



Staff Update

April 1, 2016

1. Put your family first.
2. What makes you ELITE?
3. Stay above the line

Assessment Days

Don't forget to put in for subs for assessment days. The end of the year is coming up fast!

21st Century Grant

I have been working with a grant writer to resubmit the application for the 21st Century Grant. I am in the process of compiling our data. We will submit at the end of April and will find out the news in July. We are going to start to prepare as if we are getting the grant. This way we'll be ready to be up and running in the event we get good news in July. I will be inviting Hilary Sloat, principal at Horizon and Holly Meister, Math/Lit coach at Horizon to come talk to us about the grant soon.

Where has Jacki been?

Eric and I been administering the MAP test one on one to our 3rd graders who did not make the cut score for TGRG. That's why I've been hard to find lately. We're continuing testing all next week.

Testing Dates

Please note the changes to the test schedule. We have decided to split the 5th grade tests into two days. Therefore, we will be testing our Math Bridge students on Monday afternoons.

Thank you to everyone for their cooperation with all of the craziness of testing.

Monday, 4/11/16	Tuesday, 4/12/16	Wednesday, 4/13/16	Thursday, 4/14/16	Friday, 4/15/16 (make-ups)
Grade 5 ELA, Part II, 90min.	Grade 5 ELA, Part I, 90min.	Grade 3 ELA, Part II, 90min.	Grade 3 ELA, Part I, 90min.	Grades 3,4,5 ELA, Parts I&II, 180min.
*Bridge Math Students test in PM		Grade 4 ELA, Part II, 90min.	Grade 4 ELA, Part I, 90min.	

Monday, 4/18/16	Tuesday, 4/19/16	Wednesday, 4/20/16	Thursday, 4/21/16	Friday, 4/22/16 (make-ups)
Grade 5 Math, Part I, 75min.	Grade 5 Math, Part II, 75min.	Grade 3 Math, Part I, 75min.	Grade 3 Math, Part II, 75min.	Grades 3,4,5 Math, Parts I&II, 150min.
*Bridge Math Students test in PM		Grade 4 Math, Part I, 75min.	Grade 4 Math, Part II, 75min.	

Monday, 4/25/16	Tuesday, 4/26/16	Wednesday, 4/27/16	Thursday, 4/28/16	Friday, 4/29/16 (make-ups)
Grade 5 Science, Part I, 75min.	Grade 5 Science, Part II, 75min.	Grade 4 Social Studies, Part I, 75min.	Grade 4 Social Studies, Part II, 75min.	Grade 5 Science & Grade 4 Social Studies, Parts I&II, 150min.
*Bridge Math Students test in PM				

All tests will begin at 9:15am unless otherwise noted.

Info about ILE

Dates: August 3rd & 4th for the full conference

August 5th for EdCamp (separate registration)

KEYNOTE SPEAKERS:

- 1) Jon Gordon, author of The Energy Bus, The Hard Hat, and many more will be our Day 1 Keynote speaker.
- 2) Jim Tressel, President of Youngstown State University President and former Ohio State Buckeyes coach will be our Day 2 Keynote speaker.

New options this year!!!!

Early bird pricing and keynote only tickets!!!

	Early Bird Pricing (March 30th - April 30th)	Regular Pricing (May 1st - August 3rd)
Full Conference - Aug 3rd & 4th	\$125	\$150
Jon Gordon Day 1 Keynote Only - Aug 3rd	\$35	\$50
Jim Tressel Day 2 Keynote Only - Aug 4th	\$35	\$50
EdCamp - Aug 5th	Free	Free

Click on this link to get to the site and register today!----<http://www.ile.ohio.org/>

Food Policy

Please enforce our NO FOOD policy. Do not hand out any treats that students bring in and allow kids to eat in the classroom. If students bring food in, YOU NEED TO SEND IT HOME. Please continue to communicate the Food Guidelines that I've sent out multiple times. If you need another copy to send in a newsletter, please let me know.

Virtual Counseling

Thank you to everyone who is supporting Jeff in his efforts to make virtual counseling a success. Please feel free to provide him or me with any feedback that you think could help us make this a more meaningful experience for your students.

The district fully supports virtual counseling. So, we need to work to keep making it better.

That being said, it is imperative that every classroom teacher does the virtual counseling with their class. If you have a problem fitting virtual counseling into your day, please come see me so I can help you figure out when to do it.

Blended Learning Module #1-to be completed by June 30, 2016

If you want help with getting started with the modules there are times to do this at Hilliard U. They are not going to be hard to complete and you get CEUs.

New SLO date

Good news--teachers have a little longer to finish up their SLO assessments and data reporting to you! They should have until **Monday, April 4** to submit data to you. The dates below were published in SLO eCampus module so I want to honor that timeline.

New Media Center Lock

I forgot to mention -- the media center front door used to have a different lock and only Sue and I (and the custodial staff) had the key. It's been changed to match the locks with the rest of the building, so your room key will now open the front MC door. We also put an automatic closer on the back door to the MC for safety purposes, since it was always left open. The lock is still the same on that door.

Steering Committee Meetings

These are the dates for the upcoming Steering Committee Meetings:

April 6-3:45

April 27-3:45

May 10-3:45

PILOT SCHOOL FOR ELEMENTARY ONE TO ONE!!!

Thursday morning at our admin meeting, Rich Boettner told me the JW has been selected to be one of two pilot schools for the Elementary one-to-one initiative!!!!

After the excitement of the Alan November announcement, I wasn't sure I was going to be able to contain myself!

Here's the deal:

1. Rich's plan is to put on iPad cart in every homeroom next year. The carts will have 15-20ish iPads each. He will know more after he finalized number for High School one-to-one.
2. This means that all but one desktop will come out of your rooms.
3. We will be selecting one teacher from each grade level to be a "Technology Pioneer". This means that you will get PD with Apple and our tech teachers. We need the pioneer to be a person who is not afraid to try and possibly fail, to be willing to work through road blocks, and to be willing to take risks and try new things that you've never done before.
4. To my knowledge, desktops will not come out of special education rooms/intervention rooms at this time. And, all homerooms will have one remaining desktop. I asked that since it's a pilot year, we keep extra desktops in rooms where we have lots of kids using Imagine Learning. Rich is considering this.
5. Since we're piloting, I am being told that Rich will try to get all teachers in the building their personal iPad Air sometime after the start of the school year. This means that we would take your current iPads and add them to carts.

This is such a great opportunity for us and for our students. I can't wait to see what great things we can do during this pilot and beyond.

[Link to AIR Practice Tests from Florida](#)

Molly Ells found this link. My be helpful to you when looking at testing as a genre.

<http://www.fsassessments.org/students-and-families/practice-tests/paper-based-practice-test-materials/>

CALENDAR INFO BELOW!!! DID YOU READ THE ENTIRE UPDATE?

What's on the calendar:

April 4-PTO 7pm

April 5-PAC 3:30pm

TOLLES 6-8:30pm

Dave and Busters Spirit Night

April 6-Staff Meeting 7:45am

Steering Committee 3:45 at the ILC

April 7- TOLLES 6-8:30pm

April 11-Data Team Leaders 7:45am

April 12- TOLLES 6-8:30pm

April 13-Science Extravaganza 6:30-8:00pm

April 14- TOLLES 6-8:30pm

April 19- TOLLES 6-8:30pm

April 20-Staff Meeting 7:45am DATA TEAM

April 21- TOLLES 6-8:30pm

April 25-Board of Education Meeting at JW 7PM

April 26- TOLLES 6-8:30pm

April 28- TOLLES 6-8:30pm