Audience Q&A Session

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Beachwood City Schools

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INTRODUCTION

● PRESENTERS:
  Dr. Robert P. Hardis, Superintendent
  Linda LoGalbo, Dir. of Curriculum & Instruction
  Kevin Houchins, Dir. of Equity & Community Engagement
  Dr. Ken Veon, Assistant Superintendent

● Three overarching, overlapping focus areas: student achievement, intercultural awareness, and mental health

● Five initiatives:
  ○ Professional Development
  ○ Formative Assessment
  ○ Access to accelerated and gifted programming
  ○ Hiring
  ○ Community Engagement
Professional Development
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Summer Book Studies
- White Fragility by Robin D’Angelo
- Why Do All the Black Kids Sit Together? by Beverly Daniel Tatum
- Across that Bridge by John Lewis
- Bias by Jennifer Eberhart

Curriculum Audit - Developing Culturally Relevant Classrooms
- English Language Arts K-12 (2020-2021)
- Examine our current curriculum for Diverse text
- Gender, Race, Family Structure, Differing Abilities, Socioeconomic
- Social Studies (2021-2022)
**Data Collection**

**Checks for Understanding:**

**Using Tech**
- Google Forms
- Edulastic
- Kahoot
- Clickers
- PearDeck

**Written (can be collected)**
- Exit Slips
- 3-2-1 Cards
- 3 Summaries
- Graffiti Maps
- Metacognition Table

**Observational**
- Thumbs Up - Thumbs Down
- Whiteboards
- Oral Questioning
- Socratic Seminar
- Think-Pair-Share
- Turn & Talk
- Running Records

**Milestone Checks**
- Quarterly Assessments
- Short-Cycle Assessments

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**Data Analysis**

**How did the class do overall?**

**What surprises did the data reveal?**

**How did the class do on individual questions?**
- Was the question clear?
- What misconception did the student(s) have?
- What instructional strategies were used to teach that concept?
- Is re-teaching necessary?

**How did individual students perform?**
- Is there a trend for this student?
- How has this student done on this concept in the past?
- Are modifications needed?

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**Timely Feedback**

**Types:**

**Written Feedback**
- Comments on written work
- Explanations about math problems
- Describes how to improve
- Doesn’t try to cover every issue (overwhelming)

**Oral Feedback**
- Check-ins
- Done during the lesson
- Interactive
- Focused on objective

**Feedback should be descriptive**
- Describes where student is in relation to the goal/purpose
- Specific direction on how to improve to meet the goal
- Answers the question: Can this student take action on this comment?

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**Adjustment to Instruction**

**Enrichment**
- Condense or eliminate material

**Re-explain**
- Different examples
- Different mode (visual/aural)

**Clarify**
- Provide a model of desired outcome
- Learning target
- Criteria for success
- Break down/Chunk tasks

**Time**
- Small Groups
- Tutoring/Homework help

**More Modeling**
- Review rubric
- Demonstrate
- Peer explanations

It’s important to note that the whole class or individual students may not have the prerequisites to meet the goal and an adjustment may be to "back up" and teach previous/lower level material. Data collection will assist in determining this during the data analysis.
Access to Accelerated and Gifted Classes

- Changed to Naglieri Nonverbal Achievement Test NNAT3 for gifted identification
- Applied the gifted cluster service model in lieu of a self-contained classroom program
- Creation of enrichment and acceleration programs in Math
  - Multiple entry points in variety of grades levels
  - Summer bridge programs to support students with content
Hiring Process

- How we advertise/recruit
- Interview Process
  - Screening/Application
  - Adding different perspectives in interview process
  - Questions are based on:
    - Work Ethic
    - Relationships
    - Cultural Competence
    - Instructional Knowledge
    - Content Knowledge
Staff Retention

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Retention

African American Teacher Affinity Group
Community Engagement

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Beachwood Schools Equity & Engagement

Teacher Equity & Engagement Teams
- Bryden Elementary School
- Hilltop Elementary School
- Beachwood Middle School
- Beachwood High School

Parent Equity & Engagement Teams
- Bryden Elementary School
- Hilltop Elementary School
- Beachwood Middle School
- Beachwood High School

Student Equity & Engagement Teams
- Hilltop Elementary School
- Beachwood Middle School
- Beachwood High School

District Equity & Engagement Committee
Composed of representatives from each of the Equity & Engagement Teams, plus a building secretary, building administrator, school psychologist, counselor, and the Director of Equity & Community Engagement.
Community Engagement

Hilltop Student Equity Team

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BHS Student Equity Team
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Bryden Parent Equity Team

BMS Teacher Equity Team
Student Engagement

MAC Scholars

National Honors Society
Student Engagement

National Museum of African American History and Culture

Black Diamonds

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Historically Black Colleges & Universities (HBCU)

Fisk University

Tennessee State University
Community Engagement

Banner Project

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