Kindergarten Institute

August 20-21, 2015





Overview

- * Review of Kindergarten Institute
 - * sessions, locations, restrooms, lunch on your own
- * Keynotes
 - * Port Gardner A
- * Professional Learning with PreK & K colleagues
 - * Opportunity to network

AOP Key Performance Outcomes

- * Students meet or exceed standards by the end of kindergarten.
- * Students meet or exceed standards by the end of third grade.
- * State and federal achievement targets are met or exceeded.
- * All students are ready for kindergarten.
- * Community partners are engaged in common learning and shared practices with the district.

Kindergarten as a Transition Year

AOP Action Item Develop a high quality full day kindergarten model

Public Review Draft

Washington State Full-Day Kindergarten Guide





Public Review Draft – We welcome your comments and recommendations for how we can improve this document. Please send them to FDKGuide@k12.wa.us by October 1, 2015.

August 2015

WA state guidelines

- * Overview
 - * Table of Contents
 - Shared at Kindergarten Institute
- * Highlights

Public draft

Why do we need a new FDK model?

- Expansion from half-day to full-day has happened rapidly
 - Previous model built on half-day
- * Common Core State Standards and Washington state standards
- * Integration of 21st century skills and STEM
- Greater understanding of how learning develops
- Developmental continuum and teaching to the whole child
- * Greater need for differentiation for diverse learners
- National movement to create high quality early learning experiences
- State FDK requirements

Required elements for Washington state-funded full-day kindergarten

Provide at least a 1,000-hour instructional program.

* Provide a curriculum that offers a **rich**, **varied** set of experiences to assist students in:

- * reading, mathematics, and writing;
- * communication skills;
- science, social studies, arts, health,
 physical education, and a world language;
- * motor skills;
- social and emotional skills;
- hands-on experiences.



Required elements for Washington state-funded full-day kindergarten

- * Establish learning environments that are **developmentally** appropriate and promote creativity.
- * Demonstrate strong connections and communication with early learning community providers.
- * Participate in kindergarten program readiness activities with early learning providers and parents.
- * Administer WaKIDS.



21st Century Skills

Today's students are moving beyond the basics and embracing the 4C's and Self Direction – "super skills for the 21st century!"



1. Communication

Sharing thoughts, questions, ideas and solutions



4. Critical Thinking

Looking at problems in a new way, linking learning across subjects & disciplines



2. Collaboration

Working together to reach a goal

– putting that expertise and
smarts to work



3. Creativity

Trying new approaches to get things done equals innovation & invention

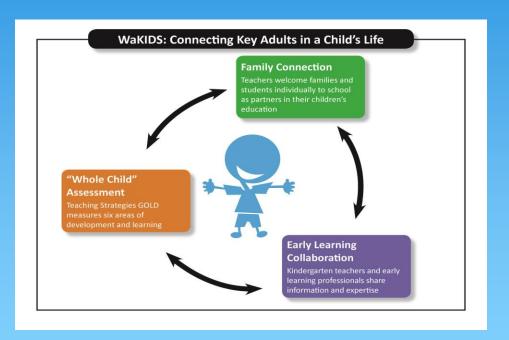


5. Self Direction

Managing goals and time, working independently, demonstrating initiative and reflection

2015-16 School Year

- 12 state funded FDK schools: Emerson, Garfield, Hawthorne, Jackson, Jefferson, Lowell, Madison, James Monroe, Silver Lake, View Ridge, Whittier, Woodside
- 2 Tution-based FDK Volunteer schools: Cedar Wood, Mill Creek
- 2016-2017 All elementary schools will be state funded full day kindergarten



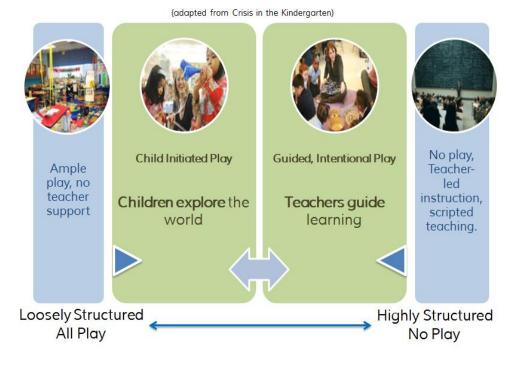


Washington
Kindergarten Inventory
of Developing Skills

Creating a learning environment

- Developmentally appropriate
- Rigorous
- Intentional
- Aligned with 21st century skills and standards

Kindergarten Continuum



Architectural design center



Architectural design center activity

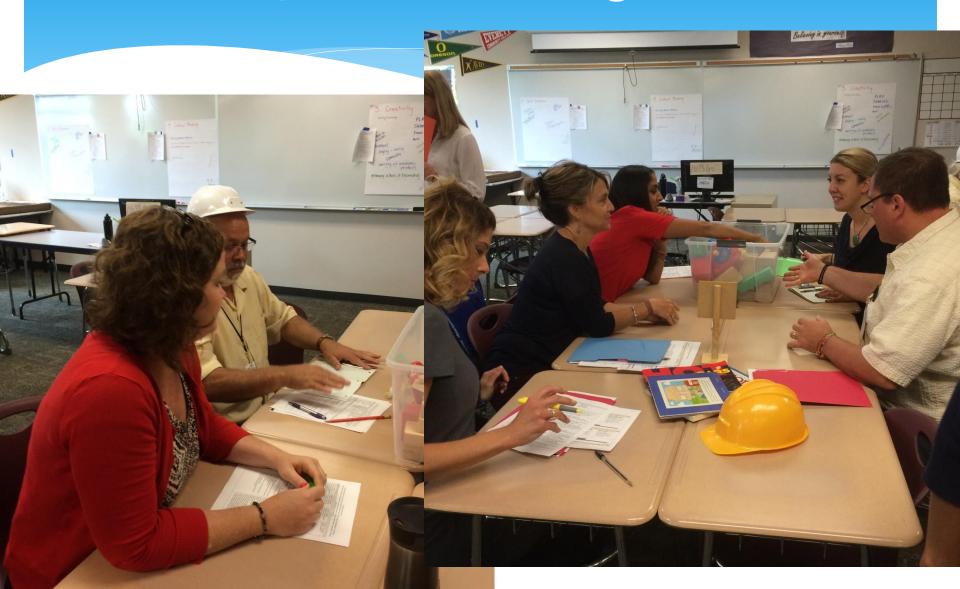
- Engage in the architectural design center
- * What standards and domains can students at this center be working toward?
 - Group 1: TSG Cognitive 11a & 21st Century Skills
 - * Group 2: TSG Cognitive 11b & 21st Century Skills
 - * Group 3: TSG Cognitive 11c & 21st Century Skills
 - * Group 4: CCSS Math & 21st Century Skills
 - Group 5: CCSS ELA & 21st Century Skills

Leadership Team Building with Blocks

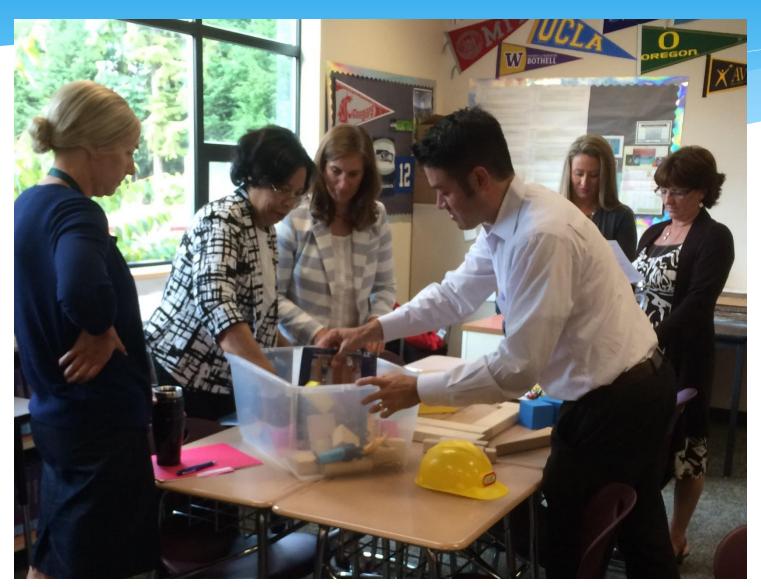




Leadership Team Building with Blocks



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Capacity Building

Early Learning Team

- * Cynthia Jones: Director of Categorical Programs
- * Chad Golden: Early Learning Curriculum Specialist
- * Kelly Marks: Early Learning Facilitator
- * **Bev Eickhoff:** PK Early Literacy Coach
- * Anne Fox: K-1 Early Literacy Coach
- * Mary Kay Rockenstire: 1-2 Early Literacy Coach
- * Monica DeFelice: ECEAP Program Manager
- * Karla Barton: Admin Assistant for Early Learning
- * Jodi Madison: Secretary ECEAP, Early Entrance
- * Tami Smith: Admin Assistant for Early Learning

P-3 Literacy Alignment Partnership Building Foundations That Last

BFTL PD model for 2015-16

* Pre-K

- Cohorts 1-4 (PLCs for refinement and updates)
- Cohorts 5-6 (1 PLC & 3 seminars)
- Parallel Cohort small providers (3 Saturdays and 3 coaching sessions)

* K-1

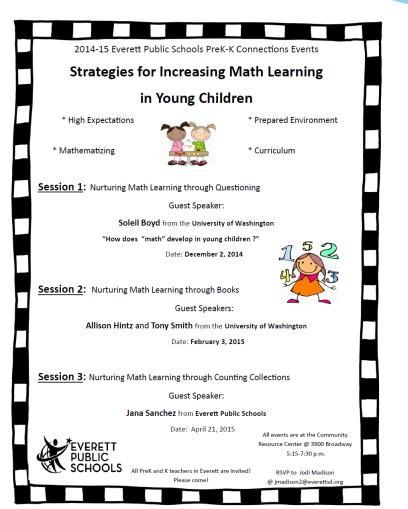
- * Cohort 1-4 two year training complete (PLCs for refinement & updates)
- Cohort 5 first year 2014-15 (2 demo days & 3 PLCs)

* 2nd and new K-1

- Overview day August 31st
- * 3 half day demos
- * 3 PLCs (4:00-6:00)



PK-K Connections



November 10th
February 2nd
April 19th

5:15 – 7:30 pm Port Gardner A & B

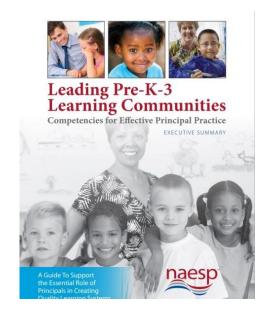
PK-K Focus Schools mini-grants

- Four schools and special services participated last year
 - * CW, GA, MC, MO
- Opportunity to apply for Gates Foundation mini-grants for 2015-16
 - Develop community connections
 - Connect with preschool community and families
 - * Funding for professional development
 - Funding to attend WERA P-3 Institute
 - WaKIDS alignment



UW P-3 Executive Leadership Institute

- Opportunity for teams to apply for UW P-3
 Executive Leadership Institute application opens in the fall
 - * http://www.pce.uw.edu/certificates/p-3executive-leadership.html
- Principal Leadership for PreK-3
 - * https://www.naesp.org/sites/default/files/ leading-pre-k-3-learning-communitiesexecutive-summary.pdf











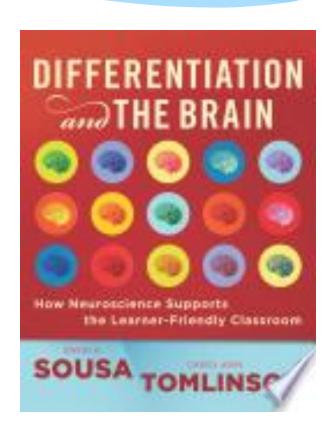


Elementary principal book study

- Differentiation and the Brain
 - * Sousa and Tomlinson

Benefits

- Discover ways to better meet the needs of increasingly diverse students.
- Learn more about how the brain learns and about approaches to differentiation.
- Understand the science behind teaching the best content in the best possible way.
- Design and implement strategies for effective differentiated teaching.
- Create a positive and productive learning environment.



Do you know what shape this is?

(Sung to the tune of "London Bridges")

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Do you know it's name?

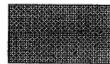


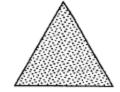
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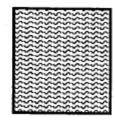
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