

Dodge City Middle School

Dodge City Middle School will foster a culture with independent learning where students can achieve their full potential in academics, personal, physical and moral development in the 21st Century.

Building Better & Brighter FUTURES IN 2015 - 2016

FACULTY AGENDA

April 19, 2016

TEST SECURITY

- Never look at a KITE State assessment when students are testing, or record any assessment items. (This would be a test security violation and reportable to the state.)
- You may look at “KITE Practice Test” items for helping your students prepare for the types of questions they will take during the state assessment. (This would not be a test security violation.)
- You may also use the “KITE Practice Test” as an instructional tool. (This would not be a test security violation.)

APRIL PROFESSIONAL LEARNING COMMUNITIES

- Tuesday, April 19
 - Team e-Portfolio Energy Level Survey
 - Team e-Portfolio Template Design
 - Instructional Walkthrough Training
- Wednesday, April 20
 - [ELA PLC Energy Level Survey](#)
 - Review of Home Reading Incentives
 - A student reading 20 minutes per day outside of school scores in the 90th %ile on standardized test.
 - A student reading 5 minutes per day outside of school scores in the 50th %ile on standardized test.
 - A student reading 1 minute per day outside of school scores in the 10th %ile on standardized test.
 - ELA Recommendation on Summer Reading Program (Grades 5 – 7)
 - All Grade Level PLC’s Review Math & Reading API Data
 - Data Resources Located on Cardinal Spaces Under Grade Level PLC Tab
- Friday, April 22
 - Volleyball Tournament – by Lovitt
 - See Supervision Signup Map
 - Schedule and Procedures Distributed on Wednesday
- Monday, April 25
 - Calendar Committee Meeting 3:30 – 4:30 (Library Conference Room)
- Wednesday, April 27
 - No School Staff Development
 - [Rigor & Relevance Preparing Students to be College & Career Ready](#)
 - [References to Daggett Presentation Cardinal Spaces](#)

END OF YEAR CHECK IN DATES

- Not Before Monday, May 16
 - Textbook Check In
- Not Before Tuesday, May 17
 - iPad Check in Date P.M. Extended Advisory

REVIEW TEAM SCHEDULE FOR 2016 - 2017

- Monday = Team
- Tuesday = PD (Tech/Instruction)
- Wednesday = (1 PLC a Month Plus Late Start)
- Thursday = Kid Day
- Friday = Team

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT ITEMS FOR 2016 – 2017

- Revisiting Smartboard Usage (Tech Tuesday)
- [Mindset Maker – Fall 2016 \(See Handout\)](#)
 - In each module, teachers' complete a short diagnostic assessment, view a 10-20 minute video, and discuss the content with your colleagues in your learning group forum. Then you'll select an activity or project to implement using tools provided, try it out in your classroom, and share your results with your colleagues in the forum.

REVIEW & APPROVAL OF STUDENT HANDBOOK – By Mike King

- Recommended Changes in District Student Handbook
 - [See Posting “List of Changes USD 443 Handbook”](#)
- Recommended Changes in DCMS Student Handbook
 - [See Posting “List of Changes DCMS Addendum”](#)

DISCIPLINE REVIEW HISTORICAL DATA

- August 2009 – May 2010 (5,659 Occurrences)
- August 2010 – May 2011 (2,852 Occurrences)
- August 2011 – May 2012 (2,497 Occurrences)
- August 2012 - May 2013 (1,601 Occurrences)
- August 2013 – May 2014 (1,358 Occurrences)
- August 2014 – May 2015 (907 Occurrences)
- August 2015 – April 2016 (631 Occurrences as of 4-7-16)

REVIEW NEW RIGOR RELEVANCE STATEMENTS (Defining Vision Alignment with Kansas Can)

- An effective PLC strongly adheres to a vision of student learning, a vision that acts as a consistently articulated and referenced guidepost in making decisions about teaching and learning.
 - **Rigor:** We employ a rigorous project-learning college & Career ready curriculum that sets high expectations for everyone, and we give our students the skills and motivation to meet them.
 - **Relationships:** Our school is a school within a school where personalized learning and teams of teachers provide students with academic and social guidance.
 - **Relevance:** Our teachers create curriculum around current events, personal backgrounds, and historical realities while emphasizing competency in twenty-first-century skills.
 - **Results:** We focus on the results of student learning using multiple indicators so our teachers can adjust their practices and our school can offer personalized support to students.

REVIEW OF SOFTWARE APPLICATIONS 2016 - 2017

- Study Island will be discontinued
- Discovery Education will possibly be discontinued
- Istation Open for Review and Full Use
- Canvas Up for Review
 - [Video Link](#)

REVIEW OF FIFTH GRADE ORIENTATION

- [Orientation Web Link](#) (School Website)
- [Orientation Events Document](#)

REVIEW STEM SUMMER LEARNING ACADEMY

- [Summer School Web Link](#)
- [See Online Proposal](#)
- [See Summer School Brochure](#)
- Days in Session: (4 Days a Week Monday June 6 – June 30)

Summer School Timeline

- April 13 – Summer School openings announced by HR and online application process begins
- April 18-22 DCMS Send Home Notification letters to parent.
- Brochure Spanish & English
 - Letter Spanish English
 - Transportation Forms
- April 27 – Summer School teacher applications deadline
- May 6 – Notification of summer school assignments by building principals
- May 13 - First Meeting: Building Level Summer School Orientation

ACADEMIC CALENDAR 2015 – 2016 *(See Handout)*

- Thursday, August 4 Enrollment
- Monday, August 15th Teachers Report
- Monday, August 15th 7th & 8th Grade Students Building Tours & Locker Location
- Tuesday, August 16th 6th Grade Orientation and Open House
- Wednesday, August 17th Students Report First Day of School
- No School Days
 - September 5 Labor Day = 1
 - November 23 – 25 = 3
 - December 19 – January 4 Winter Break = 18
 - February 20 Presidents Day = 1
 - March 17 – 17 Spring Break = 5
 - April 14 Easter Break = 1
- Eight Late Starts
 - Wednesday, September 7, 2016
 - Wednesday, October 5, 2016
 - Wednesday, November 2, 2016
 - Wednesday, December 7, 2016
 - Wednesday, January 11, 2017
 - Wednesday, February 1, 2017
 - Wednesday, April 5, 2017
 - Wednesday, May 3, 2017
- Four Professional Development Days
 - Monday, August 15
 - Wednesday October 26
 - Monday, January 16
 - Wednesday, April 26
- Two Parent/Teacher Conferences
 - October 19 & 20 Teacher Guided Academic Focus
 - March 22 & 23 Student Led Conferencing