

MISSION

Our Purpose is to Ensure High Levels of Learning for ALL Students



NPUSC CURRICULUM CORNER

Welcome back!

We jumpstarted our year with a focus on using our assessments to drive our curriculum unit planning. We jumped into using our data from student assessments to drive our unit planning. Our Professional Learning Communities will receive support throughout the school year with Natalie from Solution Tree, meeting with teams throughout the year to provide teachers resources to help our teachers continue to work smarter not harder.



SUMMER NEWS

102

4TH-8TH GRADERS PARTICIPATED IN OUR 3E GRANT SUMMER CAREER CAMPS

279

6TH-12TH GRADERS ATTENDED SUMMER SCHOOL

795

ATTENDED OUR COUGAR ATHLETIC CAMPS



Smekens CompCon Training

We had over 25 elementary teachers attend a two day training this summer to work on Reading Comprehension. Our teachers across the district collaborated to learn new ways to reach ALL our students.

Other Summer Trainings

Some of our AP (Advanced Placement) teachers and PRIME Math teachers spent time this summer learning new strategies.

Other trainings throughout the district included Smekens Writing, Youth Institute, Phonemic Awareness, Word Play and other individualized learning!

OUR TEACHERS ARE LEARNING AND GROWING ALL YEAR LONG!

PLC Conference

For the 6th year in a row, NPUSC took a large group of educators to continue to grow in our Professional Learning Communities.

ELA PRIORITY STANDARDS

Last school year, our K-12 teachers collaborated to prioritize our ELA State Standards. This was a year long process which included prioritizing the state standards and creating a common formative assessment for all the identified standards. These assessments help determine the specific skill needs of all our students. The teachers will use this data to determine groupings (reteaching or extensions) during RTI time. This is an ongoing process that our teachers will continue to collaborate to make adjustments, as needed. The hard work and dedication of the teachers on this process was appreciated and shows the commitment of high levels of learning for ALL students!

Check out the NPUSC ELA Priority Standards under the Curriculum tab at npusc.k12.in.us

MATH PRIORITY STANDARDS WORK

Our kindergarten through twelfth grade teachers will be unpacking the Indiana State Standards at each grade level to identify the "must know" standards. Our goal for the 2023-2024 school year is to identify our priority standards by grade level, aligned by quarter of when they will be covered, completed and common formative assessments (skill checks) will be created. Aligning our standards (skills) throughout the grade levels and using the common skill assessment will insure we are building a strong knowledge base skill by skill for all students every year.

STEM GRANT

Our Science teachers will be provided with some resources to enhance their STEM development in the classroom. We will be identifying ways to implement STEM activities in our content areas.

Shout Outs!

As we head into the new school year, please take a moment to reflect on all the NPUSC staff does to bring out the very best in every student.

Often times, we get caught up in our day-to-day and forget to pause and say thanks to those who make a huge impact on our students daily.

This year we will be highlighting different groups monthly, please check out our corporation website and NPUSC Facebook page to see who the focus is for the month and meet some of our employees.

Thanks for supporting the hard work and dedication of our NPUSC staff.

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