

Common Core State Standards Summer Portfolios Project 2012

The summer is a great time for teachers to gain a fresh perspective on their teaching. Many teachers continue their education during the summer by taking a class at the university or attending workshops to develop their teaching strategies. Most teachers, at some point, begin to plan for the following school year. As you know, SD148 is implementing the Common Core State Standards (CCSS) during the 2012-13 school year

Are you ready as a teacher for this shift? The solution is the CCSS Summer Portfolio Project. The CCSS Summer Portfolio Project is an independent study that has three parts:

- Attend the informational meeting on June 7th or 21st, 2012
- Complete the activities described during the summer, submitting a CCSS portfolio with the activities at the August grade level meeting
- Attend the grade level meeting at your grade level:
 - 6th grade on August 13th from 10:00am-1:00pm
 - 7th grade on August 14 from 8:30-11:30am
 - 8th grade on August 14 from 12:00-3:00pm

Attending the meetings and completing the portfolio will help teachers prepare to implement the CCSS in their classroom for the 2012-13 school year. . . and you will also earn a \$500 stipend.

Materials:

- CCSS Investigation Activities (provided) on website at www.district148.net/mentor. Follow the link to the Common Core State Standards Summer Portfolio Project
- A copy of the ELA and Math CCSS for your grade level (visit <http://www.corestandards.org/> to download a full copy). The sections of the CCSS needed for the activities are provided on the website with the activities.
- Teacher Edition Book for your subject(s) at your grade level
- Other materials you use for planning and instruction

Purpose:

- To complete an unpacking of the standards using the CCSS Investigation Activities provided
- To develop a draft of a scope and sequence using the graphic organizer provided based on the CCSS for the 2012-13 school year to be used as a pilot in your classroom and a basis for discussion in August
- To develop a draft unit using the graphic organizer provided to be used as a pilot in your classroom in the first quarter of 2012-13 and to be used a basis for discussion in August

Procedure:

- i) June 7th or 21st, 2012.
 - (a) Attend the informational meeting between 10:30am and 1:30pm. Participants can attend at their convenience for 30 minutes to pick up the folder and receive the directions for the CCSS summer portfolio.
 - (b) A team of teachers at the same grade level may choose to complete the portfolio as a team by dividing the work. By doing so, they agree to also divide the stipend. Attend the meeting together on the 7th or the 21st and see the coordinator for details.
- ii) Between June 21st and August 10th
 - (a) Complete the CCSS Investigation Activities for one subject at your grade level
 - (b) Use the graphic organizers provided to develop a draft of the scope and sequence for ELA, Math, or your subject area in 2012-13 to be used as a pilot in your classroom and to be shared at the grade level meeting in August
 - (c) Use the graphic organizer provided to develop draft units for the first quarter to be used as a pilot in your classroom and to be share at the grade level meeting in August
- iii) August 13th and 14th, 2012. Attend the grade level meeting listed below to submit the portfolio you have created with the activities described, to share the drafts you have developed, and to create a curriculum with the members of your grade level team based on the CCSS to be piloted during the first quarter in 2012-13.
 - (a) 6th grade – August 13th from 10:00am-1:00pm at Riverdale School
 - (b) 7th grade – August 14th from 8:30-11:30am at Riverdale School
 - (c) 8th grade – August 14th from 12:00-3:00pm at Riverdale School

Timeline

- June 7th or 21st, 2012 – Informational Meeting 30 minutes
- June 22nd – August 10th, 2012 – Summer Portfolio 20-21 hours
- August 13th and 14th, 2012 – Grade Level Meeting 3 hours
- Total of 25 hours for compensation

Stipend

To receive the \$500 stipend, the participant must fulfill all of the following:

- ✓ Attending the informational meeting June 7th or 21st
- ✓ Complete the CCSS summer portfolio. Revisions of your portfolio may be requested before the stipend is paid.
- ✓ Attend the grade level meeting on August 13th or 14th
- ✓ Stipend submitted for payment in August 2012

Electronic Portfolios (optional)

Portfolios may be submitted as handwritten copies, word processed copies, or by electronic copy. The forms submitted for the activities can be used and saved electronically. Save the activity in the following format:

your name_activity#_subject_grade level

Once activities are complete, then the participant will email them to the coordinator at hurstm@district148.net where they will be saved for submission. You should also save a copy for yourself to be used at the grade level meetings. If you plan to use this method, please inform the coordinator.

This is an exciting time to be an educator. With the move to the CCSS, teachers have the opportunity to impact the changes that are taking place across the district. The CCSS Summer Portfolio is designed to have a positive impact on teachers as they begin to implement the changes in their classrooms for the 2012-13 school year.