

Staff Update

March 4, 2016

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

OMG!!! Alan November is coming to Hilliard U

Yes, I'm a GIANT dork! We all know this already! So, I'm sure you're not surprised that I am beside myself because Alan November, author of Who Owns the Learning, will be at Hilliard U. Will I attempt to meet him? Probably.

Will I sit in his sessions like a crazy groupie? Most likely.

I hope you are excited about this as I am. I believe his sessions will be in the afternoon

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.

New "Run, Hide, Fight" info to put in sub plans

Attached to the staff update should be the Run, Hide, Fight info sheet that you need to include in your sub plans.

We are still using our "Lockdown Attendance" form in a Run, Hide, Fight situation if we can do so safely. Please look at the attached document for more information.

OELPA Testing February 29-March 7 and March 8 until we finish

We will be administering the **state ELL test**, OELPA, starting the week of February 29 for all grades 1-5. Large group testing will occur **Mon. Feb. 29- Mon. March 7**, **starting at 9 or 9:30**.

This should take anywhere from 1 to 2 1/2 hours, depending on the grade. (However students technically have all day to complete it.) From Tues, March 8 on, we will be pulling students individually for the speaking test. This will only affect classrooms that have ELL students. However we will need all of the school's laptops from Feb. 29-March 7, in the morning at least. If we have snow days, the schedule will have to be extended of course. Thanks for your cooperation.

Thanks to all the helpers

Thanks to everyone who has helped out with our recent fall to fills and with OELPA testing. We're getting close to finishing OELPA!

ILC Spring Break Challenge

Check out @HCSD_ILC on Twitter. They are posting fun, daily challenges for teachers until spring break.

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

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/

Testing Dates

Below is the updated state testing schedule for the spring:

Tuesday, 4/12/16	Wednesday, 4/13/16	Thursday, 4/14/16	Friday, 4/15/16 (make- ups)
Grade 5 ELA Parts I & II, 180min.	Grade 3 ELA Part II, 90min.	Grade 3 ELA Part I, 90min.	Grade 3 ELA Parts I & II, 180min.
	Grade 4 ELA Part II, 90min.	Grade 3 ELA Part I, 90min.	Grade 4 ELA Parts I & II, 180min.
			Grade 5 ELA Parts I & II, 180min.

Tuesday, 4/19/16	Wednesday, 4/20/16	Thursday, 4/21/16	Friday, 4/22/16 (make-ups)
Grade 5 Math Parts I & II, 150min.	Grade 3 Math Part I, 75min.	Grade 3 Math Part II, 75min.	Grade 3 Math Parts I & II, 150min.
	Grade 4 Math Part I, 75min.	Grade 4 Math Part II, 75min.	Grade 4 Math Parts I & II, 150min.
			Grade 5 Math Parts I & II, 150min.

Tuesday, 4/26/16	Wednesday, 4/27/16	Thursday, 4/28/16	Friday, 4/29/16 (make- ups)
Grade 5 Science Parts I & 2, 150min.	Grade 4 Social Studies Part I, 75min.	Grade 4 Social Studies Part II, 75min.	Grade 4 Social Studies Parts I & 2, 150min.
			Grade 5 Science Parts I & 2, 150min.

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

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

What's on the calendar:

March 7-Data Team Leaders 7:45am PTO 7pm March 8-PAC 3:30pm Spirit Night # FROYO TOLLES 6-8:30pm March 10 TOLLES 6-8:30pm

March 15- Professional Development Day-NO SCHOOL
TOLLES 6-8:30pm
March 16-Staff Meeting 7:45am DATA TEAM
March 17- TOLLES 6-8:30pm
March 18-March 25--SPRING BREAK

March 29- TOLLES 6-8:30pm March 31- TOLLES 6-8:30pm