

If you desire to
MAKE A DIFFERENCE
in the world, you must
BE DIFFERENT
from the world.

-ELAINE S. DALTON



Welcome Back!!

RSU 24 Opening Day
Professional Development

AUGUST 26, 2015

SUMNER MEMORIAL HIGH SCHOOL

Regional School Unit 24



August 14, 2015

Greetings,

I hope this letter finds you enjoying your summer and recharging those batteries!!! It is hard to believe that there are only a couple of weeks left before we start up with school year 2015-2016. Here at the District Services Facility, we have settled into our new space and believe the proximity of the building to the schools is a real benefit.

We are continuing to hire for the remaining vacant positions and are almost there. I look forward to welcoming our new employees into RSU 24 and am excited to see our group of new teachers begin their RSU #24 teaching journey in our schools.

The Educational Leadership Team met for 8 days this summer, something that is a bit out of the norm. We spent this time working hard to discuss and reflect about our past work and to chart a course for the proficiency-based work that is ahead of us. We look forward to sharing these thoughts and district-wide agreements on our first day together.

There are several important dates to put on your radar, as we approach the end of our summer vacation. New employees will meet at the District-Services Facility on Tuesday, August 25, starting at 8:30 a.m. Our first official day as a full district is on Wednesday, August 26, at Sumner Memorial High School. We will have a light breakfast to start the day and will meet in the gymnasium at 8:30 a.m. The agenda is on the next few pages. On Thursday, August 27, building level work will take place in your respective schools. This will be followed by a long weekend before our students return on August 31st.

As I stated in a previous email, I am open and want to talk with as many of you as possible. I am interested in your thoughts and/or concerns about your work so that I can support you in the best way possible. If you are willing, please get in touch with my administrative assistant, Chris Alvarado (calvarado@rsu24.org) to schedule an appointment.

I am extremely excited about the upcoming school year and look forward to working with you. Enjoy the remainder of your time off.

Sincerely,

Michael Eastman, Superintendent

- MORNING AGENDA -

7:45 - 8:30 AM - BREAKFAST - SMHS CAFETERIA

OPENING WELCOME AND BEGINNING OF YEAR PROCEDURES

8:30 AM - SMHS GYMNASIUM

NIKKI CHAN - WELCOME AND CURRICULUM UPDATES

SUE LEIGHTON - ANNUAL EMPLOYEE FERPA TRAINING

NIKKI CHAN, BETH COOMBS & MELANIE BAILEY -ANNUAL EMPLOYEE BLOOD
BORNE PATHOGENS TRAINING

JANET JORDAN & CHRIS BEALS - ANNUAL EMPLOYEE SEXUAL
HARASSMENT TRAINING

KRISTINA MINOTT - ANNUAL EMPLOYEE SUICIDE PREVENTION WARNING SIGNS

CHARLES HEURTH - IT VISION AND UPDATES

SUE LEIGHTON - SPECIAL EDUCATION UPDATES

SUE LEIGHTON & CHRIS BEALS - DISTRICT WIDE ILP

MICHAEL EASTMAN - RSU 24 OPENING REMARKS 2015-2016



- MID-DAY AGENDA -

10:30 AM

SECRETARIES - RELEASED TO ROOM 10
OPEN FORUM WITH BUSINESS DEPARTMENT & INFINITE
CAMPUS PBE DISCUSSION

CUSTODIANS - RELEASED TO ROOM 6
ANNUAL TRAININGS: FIRE EXTINGUISHER, LADDER,
LOCK OUT/TAG OUT, MSDS, PERSONAL SAFETY, ETC.

BUS DRIVERS - RELEASED TO DISTRICT SERVICES FACILITY
SAFETY TRAINING & ROUTES AND PROCEDURES REVIEW

FOOD SERVICE - RELEASED TO KITCHEN

ADULT EDUCATION - RELEASED ADULT EDUCATION FACILITY

SCHOOL NURSES - RELEASED TO NURSE'S OFFICE
OPENING PREPARATION & TRAINING

GIFTED AND TALENTED - RELEASED TO LIBRARY
MDOE ANNUAL APPLICATION DEVELOPMENT

10:30 AM - 11:30 AM

“SESSION I” SCHOOL BASED BREAK OUTS: PROFICIENCY BASED EDUCATION AGREEMENTS AND HOW&L

CAVE HILL SCHOOL FACULTY AND STAFF - ROOM 8

ELLA LEWIS SCHOOL FACULTY AND STAFF - ROOM 4

MOUNTAIN VIEW SCHOOL FACULTY AND STAFF - ROOM 17

PENINSULA SCHOOL FACULTY AND STAFF - ROOM 23

SUMNER MEMORIAL HIGH FACULTY AND STAFF - ROOM 18

(K-8 SPECIALISTS - PLEASE CHOOSE ONE SCHOOL TO ATTEND)



- AFTERNOON AGENDA -

11:30 AM - 12:30 PM

LUNCH: BUILD YOUR OWN SANDWICHES

12:30 - 2:45 PM

“SESSION II” GRADE-LEVEL BASED BREAK OUTS:

GRADES K-2 & Title I: HANDWRITING WITHOUT TEARS TRAINING: OFFERING STUDENTS SUCCESSFUL TOOLS FROM KINDERGARTEN UP - ROOM 16

**Regular-Ed Ed Techs Please Attend This Session*

**GRADES 3-5: CURRICULUM AND HOW&L
COLLABORATIVE WORK - MATH & ELA BASED TEAMS - ROOM 22**

**GRADES 6-8 MATH & SCIENCE: CURRICULUM AND HOW&L
COLLABORATIVE WORK - ROOM 8**

**GRADES 6-8 ELA & SOCIAL STUDIES: CURRICULUM AND HOW&L
COLLABORATIVE WORK - ROOM 4**

**GRADES 9-12: MASTERY CONNECT CURRICULUM MAPPING INTRODUCTION
AND HOW&L VISION/IMPLEMENTATION PROCESS - ROOM 18**

**SPECIAL ED TEACHING STAFF & SPECIAL ED ED-TECHS: COMMON CORE
SKILLS AND SUPPORTS DOCUMENT WORKSHOP - ROOM 17**

**K-8 SPECIALISTS: CURRICULUM AND HOW&L
COLLABORATIVE WORK - ROOM 10**

**GUIDANCE: MASTERY CONNECT TRAINING, USING THE PROGRAM TO IDENTIFY
STUDENT NEEDS, AND GUIDANCE'S ROLE IN THE ILP PROCESS - ROOM 12**

