

**Race to the Top  
Monthly Report to the Madison Board of Education  
December 17, 2014**

Race to the Top Professional Development

In December, Lynn Meister met with all teachers in grades 5 and 6 during their team time to review preparation for Spring 2015 testing and to discuss curricular and instructional needs. Teachers also determined ways to enhance their teamwork to better prepare students for high achievement and growth throughout the year. She also met with the ninth-grade math teachers to give them the most current information on testing procedures and available training for administration in the spring.

In January 2015, professional development will be held for a number of grade levels. Grades K – 4 will meet on a variety of topics, including test preparation for Grades 3 and 4. Language Arts teachers in Grades 5 and 6 will each have a day to refine instruction in reading and writing and to finalize preparation for testing.

All professional development activities fall under the umbrella of Race to the Top goals and the Ohio Improvement Process, and these meetings are funded by Race to the Top.

Report presented by Lynn Meister

**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.mlsd.net](http://www.mlsd.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.**