Manitowoc Public School District Minutes of Curriculum Committee Meeting

November 22, 2019

Curriculum Committee Chairperson, Elizabeth Williams, called the meeting to order at 8:30a.m. Curriculum Committee Members, Meredith Sauer and Dave Nickels were present along with Jason Bull, Director of Teaching, Learning, and Assessment, and Pam Lensmire, Director of Curriculum and Instruction. Also present were Superintendent Holzman and Lisa Johnston.

District and School Report Card Update

Pamela Lensmire and Jason Bull presented an update on the district and school State Accountability Report Cards. The district Report Card score is 64.7 - Meets Expectations with no deductions. District and school report card scores are calculated based upon mathematics and literacy standardized testing performance in grades three through eleven, attendance and absenteeism rates, dropout rates and graduation rates. Points are awarded to schools in four priority areas: student achievement, district/school growth, closing gaps, and on-track and post secondary-readiness. Districts/schools are also assessed 5 point deductions if their absenteeism or dropout rates are above a set level.

In addition to the presentation of district and school data, the plans and actions that are being implemented to positively impact learning and teaching were also shared. These plans and actions were framed in three areas: a focus on learning, results orientation and collaborative culture. A focus on learning, results orientation and collaborative culture serve as the foundation of the professional learning community model focused on high expectations for all learners. Key actions include:

- Professional development and feedback provided to teachers related to the effective use of learning targets
- Collaborative teacher teams collecting and analyzing assessment data to determine evidence of student learning and effectiveness of instructional practices
- Focus on high levels of learning for all with responsive intervention and enrichment planning
- Time dedicated to purposeful collaboration and sharing of practices, resources, and support

School action plans, which are being shared during the school showcases, outline what each learning community will be doing to achieve their identified school improvement goal for the year.

Meredith Sauer made a motion to adjourn the Curriculum Committee; Elizabeth Williams seconded the motion. The Curriculum Committee meeting adjourned at 10:07 a.m.