



NEWSLETTER

Upcoming Events

- NEASC Meetings: 1st Friday of the month
- [February 12-13, 9-3pm Curriculum Materials Review](#)
- [February 14: 1-2pm MnMTSS info session](#)
- February 19: 9-11 & 1-3 CoP District Literacy Leads & Admin
- [February 21, 9-10 & 1-2pm: TDE Rubric Alignment info session](#)
- [March 19, 8:30am - 3pm: Culturally Responsive & Responsible Instruction PD for Instructional Leaders](#)

Reminder from Tara



enjoy every moment.



Math Update



STEFANIE BIEBL & KRISTEN KILPO

February is full of opportunities to grow and connect in mathematics education! Explore the highlights below and be part of the journey, or check out this [flyer](#) for even more ways to get involved.

- Join us on March 5th at NESc for a deep dive into Mathematical Practices 2 & 3! This session is designed for K-12 teachers and leaders looking to strengthen their understanding and implementation of these practices. The day will also include dedicated time for collaboration with educators from across the region to bring this work into your classrooms. - [Register Here](#)
- Join us on March 7th with the NEASC group for a collaborative session on math best practices! We'll discuss effective strategies for math instruction and explore ideas for planning impactful math professional development for the 2025-26 school year. If you would like to join us - [Register Here](#)
- Math Practice Webinars with Sara VanDerWerf - Every other Wednesday Morning before school. [Register Here](#)
- February Minnesota Math Leaders Meeting - You do not have to be in a leadership role to join this group. If you teach or lead math instruction you are a math leader. - [Register Here](#)

Join Us for Our K-12 Event on March 5th at NESc!

Don't miss out—register now and be part of the learning!



Click here to register

COMPASS info

The summer COMPASS institute is happening again!!

The COMPASS team is working hard to develop many professional development opportunities for districts, schools, and teachers across the state. The COMPASS Pathways catalog will be out this spring! Your regional team will also be partnering with you to provide regional support and discuss options for your district.



Literacy Update

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Website: [READ Act Page](#)

Local Certified Facilitator Community of Practice: 1st Wednesday of every month from 1-3:00 p.m.

District Literacy Lead Community of Practice: 3rd Wednesday of every month with two options to attend 9-11:00 a.m. or 1-3:00 p.m.

Equitable Access

SARAH KLYVE

Are you exploring how core instruction is addressing the needs of all students? I'd love to connect and share how I can support you and your teachers in meeting those needs more effectively, while delving into Universal Design for Learning, student experience data, and much more!

Email me at sarah.klyve@coop.nescmn.net

Instructional Leadership

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Curriculum Materials Open House at NESc, February 12 & 13, 1:30-3:30pm

NESC has been hosting a Community of Practice on the curriculum adoption process that began back in October. On February 12 & 13, participants of the community of practice will spend the day with vendors and materials, hearing about their products and asking questions based on their selection criteria. The NESc is opening the vendor showcase to all districts in the region from 1:30-3:30pm both days, for school leaders to view materials and connect with vendors. [Information & Register.](#)

Teacher Development and Evaluation Rubric Alignment Info & Support, two options: February 21, 8am or 1pm

The teacher development and evaluation (TDE) statute has changed, impacting all Minnesota school districts and charter schools. The updated statute requires instructional frameworks to embed culturally responsive methodologies, aligned to the 2023 PELSB Standards of Effective Practice by school year 2025 - 2026. If you would like to hear more about this, get some resources to help you get started, and/or have an opportunity to ask questions: [Information & zoom link.](#)

Culturally Responsive and Culturally Responsible Instruction - Foundational Learning for Leaders, March 19, 8:30-3pm

The intention of this full-day PD is to give instructional leaders a deeper understanding of culturally responsive and responsible instructional methodologies. Leaders will explore foundational research, examine instructional practices, and make specific connections to MN content area standards, structured literacy, and the new PELSB Standards of Effective Practice. The intended audience is all instructional leaders: principals, superintendents, teaching & learning, teacher leaders, Q-COMP folks, etc. [Information & Register.](#)

MnMTSS information: GINA COLE

[MDE MnMTSS link](#)

Why Mn MTSS? Over the years RTI was gradually morphing into MTSS, educators and leaders in Minnesota have worked to establish RTI/MTSS in schools. We know MTSS efforts have been in place in our districts and schools for many years, however in 2020 the opportunity arose to develop a Minnesota-specific definition and framework.

Minnesota Multi-Tiered System of Supports (MnMTSS) is a systemic, continuous improvement framework for ensuring positive social, emotional, behavioral, developmental, and academic outcomes for every student.

MnMTSS now encompasses 5 components: 1. Infrastructure for Continuous Improvement 2. Family and Community Engagement 3. Multi-layered practice and Support 4. Assessment 5. Data-Based Decision Making

Check out the [MnMTSS Framework](#) here...reach out if you have any questions!

Establishing Effective Tier 2 and Tier 3 Teams and Programming Course:

- In this course, district and school leaders will work together to establish expectations for Tier 2 and Tier 3 teams and programming in all schools. Content and breakout rooms will accommodate planning for elementary, middle and high school levels. Prerequisite = participation in the 6-session course.
- Meets via Zoom noon-2:30 pm on Thursday, February 13, 2025; Wednesday, March 5, 2025; Thursday, March 6, 2025; Thursday, April 3, 2025. [Registration Link](#)

[February 14th MnMTSS info session link](#)



Regional Support Update

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As school advocates for the Northeast Service Cooperative, we provide school improvement support to schools and districts identified under the Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA). We currently work with 21 schools in the northeast region. These include elementary and middle Schools, charter schools, alternative learning centers and online schools. Our work includes supporting administration, leadership teams and teachers to implement evidence-based practices to improve student outcomes.

[Northeast Service Cooperative website link](#)

