



## Nelsonville-York Curriculum/Assessment/Gifted Update November, 2019

### **CURRICULUM:**

#### **Teacher Credentialing College Credit Plus Grant Awarded! :**

We have been awarded \$154,410.58 to cover tuition, fees and textbook costs for teachers wanting to become credentialed to teach CCP courses. We have 7 high school teachers interested. This will allow us to offer approximately 12 CCP courses to our students next school year. NYHS will continue to partner with Washington State Community College. [Read more about the CCP grant](#)

**Innovation Lab:** Valerie Webster and Amy Riccardi attended a Day of Innovation at Ashton Hannah Middle School in Reynoldsburg last week. We got to tour the new Inventionland Innovation lab, practice design challenges and explore the Innovation curriculum. This amazing space allows students to engage in problem based learning using 21st century technology. [Day of Innovation Highlights/](#) [More Info. on Inventionland](#)

**High Schools That Work (HSTW):** NYHS is currently exploring becoming a HSTW school. On Dec. 2nd, Nancy Ruth, the regional consultant for HSTW, will be meeting with the staff to discuss the program. The BLT met with her last week. [Read more about HSTW.](#)

#### **Reveal Math Pilot 6-8/Alg. I/Geometry,/Alg. II:**

The math curriculum pilot is going well. For the most part, teachers are pleased with the program. We will have another training Dec. 2nd on using the online assessments. [Explore the Reveal Math program](#)

#### **Striving Readers Grant:**

- **No More Fake Reading:** The upcoming Choice Reading PD is based on a book written by Berit Gordon called, No More Fake Reading. The ELA Dept. is currently reading this book in preparation for the Dec. 2nd training.: [Preview No More Fake Reading](#)
- **Choice Reading PD:** This year we will be having a whole group workshop and 1-1 coaching on Choice Reading for the high school ELA Dept. December 2nd and 3rd. A large body of research shows a strong relationship between voluntary reading, at school or at home, and academic achievement. Voluntary reading is a strong predictor of reading achievement and correlates to increased brain and language development. A wealth of resources is available to support teachers of any grade level to facilitate choice reading in their classrooms.
- **OCTELA Conference:** The high school ELA Dept. will be attending the Ohio Council of Teachers of English Language Arts conference in February.

#### **High School Graduation Requirements 2021 and Beyond:**

Ohio law enacted new, permanent graduation requirements that are available for the classes of 2021 and beyond.

[This chart outlines the options available to each graduating class, as well as a description of the](#)

[requirements.](#)

### **ASSESSMENT:**

#### **Upcoming Testing Dates:**

11/14: Preschool ELA window closes  
12/3: ELA I EOC retakes  
12/4: ELA II EOCretakes  
12/5: Biology EOC retakes  
12/10: Government EOC  
12/11: Algebra I EOC retakes  
12/12: Geometry EOC retakes  
12/16: FCS Webxams  
12/17: US History EOC retakes



**District Reading/Math Universal Screener:** All students in grades K-12 are being assessed in Reading using the STAR 360 online assessment. Students in grades 1-8, Algebra I, Geometry and Algebra II will be assessed in Math. All students are assessed three times a year. Students in Tier II or III intervention are assessed more frequently for progress monitoring. Teachers use this data to inform their instruction and ensure each child's needs are met.

### **GIFTED:**

**Model UN:** We have an all time high number of students attending MUN this year. They are completing their resolutions and beginning to work on debate skills, and cultural projects related to each group's country.

**Whole Grade Testing:** 6th grade CogAt testing has been completed and we are awaiting results so that notification letters can be sent out.

Whole grade testing for 4th grade is being organized. The teachers will train on proper administration of the IOWA soon. The testing will start after Thanksgiving break.

Individual referral testing is underway as well.

3rd/4th/5th are all doing wonderfully in TAG class. If you stop by any of these classes you might see us doing experiments, reading novels, practicing math skills, and/or creating arcade games out of cardboard collectively

#### **Acceleration:**

We have accelerated a 4th grade student into 5th grade math. It is going great!. We are working to create a policies and procedures binder for acceleration.

Check out the TAG website for updates and news: <http://tagnycs.weebly.com/>