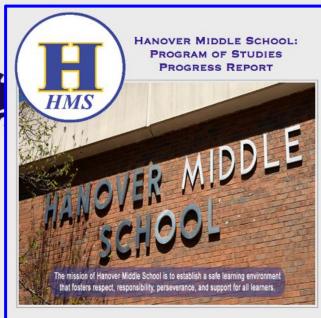
HANOVER MIDDLE SCHOOL END OF YEAR - PROGRESS REPORT







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Attaining Our Goals



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PROGRAM OF STUDIES UPDATE

Goal 2: District Improvement- To develop a comprehensive Program of Studies for Hanover Middle School, to identify opportunities for alignment with the Innovation Academy design at HHS, and to explore opportunities for personalized learning at HMS.

GOAL SUMMARY: To produce an organized outline of grade level expectations and opportunities for all students while surveying current course schedules and descriptions for improvement.

Update the existing program of studies with current course descriptions.

- Course descriptions have been changed to reflect updated standards and align with essential skills focused on collaboration, communication, and cognitive rigor.
- The Middle School staff has focused on essential skills to rewrite and change course descriptions.
- Courses started from scratch Adding the Scope and Sequence Outline (includes standards, common assessment, technology integration, common project based learning) to the POS so that parents have an idea of what students are expected to know and be able to do each term.

Using HMS essential skills, examine the updated program of studies and identify strengths and weaknesses.

- Weakness The course descriptions were not reflective of the current standards and needed to be completely revised.
- Strength The many wonderful specialist and exploratory experiences that exist for the students of Hanover

3. Determine priorities for focus areas and revisions.

- To create a comprehensive program of studies that offers exciting opportunities and experiences for all students.
- Priorities for focus areas are for curriculum alignment in the core content areas.
- Teams of grade level content teachers were put together to create the course description.
- When discussing the priorities, we determined that it was necessary to rework our instructional design in the core content areas. During this work, the teachers by content and grade level were able discuss experiences that all students would have within any grade level content
- The grade level teams were then asked to map out each term including standards, common units and assessments (including at least 1 common writing assessment and a project based learning experience)

- Ensure essential school-wide skills are at the core of all decisions and aligned to the work at HHS.
 - HMS collaborated with HHS to create a plan for aligning with new Pathways at the high school.
 - The plan includes working with staff during the Spring of 2018 and the 2018-2019 school year to embed choices into activities and assessments that align with Technology and Engineering, the Fine and Performing Arts, Business and Entrepreneurship, and Health and Social Services.
- Evaluate additional and future options for personalized learning (early HS credit, Science Fair, Virtual High School, National Jr. Honor Society, entrepreneurship programs, computer science track, etc.)

2018

- * Grade 5 Math Enrichment has been successful
- * Science Fair is on April 26th. Over 60 Entries.
- * Entrepreneurship Program will be working in 3rd term to plan and open a school store.

2018-2019

- * Algebra 1 students will receive high school credit upon successful completion.
- * Spanish and French students will receive high school credit upon successful completion.
- * National Junior Honor Society (Criteria will be shared with community in May)
- * Creation of more ELA and Math time in grade 5.

Focus of Work

Timeline



Hanover Public Schools Program of Studies

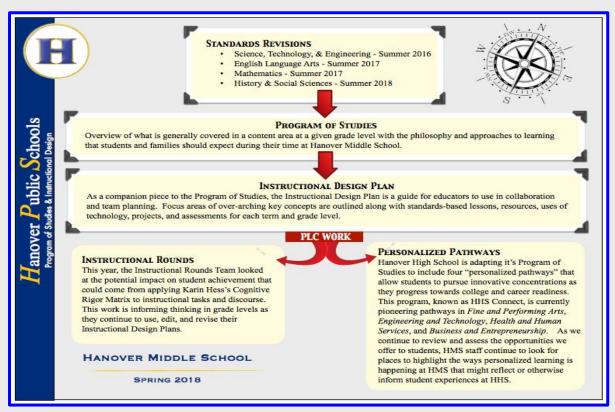
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PROGRAM OF STUDIES UPDATE SPRING 2018

Fall 2017	Winter 2017	Spring	Remaining Spring 2018	2018 - 2019
Reviewed the Middle School Program of Studies	Incorporated core content instructional design by grade.	Development, Revision, & Review	Work to Create Synergy with HHS Personalized Pathways	Continue to work on improving the Program of Studies
Created time for teachers to collaborate to update and create the new course descriptions for their courses Used Professional Development time to use a Tuning Protocol to align the different grades by content area. Edited and shared document for review and comment by the leadership team made up of HMS and HHS administration and coaches	The original goals: 1. Make the teaching and learning clear for students, parents, and faculty. 2. Create a tool used to help align the teaching and learning in the content area. Create an instructional design plan to align standards by term and highlight common units, lessons, assessments, and experiences that all students will have. Use professional development and PLC time with faculty to collaborate, create, and edit the document.	Used tuning protocol with staff to discuss and align a draft of the instructional design plan by content area in grades 5 - 8 Ongoing revision and review of instructional design plans.	Work with faculty to discuss alignment with the HHS pathways and incorporate student choice into lesson planning and assessments. Finalize the Program of Studies to present to School Committee.	Make appropriate change based on standards, feedback, ongoing review. Continue to create areas to align with HHS pathways in grades 7 and 8



Path of Progress



Connected Work

STANDARDS REVISIONS

- Science, Technology, & Engineering Summer 2016
- English Language Arts Summer 2017
- Mathematics Summer 2017
- History & Social Sciences Summer 2018









Curriculum Framework Standards Revision





PROGRAM OF STUDIES

Overview of what is generally covered in a content area at a given grade level with the philosophy and approaches to learning that students and families should expect during their time at Hanover Middle School.



Program of Studies





INSTRUCTIONAL DESIGN PLAN

As a companion piece to the Program of Studies, the Instructional Design Plan is a guide for educators to use in collaboration and team planning. Focus areas of over-arching key concepts are outlined along with standards-based lessons, resources, uses of technology, projects, and assessments for each term and grade level.



Instructional Design Plan



PERSONALIZED PATHWAYS

Hanover High School is adapting it's Program of Studies to include four "personalized pathways" that allow students to pursue innovative concentrations as they progress towards college and career readiness. This program, known as HHS Connect, is currently pioneering pathways in Fine and Performing Arts, Engineering and Technology, Health and Human Services, and Business and Entrepreneurship. As we continue to review and assess the opportunities we offer to students, HMS staff continue to look for places to highlight the ways personalized learning is happening at HMS that might reflect or otherwise inform student experiences at HHS.



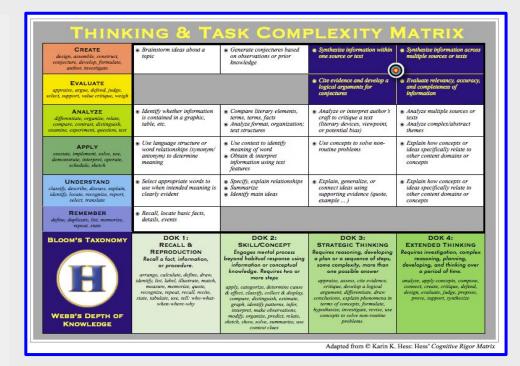


Personalized Pathways

Instructional Rounds

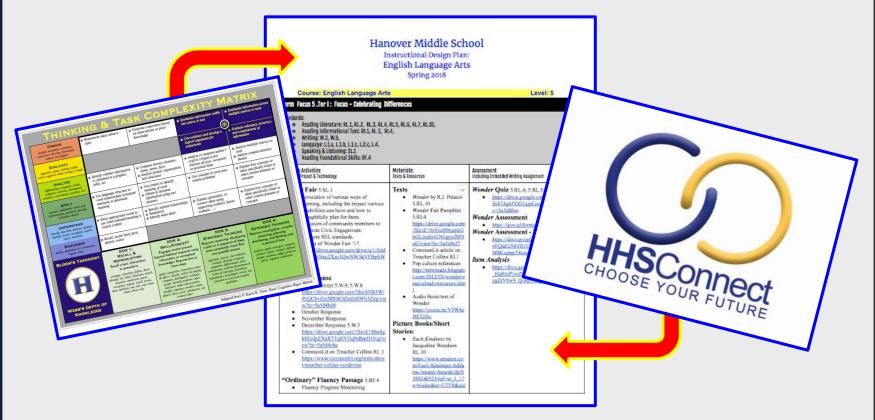
Guiding Questions:

- 1. How is *cognitive rigor* reflected in the *writing tasks* that students are engaged in during class observations?
- 2. How is *cognitive rigor* reflected in the *discourse* that students are engaged in during class observations?
- 3. What examples of high-quality feedback* were students provided during class observations?





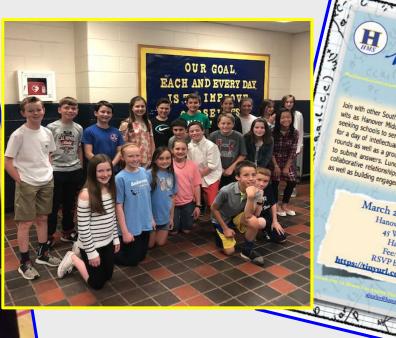
PLCs & Making Meaning in the Homestretch



Collaboration & Instructional Coaching









Science Fair

Math Tournament & Enrichment Class









5th Grade Literacy



Hanover High School Credit: Algebra and World Language



Program of Studies Review



