Curriculum and Instruction Committee
May 31, 2017

In Attendance:

- Tracy Baron          BOE Member
- Shannon Johnson     BOE Member
- Douglas Berry       Assistant Superintendent, Curr and Inst
- Lisa Brady          Superintendent
- Sylvia Fassler-Wallach Assistant Superintendent, Finance

Discussion Item:

Computer Based Testing (CBT) Field Test

- Springhurst will be administering a CBT field test in grade 5 Mathematics on Wednesday, June 7th
- Letter to parents later this week.
- Approximately 40 minutes total (log on procedures/directions/work time)
- Only a small number of questions
- Only students who participated in previous test included (18 opt outs will not participate)
- Good opportunity for us to get advance look at what CBT looks like in advance of future full scale roll out
- We have a chance to test our technology infrastructure and capacity to handle this on a small scale

Addressing Needs of Economically Disadvantaged Students

- Title Grant funding based on formula that accounts for Economically Disadvantaged Students
  - Title I - $134,092 - supports Academic Intervention Services (AIS) programs
  - Title IIA - $39,045 - supports teacher Professional Development
  - Title III - $22,947 - supports programs for Immigrant Students/ENL population (student after school/summer support, parent outreach, professional development)

- National School Lunch Program
  - Breakfast and Lunch
  - Includes Homeless and Foster Students
  - Application based on income

- Foundation Aid, BOCES Aid, and Building Aid calculations are all impacted by our % of economically disadvantaged students
Spring Academy at Springhurst
- Support students in grades 1, 2, and 3
- $15,600 District - $7,500 SPRING
- Criteria for participation
  1. F and R Lunch + Reading Needs
  2. Reading Needs

- Currently about 40% of students served are F and R
  - This % has decreased over the years = program effectiveness

What other programs might support Economically Disadvantaged?
- What type of program might serve as an effective support at the middle school level?
- Would there be a way to establish a Math support program at Springhurst?
- Lisa and Doug to explore with buildings as appropriate

Summer Bridge Program
- Oversight of the grade 8-9 transition “Summer Bridge Program” is shifting from MS to HS
- In the past has been offered in early July
- Student participation has been inconsistent in prior years
- In place of “Summer Bridge” piloting a 8-9 transition support program in the Fall
- Under development - could be after school/Saturdays?

Digital Portfolios
- HS is exploring options for introducing student digital portfolios
- Possibly in 9th grade
- Self curated by students w/ support
- Work samples tied to IB Profile/21 Century Skills traits
- Web based options
- Very early stages of discussion but progressing