith, Executive Director of Secondary Instruction, welcomed the committee.

#### CURRICULUM AUDIT - BECCA SALES, **CURRICULUM AUDIT** CONTACT; INSTRUCTIONAL SPECIALIST, SCIENCE

Becca Sales explained the curriculum audit process that will occur the week of February 25 - March 1, 2013. Items discussed included:

- Expectations for campus and classroom visits
- Interviews
- Artifacts/Documents

The audit will include the written curriculum, taught curriculum, and assessed curriculum.

# STRATEGIC PLAN METRICS - DR. WALLY CARTER, DIRECTOR, ACCOUNTABILITY AND TESTING

Dr. Carter explained the 28 Strategic Plan Metrics that were shared at the February 7, 2013, board meeting. Questions were taken and answered from the group.

# RESPONSE TO INTERVENTION - LINDA RODGERS, SPECIAL POPULATIONS COORDINATOR

Linda Rodgers explained the overview of RTI. Danny Freeman, an RTI Facilitator, discussed what is occurring on elementary campuses to support students with the RTI process. The RTI facilitators' role is to provide documentation, record-keeping, and ensure the collaboration of the RTI team. iStation and Think Through Math are district supports for intervention. Student RTI Tier placement is updated monthly on TEAMS and keeps track of student progress. Currently there is a junior high committee that is evaluating the systems currently in place, including secondary needs, the master schedule, protocols, and fidelity. Questions were invited and answered.

## DISTRICT UPDATE - DR. MARCELO CAVAZOS, SUPERINTENDENT

- Deliverables of the strategic plan for this semester were discussed including: Finalizing the metrics
- Comprehensive Curriculum Audit (board level to the classroom level) which is a gap analysis. Next steps will include how these gaps will be addressed.
- Comprehensive facilities assessment through October. This includes the facilities and if they are designed to meet the needs of students.
- Administering surveys to graduates, graduating students, parents, staff, and community after spring break
- Implementing Managed Performance Empowerment

- Initiating AISD Aspiring Principals and AISD Aspiring Assistant Principals Academy this semester
- Establishing the AISD K-12 Instructional Model with committee input by June
- Providing 10 new CTE certificate programs including partnering with TCC for the location of the programs next year
- Developing a career and higher education course for all eighth-grade students next year
- Initiating online parent-training
- Partnering with an HR consultant on the development of a competitive compensation plan

Questions were invited and answered.

Committee members gave feedback and the meeting was adjourned at 6:15 p.m.

**OUESTIONS** - To facilitate the answering of your question:

1. See if it can be answered with the resources within your building. 2. Refer your question in writing to the appropriate Committee.

**Scope of DIDC:** Limited to AISD's educational goals, objectives, curriculum or instructional programs.

Scope of Professional Communication Committee: Limited to wages, salaries, hours of work, benefits (excluding insurance) and conditions of work of Districtwide importance.

Contact: Rhonda Clark, Administration Building

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If you have **suggestions** about any of the AISD's educational goals, objectives, curriculum or instructional programs, please fill out this form and attach it to a summary of your comments.

<b>Send to DIDC</b> , Attention: Patti Belknap c/o Evan Smith, Secondary Instruction, Arlington Independent School District, Arlington, Texas 76013. Please include your name and phone number so we may respond to your request personally.			
Name:	School:	Grade:	Subject:
Topic:			
Suggested Solution:			
Would you like to be contacted personally by a member of the DIDC?YesNo			
Please note: The District Level Instructional Decision Making Committee (DIDC) UPDATE is now on the AISD Website*.			

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