

**Race to the Top
Monthly Report to the Madison Board of Education
August 28, 2013**

Required Race to the Top Submissions to the Ohio Department of Education

- The district's Professional Development Plan, summarizing scheduled PD for 2013 – 2014 aligned to RTTT and OIP goals, was approved this summer.
- The Year 4 Scope of Work, outlining district-wide goals and activities for 2013 – 2014, was also approved.

Teacher Evaluation and Student Learning Objectives (SLOs)

- The district's SLO Professional Development Committee met in late June and early August to develop specific plans and prepare materials for the August 19 and September 23 district inservices.
- At the August 19 inservice, district staff met in grade-level and content-area groups to create pre- and post-assessments for two SLOs. If time permitted, they also began writing the SLOs themselves.
- The groups will meet again on September 23 to continue writing the two required SLOs. If more time is needed, the October 14 inservice will provide the final opportunity to finish the SLO process.
- The SLO Approval Committee will meet a total of five times to review each SLO and its corresponding assessments. The Committee will also determine if any revision is needed and, if so, return the SLO to the teachers for submission at the next committee meeting.

Professional Development

- Professional development in August: Grade 3 Language Arts teachers finalized their Common Core curriculum and created common assessments; Grades 2 – 5 Math teachers created common assessments at each grade level; the teachers for students with Multiple Disabilities / Cognitive Disabilities finalized their curriculum for Language Arts and Math, prepared assessment materials, and created progress monitoring systems; and the Ohio Improvement Process (OIP) Committee met to determine district-wide goals for the next two years.
- Professional development will continue in 2013 – 2014 to finalize curricula and assessments for the New Learning Standards in Language Arts, Mathematics, Science and Social Studies. The cost of substitutes will be covered by the Race to the Top grant.

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Monthly RttT reports are presented to the Madison Board of Education and the public at monthly Board of Education meetings. The reports are also posted on the district's website (www.mlssd.net). Changes to the district's website were made as part of Madison's Strategic Plan communication goal, the Ohio Improvement Process plan, and RttT's communication strategy.