

**Race to the Top
Monthly Report to the Madison Board of Education
January 30, 2013**

Student Learning Objectives (SLOs)

- Madison will send two people to the training for Student Growth Measures, to be held at the Mid-Ohio ESC on February 4, 2013. This is a train-the-trainer session; the attendees will then train other members of the staff to help teachers create their SLOs.
- The Transformation Team will set up a training schedule at its February meeting.
- The music and art departments continued their pilot work to create SLOs.

Transformation Team Activities

- The team met on January 17, 2013 to hear the latest updates on the entire Student Growth Measures (SGM) process. SGMs include Student Learning Objectives, Value Added results in reading and mathematics, and any approved vendor assessments the district will use in 2013-2014. SGMs account for 50% of the teacher evaluation system; the observation process provides data for the other 50%.
- The next Transformation Team meeting will be February 21, 2013. The team will decide how to proceed with training the staff to create SLOs. ODE is recommending that each teacher complete at least one SLO this school year.

Professional Development

- The Race to the Top grant requires that the district map all curriculum and create classroom assessments in tested content areas for the 2014 – 2015 school year. The district is on schedule to meet this target.
- January was a busy month of meetings to create updated curriculum maps and assessments, based on Ohio's New Learning Standards. Work will continue until all grades and tested content areas are completed.

Budget

- RTTT funds are being used to pay substitute costs for all professional development.
- The district is using an outside provider to map the mathematics curriculum for gr. 6 – 12. Other mapping and assessment training is done by the curriculum director.

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