

## Curriculum

### Professional Development

- October 12: Essential standards training for the virtual learning environment
- October 12: Kickstand assessment training
- October 15: Kickstand personalized session for questions and answers
- October 22: How to use Loom to record lessons
- October 26: Nearpod student engagement presentation training



### Zearn

- South Walnut is about to take their math software Zearn to the next level. With added features, teachers will now be able to set students to specific lessons, use Clever picture logins, provide building level data, and share data with other teachers. Thank you to Tina Loomis for spearheading this initiative!

### Michigan Integrated Continuous Improvement Process (MICIP)

- We are busy preparing for the new state system to support our school and district improvement plans. The District Leadership Team (DLT) will be integral in this new process as we begin to engage in a new way to look at improving our schools to best serve our students' needs.

## Literacy Coach

### IRIPS

- IRIPS for K-3 are completed. They are being shared at conferences and a copy sent to parents either with hybrid students or mailed to parents.

### Daily 5: Hybrid and Virtually

- Many K-4 teachers are beginning to introduce CAFE. CAFE is a way to structure goal setting for students in Comprehension, Accuracy Fluency and Expanding vocabulary.
- **Additional virtual instructional time** is has begun for 11 of our IRIP students. We are delivering targeted instruction via google meets. This first round will wrap up the week of Thanksgiving break.

### Paraprofessional Training

- PD was held for SW paraprofessional on November 3rd to discuss strategies for supporting students when they come across a word they do not know. The feedback showed that this was valuable and that we should do more of it!

## Grants

### Federal Funding

- Grant allocations have been finalized.
- Starting to plan with buildings to identify grade level/department needs.

### Robotics

- The state grant was renewed! We will be able to apply for the FIRST Robotics grant soon.

