

A MINUTE TO SEE WHAT'S HAPPENING IN THE Hull Public Schools

Monthly Staff Newsletter

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Dates to Remember

September

- 11 School Committee Meeting 6:30 pm
- 13 Jacobs School Open House 6:00 pm - 8:00 pm
- 14 Memorial School Open House 6:00 pm - 8:00 pm
- 21 Hull High School Open House 6:00 pm - 8:00 pm
- 25 School Committee Meeting 6:30 pm
- **27** Jacobs Early Release **Teacher Collaboration** 12:15 pm

Learning Walk Dates

- September 20, 2023-HHS
- October 3, 2023 JES
- October 24, 2023 MMS
- November 1, 2023 HHS
- November 14, 2023 JES
- December 6, 2023 MMS
- January 24, 2024 MMS
- February 7. 2024 HHS
- March 13, 2024 JES

HULL PIRATE PRIDE - Together We Make A Difference

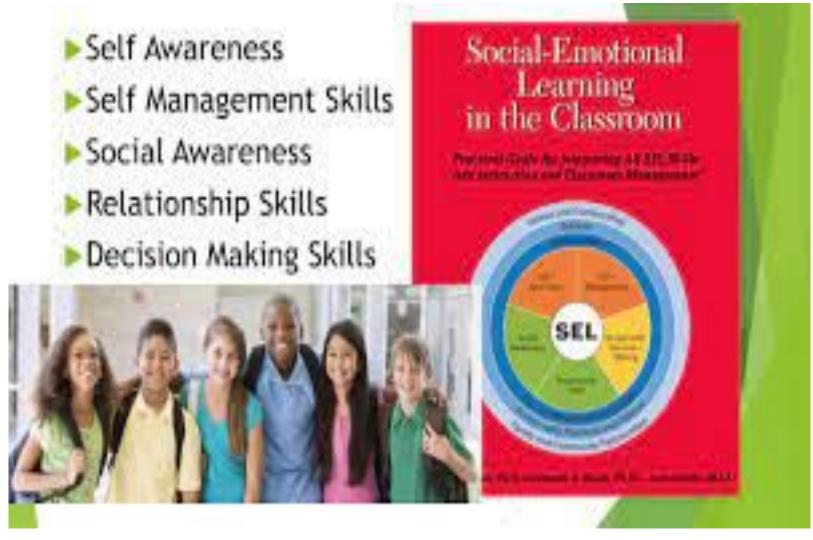
Themes for 2023 - 2024 School Year

- Hull Pirate Pride
- Meeting Students Where They Are
- Stronger Together
- Elevating Student Voices

New Things in the Hull Public Schools for the 2023-2024 School Year

- 1. New Language Arts Curriculum Program Amplify CKLA PreK-5 and Amplify ELA 6-7.
- 2. Spanish Curriculum Pilot in Spanish I, II, & III
- 3. Comfort Dog *Peddocks*
- 4. Student Resource Officer Officer Jake Mahoney
- School Safety and Emergency Preparedness Review
- 6. Addition of a second full day four year old preschool classroom
- 7. Solidified partnership with Hull Life Saving Museum to ensure the continued future of boat building @ HHS
- 8. Community theme for grades 7 & 8 to prepare both grades to transition together to HHS
- 9. Two Technology Specialist Stipend Positions Kerrie Ryan PreK-7 & Keith McKay 8-12
- 10. New Technology Platforms Gizmos/Vocabulary Power Plus/IXL- ELA
- 11. Jacobs library paraprofessional Deb Irby
- 12. Upgrade of Jacobs Library by Town librarians
- 13. New landscape and playground equipment @ Jacobs
- 14. Refreshed teacher areas @ Jacobs & HHS
- 15. New sound and light systems for HHS auditorium
- 16. Expansion of course offerings @ HHS
- 17. Band expanded to grade 5





SEL Tip from the RED Book pg. 145

Six Classroom Conditions for Creating an **Engaging Classroom**

- 1. Connecting the curriculum to the students' world and lives helps students see the work as engaging.
- 2. Teaching with enthusiasm and passion for the learning engages students because the teacher's attitude communicates the importance of the ideas and helps students see the work as important and see their struggle as they learn as worth the effort.
- 3. Engaging Teaching provides students with a clear pathway to mastery and success.
- 4. Differentiating instruction lets teachers communicate their commitment to each student's success by providing different pathways and alternative ways of demonstrating knowledge in content product or process.
- 5. Interpersonal relationships with students help teachers engage students.
- 6. Teacher and student beliefs about the nature of intelligence are expressed in teacher and peer feedback and discussions

Calm Classroom login information

FOR EXISTING USERS (also for blank screen):

- 1. First, login at <u>portal.calmclassroom.com</u>.
- 2. Second, click the following enrollment link to add the content to your existing account: <u>Calm Classroom</u> Portal Enrollment - Hull SY23-24



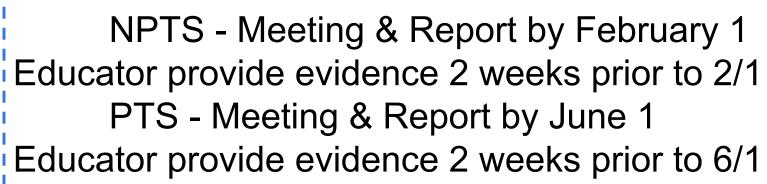
Professional Responsibilities

Evaluation Dates

Self Assessment/Goals

Completed by October 1

Formative Assessment



Summative Assessment

NPTS - Meeting & Report by May 15 Educator provide evidence prior to April vacation PTS - Meeting & Report by May 15 Educator provide evidence prior to April vacation

Educator License and Renewal

ELAR

Individual Professional Development Plan

The DESE Individual Professional Development Plan (IPDP) is a roadmap that educators create to outline their goals for professional growth and development over a five-year cycle. It helps educators stay current and meet the licensing renewal requirements.

Individual Professional Development Plan (IPDP)

PDPs

Of the 150 PDPs required to re-license in an educator's primary area, 90 PDPs must be in content.

Office of Educator Licensure - Massachusetts Department of Elementary and Secondary Education

PDPs earned last year will be disseminated by October 6.



Professional Development Opportunities

Keynote Artificial Intelligence Slides Keynote Al Slides

A self paced Al workshop is available with Greg. See link below for details.

https://thekulowiecgroup.teachable.com/p/exploring-artificial-intelligence-for-educators-school-leaders

If interested, complete a Teacher Request to Travel Form and submit to Patty Gardiner by September 22 and we will register everyone and provide a link to the workshop.

SMART Panel Training Link

https://hulltv.net/show/smart-board-with-iq
-and-lumio/

Technology Specialist Stipend Position

Kerrie Ryan PreK-7 Keith McKay 8-12

- * Support educators in enhancing their instructional practice through the integration of existing and future instructional technologies.
- * Collaborate with the Director of Curriculum and Assessment on available and future resources to enhance student engagement and learning. * Serve as a resource for colleagues and model instructional technology. * Provide short workshops/tips.

MA Partnership for Youth New Registration Process

REGISTRATION

- Members will no longer use their district's username and passcode to log in.
- https://massachusettspartnershipsforyouth.com/dashboard/?invite=0492f18762a51dbbf47faaacb6fd4282
- Members will be asked to create a unique username and password. MPY will approve members' accounts within 24 hours.
- Registration is required for every webinar series, whether viewed "live" or recorded. New this year, participants will be able to register once for all 5 sessions.
- Registration for each event must be completed on MPY's website.
- For MPY hybrid conferences, the date in-person registration closes will be posted on MPY's website. Virtual conference registration will close one business day before the hybrid conference. You cannot cancel or switch your registration from in-person to virtual after in-person registration closes. Please email Bonnie Mullen at bonnie@mpyinc.org with any questions regarding registration.

VIEWING RECORDED WEBINARS

- To help accommodate members' demanding schedules, MPY will make the recorded webinar available for 7 days following the live webinar.
- Following each webinar, MPY will email registered participants a link to view the recorded webinar.
- Once the viewing period has expired, MPY cannot reshare the link.







CHALK - Curriculum Mapping

The Chalk platform enables us to store and access a cohesive, standards-aligned curriculum. Last year we devoted professional time to curriculum mapping.

2022-2023 Expectations

- unit learning objectives
- meaning and acquisition
- standards
- estimated number of lessons

This school year 2023-2024 we will continue the work above with a focus on adding the following:

- assessments
- resources and materials
- student engagement activities
- opportunities for real-world connections
- personalized learning
- diversity

We have made significant strides in completing our district goal of designing and aligning well-organized, coherent, and effective curriculum maps to facilitate optimal learning that spans lessons, content areas, teaching, and grade levels. The building principals will provide time throughout the year to continue this work.



Professional Development Committee

We are looking for educators to join the Superintendent, Director of Curriculum of Assessment, and Director of Student Services to serve on the professional development committee. If you are interested, please email the Superintendent at jkuehn@town.hull.ma.us. The first meeting will occur in October.



National School Safety and Security Services wants to hear from you – comments welcome

School Safety and Emergency Preparedness Forum

Hull Public Schools has engaged National School Safety and Security Services, a national school safety consulting firm, to assess the district's security and emergency preparedness. Dr. Kenneth Trump, the firm's president, and Chuck Hibbert, a senior consultant, will be conducting an on-site visit to the district on September 18th and 19th. As part of the assessment process, these national experts are holding a listening session to get feedback and questions parents and school staff have about school safety in Hull Public Schools. The session will be held on Monday, September 18th, from 7:00 to 8:00 pm at Hull High School.

Parents and school staff are invited to participate as part of this information gathering process.

Parent, Teacher, Community Forum
On Monday, September 18, 2023
7:00 pm to 8:00 pm
In the Hull High School Exhibition Room

Please bring questions or if you are unable to attend, submit them to your child's principal prior to the forum.