



**RENFREW COUNTY DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD
AGENDA – PROVINCIAL PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITY DAY**

FRIDAY, MAY 15, 2009

SCHOOLS: Arnprior DHS, Fellowes HS, General Panet HS, Mackenzie HS, Madawaska Valley DHS, Opeongo HS, Renfrew CI, Adult Education and PAL

Group A: Student Success teams (administrators, SSTs, Guidance Heads, Special Ed Heads)

Group B: all secondary subject teachers, non-credit Special Education teachers, and teachers from Adult Ed and alternative sites

	FOCUS (REFERENCE SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT PLAN & PA DAY REQUIREMENT)	CONTENT (TOPIC / FORMAT / RESOURCES / TIMEFRAME)	FACILITATOR & LOCATION
9:00 a.m. - Noon	Group A: Student Success and Special Education – improving student success in making the transition from elementary to secondary - improving student success through the graduation rate	Transition meetings with secondary Student Success teams and grade 8 teachers and administrators have been scheduled. These meetings will result in the sharing of information with regard to student profiles, student needs - academic, behaviour and social, interventions that have already been put in place, student interests, and any other information that will contribute to the improvement of student outcomes in grade 9. Student Success teams will also be working on next steps, including plans for next year, for the 20 grade 11 students being monitored.	ADHS-Neil Farmer, FHS-Bryan Baird, GPHS-Dean Zadow, MHS-Patti Kinghorn & Terry Hughes, MVDHS-Debra Metzger, OHS-Steve Blok, RCI-Alanna Emon
	Group B: Student Success and Special Education – improving teachers' range of instructional and assessment strategies	9:00 – 10:30: Dennis Weatherdon will be providing the Special Education introduction to address the focus for secondary which is looking at Tier 1 support and intervention at the classroom level. Following this, teachers will be invited to participate in 2 twenty-minute carousel information sessions that relate to differentiating instruction and meeting the varying needs of our learners. Through these sessions, teachers will have the opportunity to take the information presented to them and determine how this fits into their planning and delivery methods. 10:30 – noon: Art, Business, Career Studies, Computer Studies, Co-op, Drama, English, Family Studies, French, Geography, History, Law, Library, Math, Music, Phys Ed, Outdoor Ed, Science, Social Science, Tech, PAL and Adult Ed Subject Councils will meet to discuss the various DI 'trials' that were in place in each of the secondary schools this spring.	All SC meetings will take place at OHS. Plenary-Dennis Weatherdon; Art-Melanie Bertrand, Business-Peter Burnette, Career Studies-Marshall McLaughlin, Computer Studies-Mark Popiel, Co-op-Loran Young, Drama-Hazel Ward-Moreau, English-Selina Smith, Family Studies-Anne Sabourin, French-Kathleen Mottershead, Geography-Jane Grant, History-Jeff Barber, Law-Tim Waterhouse, Library-Lorna Gleason, Math-Lauren Wilson, Music-Frank Pecora, (cont'd below)
12:00 – 12:45		LUNCH	
12:45 – 3:30 p.m.	Group A: Student Success and Special Education – improving student success in making the transition from elementary to secondary - improving student success through the graduation rate	Transition meetings with secondary Student Success teams and grade 8 teachers and administrators will continue. These meetings will result in the sharing of information with regard to student profiles, student needs - academic, behaviour and social, interventions that have already been put in place, student interests, and any other information that will contribute to the improvement of student outcomes in grade 9. Student Success teams will also be working on next steps, including plans for next year, for the 20 grade 11 students being monitored.	ADHS-Neil Farmer, FHS-Bryan Baird, GPHS-Dean Zadow, MHS-Patti Kinghorn & Terry Hughes, MVDHS-Debra Metzger, OHS-Steve Blok, RCI-Alanna Emon

	<p>Group B: Student Success and Special Education – improving the use of effective instructional strategies for all types of courses - using DI to make instruction relevant, engage students, and coordinate program planning boardwide</p>	<p>Subject Council meetings will continue with a focus on DI, assessment and evaluation, and program planning. Critical expectations are being determined for each of our courses (this is an ongoing project that was started in November), so that instruction, assessment, evaluation, differentiation and interventions will all focus on these identified expectations.</p>	<p>Phys Ed-Deb Walden, Outdoor Ed-Krista Petrie-Wallace, Science-Graeme Wyatt, Tara Archer Teskey, Social Science-PJ Weller, Tech-Terry Hoelke, Adult Ed-Peggy McLeese, PAL-Finley Claire, non-credit Spec Ed-Bill Smith</p>
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