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SCHOOL COMMITTEE MEETING April 15, 2021

7:00 p.m.

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Our mission is to foster a community of learners who strive for excellence and prepare each student to be a successful, contributing citizen in a global society.

7:00 I. ORGANIZATION

- 1. Call to Order
- 2. Consent Agenda Minutes - April 8, 2021 -Oath to Bills and Payroll

7:05 II. INTERESTED CITIZENS

7:10 III. <u>RECOGNITION</u>

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7:15 IV. PRESENTATION

- 1. State of Curriculum Reports Part II: Curriculum Coordinators will present the state of the curriculum reports within their subject:
 - Presentation I: Hilary Bridge Art and Music
 - Presentation II: Mike Foustoukos-History and Social Science
 - Presentation III: Liz Kelley- World Language
- **2. State/Local/Public Health Metrics:** Chair, Mike Fontanella and Katrina Wilcox Hagberg will give an update on the State/Local/Public Health Metrics.
- **3. Financial Update**: Business Manager, Steve Mark will provide a Financial Update.
- **4. District-Wide Update on Mental Health Supports:** *Director of Pupil Personnel Services, Lyn Snow will give an update on District-Wide Mental Health Supports.*
- 7:40 V. <u>SUPERINTENDENT EVALUATION</u>: Discussion of feedback from School Committee members regarding the Superintendent's Annual Evaluation.

7:55 VI. OLD BUSINESS

- **1. Pooled Testing Participation**: Director of Pupil Personnel Services, Lyn Snow will give an update on Pooled Testing student/staff participation.
- **2. 9-12 Full In-person return**: Principal John Harrington will give an update on the 9-12 Full In-person return on Monday, April 12, 2021.

8:00 VII. <u>INTERESTED CITIZENS</u>

8:10 VIII. SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS

- 1. PMBC
- 2. Budget Subcommittee
- 3. Policy Subcommittee: (see LPS website to view all policies) http://www.littletonps.org/school-committee/school-committee-polices

8:15 IX. <u>ADJOURNMENT/EXECUTIVE SESSION</u>

Motion to move into Executive Session for the purpose of contract negotiations with no intention to return to Open Session.

NEXT SCHOOL COMMITTEE MEETING April 29, 2021

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SCHO	OL COMMITTEE
	MINUTES
	April 8, 2021
	7:00PM

PRESENT: Mike Fontanella

Matthew Hunt Timalyn Rassias Brad Austin

Justin McCarthy

ALSO PRESENT: Kelly Clenchy

Steve Mark
Dorothy Mulone
Bettina Corrow

NOT PRESENT:

CALL TO ORDER

On a motion by Matthew Hunt, and seconded by Timalyn Rassias, it was voted to return to open session at 7:00PM. (AYE: Unanimous). Motion carried. Roll Call Vote: Matthew Hunt, AYE; Brad Austin, AYE; Timalyn Rassias, AYE; and Mike Fontanella, AYE.

On a motion by Matthew Hunt, and seconded by Timalyn Rassias, it was voted to approve the March 25, 2021 consent agenda as presented. (AYE: Unanimous). Motion carried. Roll Call Vote: Matthew Hunt, AYE; Brad Austin, AYE; Justin McCarthy, AYE; Timalyn Rassias, AYE; and Mike Fontanella, AYE.

INTERESTED CITIZENS

Katie Richards – I appreciate the thoughtful approach that has been taken to return to school. Really appreciate it but I was wondering what the plan is for the junior college essays for the remainder of the school year, especially for Mr. Tombeno's English class.

John Harrington – I will be happy to inform you privately as well. We are in the process of looking at several applicants for the remainder of the school year.

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- 34 Gihanah Seb-Di Dio – An Instagram page has been shared about racism and how students have experienced
- 35 racism while in school. What has Littleton been doing for anti-racism since the start of this school year?
- Kelly Clenchy We have lots of Culture diversity in our district. We have received professional development 36
- 37 workshops for both administrators and faculty facilitated by Dr. Wornum. The high school is offering a course
- 38 of diverse culture. We have had round table discussions at the middle and high school with students and staff 39
- 40 Elizabeth Steele – A lot of teachers have done PD lessons on their own. Teachers have been teaching their
- 41 coworkers. We have added more inclusive books into our school libraries. Focus groups have been formed.
- 42 Jason Everhart – We are making steps in this area but there will always be more steps to take. At our last two
- 43 staff meetings we have discussed how we can include cultural diversity into each curriculum. We have
- 44 challenged our staff to include it into their curricular at every subject and it is embedded in what we do. 45
 - Gihanah Seb-Di Dio Do you have data you can provide for the PD that teachers have taken?
 - Elizabeth Steele Yes, we do an anecdotal survey of the PD's that teachers have taken, so we have that data
- from our teachers. We are conducting focus groups, so we can respond to how this has impacted the 47 48
 - classroom instructions. We are forming a DEI team which will be data driven.

Brad Austin – I understand this question was more for administration, but I wanted to let you know that this is also on the school committee members' minds. I have had many emails and conversations with Dr. Clenchy and know that this is part of the curriculum. Focus groups are formed and professional development has happened. The Instagram page you are referring too is somber to look at and reminds us all, we can do better in our school and community.

RECOGNITION

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1. Superintendent Clenchy recognized Heidi MacGregor for being the April spotlight for ISTE STEM.

PRESENTATION

- 1. Update to Sewer Discharge Site under LHS/Soccer Fields: On behalf of the LWD, Director of Public Safety and Communications Ivan Pagacik gave an update on the upcoming project for upgrading the sewer discharge site which is sited under the high school soccer fields. Nick Lawler spoke briefly about the project too. They are hoping to have it completed by November 2021. But the field will need to be reseeded and that would mean that the field would not be available for fall 2021, spring 2022 and fall of 2022 sport use. If sod is put down, the field would not be available fall 2021 and spring 2022. If synthetic turf is put down, it would be at a much higher cost, but the field would be ready to use by spring 2022.
 - Mike Lynn spoke highly of having a synthetic field added to the high school fields. Having a second synthetic field in town would be highly beneficial for both high school as well as youth sports.
 - Justin McCarthy Which money are we using? Where do the soccer teams go for the one or two seasons? If we can find the money, I would be open to learn more about synthetic options. What is the lifespan for a turf field?
 - Mike Lynn We would potentially move the soccer teams to the Russell Street and or Middle school fields, but we would be tight for space. It is not ideal, but we must make the best of it.
 - Nick Lawler Synthetic turf will have just as long a lifespan as a regular grass field.
 - Ivan Pagacik We can only get bids for seed or sod. Not for synthetic turf. We would need to adjust the current layout.
 - Brad Austin I would need to see cost figures before I can decide. I would like to hear what the community has to say. This is a lot of money.

84 Mike Fontanella – The school budget pays for the watering of the high school fields currently. The other 85 fields are being covered by Park and Rec.'s budget. I personally feel we should investigate this further. We should exhaust every option for a synthetic turf. I think it is beneficial to look into this option. This is 86 87 the best chance to get a second turf field. 88 89 **Public Input:** 90 MaryFran Mitrano – I am here to represent lacrosse. We are in full support of another turf field. 91 Brad Laing – I do see a lot of families using the field all the time. During Covid times we had more than 92 93 500 kids in the soccer program. I think it would be a big benefit to the town with another turf field. 94 95 Melissa Payer – I missed all the costing information. I support the further investigation. You would use 96 less pesticide. 97 Mike Fontanella – Yes, a lot less pesticide use with turf. 98 99 Todd Gram – Will this jeopardize the leach field? Will the leach field be expanded? 100 Nick Lawler – It should not be jeopardized. 101 Ivan P – The discharge will be larger. 102 103 2. State of Curriculum Reports Part I: Curriculum Coordinators presented the state of the curriculum reports within their subject: 104 105 i. Presentation I: Meredith Perry - Health and Physical Education 106 ii. Presentation II: Elizabeth Rego – Mathematics 107 108 • K-12 PE/Health was presented by Meredith Perry, who gave a brief overview of the initiatives 109 within the departments at all four schools: **Shaker Lane and Russell Street School** 110 Units Covered: Non-Locomotor, Locomotor Movements, Throwing, Catching, Jumping, and 111 112 Kicking 113 Focused on Good Sportsmanship and following HEART during PE class. Used limited equipment this year - created our own fun. 114 Teachers met to collaborate on a K-5 PE Scope and Sequence and to come up with common 115 vocabulary and skill checklists. 116 Middle School 117 118 During Hybrid Teaching we wanted to make sure students engaged in some form of physical 119 activity while practicing their social distancing **High School** 120 Utilized different online apps and websites (EVERFI; Map My Run; StoryboardThat) 121 Use of breakout rooms via Google Classroom. 122 Continued use of weight room while maintaining social distancing (sanitizing equipment in 123 between student use) 124 Getting outside as much as possible (weather permitting) 125 126 Focusing on lifelong fitness High School PE following Covid-19 rules 127 128 129 • 6-12 Mathematics was presented by Elizabeth Rego, who highlighted the initiatives, 130 recognitions, and accomplishments within the Math department at the Middle and High School. **Middle School Accomplishments:** 131 Math Lab – Kara Rice 132

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MCAS Strategies

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134	Professional Development
135	Problems of the Week
136	Real World Applications
137	Student engagement
138	SEL
139	Technology in the Classroom
140	Technology in the Classicolii
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142	Advanced Placement
143	AP Calculus Reader
143	Two sections of AP Statistics
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	MCAS Strategies
146	Aligned to Common Core
147	Math Tutor: Ray Streeter
148	Professional Development
149	Dual Enrollment: CP Statistics
150	New Statistics textbooks
151	Technology in the Classroom using ALEKS program
152	Intermediate Algebra – Financial Applications
153	Projects
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155	Recognitions and Awards
156	New England Math League (NEML)
157	6 th Grade – Individual-based contests:
158	Math Kangaroo, MOEMS, BigHelp, AMC-8, MathCounts, RSM Olympiad
159	7 th Grade – Scholastic Hardest Math Contest
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161	Current Focus Areas
162	Preparing 10 th and 11 th grade students for MCAS
163	Continue to implement technology in the classroom.
164	ALEKS
165	Real world applications
166	New Statistics textbooks and resources
167	Update graphing calculators
168	Collaboration with Math Department
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170	3. Spring Sports update: Athletic Director, Mike Lyn gave an update on the Spring Sports and the Fall II
171	Season.
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173	Fall II Participation by sport:
174	■ V Football: 32
175	■ V Cheer: 16
176	■ V Boys' Indoor Track: 22
177	V Girls' Indoor Track: 19
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179	State and MIAA Guidance
180	All sports at the youth, interscholastic, and adult levels must follow the current EEA guidelines
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(updated 4/2/21).

MIAA Spring Season Dates: 4/26/21-7/3/21.
 MIAA Open State Tournament: 6/18-7/3 (not participating).

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- Leagues should organize into geographic pods in order to minimize travel and limit opponents.
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- Spectators per guidelines.Transportation per guidelines.

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Sport-Specific MIAA Modifications

■ Face coverings are required at all times except for designated mask breaks.

sports (available at www.miaa.net > COVID-19 Task Force page).

- Maintain social distance whenever possible.
- Sanitation procedures defined.
- Players and officials must arrive in uniform ready to play/officiate. No locker room access.

MIAA Sport Committees have provided guidelines and modifications for all approved spring

- Players provide their own water.
- Roster size limitations.
- Team benches redefined and expanded.
- No handshake ceremony.
- Please see the MIAA sport-specific rules modifications and guidelines documents for details.

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MIAA District 2/3 Actions

- Follow all EEA, DESE, MIAA, Board of Health, and local district guidelines for athletic participation.
- Shortened season organized into geographic / competitive balance pods of schools rather than divisional alignments.
- District 2/3 Open Tournament: 6/7-6/19 (participating).
- Littleton's baseball/softball pod includes Clinton, Gardner, Lunenburg, Oakmont, Quabbin, Tyngsboro.
- Littleton's outdoor track pod includes Bromfield, Clinton, Lunenburg, Tyngsboro.
- Littleton's lacrosse pod includes Leominster, Marlborough, Nashoba, North Middlesex, St. Bernard's, Tyngsboro.
- Littleton's tennis pod includes Ayer-Shirley, Bromfield, Clinton, Fitchburg, Tyngsboro, West Boylston.
- The plan for spectators is still being discussed at this time.

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A few points to consider:

- Athletics and other co-curriculars are a voluntary privilege. Parents, students, and coaches have the option to participate or opt out.
- Participation in athletics provides a daily social gathering for students under the supervision of a qualified adult with strict guidelines and rule modifications in place.
- While the physical health of our students is our top priority during this pandemic, we must also be mindful of their mental and emotional health. As we all know, athletics plays a critical role in the overall health of many of our students.
- During a normal year, our athletic participation rate hovers in the 69% range at LHS.

Matthew Hunt – I am in support of a spring sport season. It is really good for the kids.

Brad Austin – How are you using the captains to encourage best behaviors. I did not think about the fact that the season goes beyond when the seniors are still in school. They would no longer be taking part in the pool testing since they will not be at school.

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Mike Lynn – I remind the coaches and players all the time via twitter, weekly principal emails and coaches remind their players constantly. It is not uncommon for seniors to play beyond when the

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school is ending. We just have to hope that senior students are making good choices.

Justin McCarthy – I really appreciate all the hard work and best of luck for this last season.

On a motion by Timalyn Rassias, and seconded by Justin McCarthy, it was voted to approve the Spring Sport 2021 as presented. (AYE: Unanimous). Motion carried. Roll Call Vote: Matthew Hunt, AYE; Brad Austin, AYE; Justin McCarthy, AYE; Timalyn Rassias, AYE; and Mike Fontanella, AYE.

4. State/Local/Public Health Metrics: Katrina Wilcox Hagberg provided a presentation on the State/Local/Public Health Metrics. Her data presented was through April 7, 2021.

Test positivity rate is now at 2.88% in Littleton. Littleton's rate is 23.4 per 100K. Littleton has 32 new cases and we are back in the red. Within the four schools all pools from the pooled testing have been negative.

She presented that the 4 different variants have been found in this state. Mrs. Hagberg reminded everyone, parents and students, to do the right thing. Keep your mask on, social distance and use all the layers of cheese to protect yourself, your family and the community.

Kelly Clenchy – In terms of Covid cases. We have had 9 cases within the last week. 5 cases at the high school and 4 at the middle school and 2 of them were close contacts. Instead of notifications we are working on a dashboard notification, which will provide a snapshot of the overall positive cases. Lyn Snow – Pool testing is a screening tool not a diagnostic. We have not had any positive pool testing. It is a snapshot of a moment in time. The reason why we have not seen any positive pool testing could be because the student or staff member was home the day of testing, as they should be if they have any symptoms.

Brad Austin – I am encouraged by the DESE data and seeing less infected teachers. But should we be looking at clusters at this time?

Katrina Wilcox Hagberg – We expect to find more clusters at this point, as a cluster is considered 2 or more in a confined space. We are going away from hybrid to full in-person at schools.

Justin McCarthy – Can you explain the cluster again. Is K-12 clusters actually happening in the school buildings, or are they tracing it back to sleepovers and things of that nature? "Vaccinetime" is on twitter and will notify you when vaccine appointments are available.

Katrina Wilcox Hagberg – The definition of a cluster is that you have two cases related in a shared setting.

5. District-Wide Update on Mental Health Supports: This presentation was deferred to another meeting.

6. Update on Universal Screening for Dyslexia: Director of Pupil Personnel Services, Lyn Snow and Director of Teaching and Learning Elizabeth Steele gave an update on Universal Screening for Dyslexia.

An Act Relative to Students with Dyslexia

- Directed the Department of Elementary & Secondary Education to issue guidelines that support district development of screening procedures for students demonstrating signs of a neurological learning disability, including but not limited to dyslexia.
- Stakeholders articulated the following critical goals, needs and concerns
- equitable and immediate access to reading support
- early screening and prompt interventions for students
- addressing risk of dyslexia begins early and in general education
- evidence-based practices for students with dyslexia will be a key concept for districts
- integrate the Dyslexia Guidelines with other DESE guidance

The Dyslexia Guidelines are intended to be a living, evolving document, one that will continue to be a source of direction and support for districts, families and especially for students with dyslexia, learning disabilities and reading needs.

Preventing Reading Failure:

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Research conducted over the last 25 years substantiates the notion that students with dyslexia have unique. neurological profiles, these profiles exist prior to formal reading instruction and that when provided with early and appropriate intervention, efficient neurological patterns for reading can emerge.

Avoiding a 'Wait to Fail' Framework

- ✓ Risk factors for dyslexia can be detected prior to formal reading instruction.
- ✓ Screening for risk is critical for efficient intervention.
- ✓ Screening is not an eligibility determination.

Universal screening for dyslexia is designed to reliably indicate each student's unique risk for experiencing later difficulties with accuracy and fluency in word reading. Screening for dyslexia risk is not the same as evaluating a student for special education eligibility, as screening tools are designed to predict the likelihood of reading challenges without the presence of targeted interventions and support.

There is evidence to support a referral for Tier 3 instruction and/or a comprehensive evaluation among those students who perform at or below the 5th percentile on screening measures.

Littleton Public Schools – Universal Screening – Early Literacy

- MAP Growth Reading Assessments
- Fountas and Pinnell
- Acadience Reading
- AIMSWeb

Next Steps:

- Preliminary research
- Looping in related staff
- Research tools/screeners
- Finalize and formalize the plan

Justin McCarthy – Can the school diagnose a student with dyslexia now?

Lyn Snow – Yes, we are already doing that. But with this plan we will be able to diagnose a student even earlier.

Mike Fontanella – Encouraging to hear you are not starting from scratch but even more encouraging that you will be able to do even better at this point.

OLD BUSINESS

1. **Draft Calendar 2021/2022 School Year**: Superintendent Clenchy requested the School Committee to approve the 2021/2022 calendar as presented.

Justin McCarthy – Would like to have start time, early release days etc. discussion on the agenda at a later time.

On a motion by Brad Austin, and seconded by Justin McCarthy, it was voted to approve 2021-2022 School Calendar as presented. (AYE: Unanimous). Motion carried. Roll Call Vote: Matthew Hunt, AYE; Brad Austin, AYE; Justin McCarthy, AYE; Timalyn Rassias, AYE; and Mike Fontanella, AYE.

- **2. K-8, 9-12 Full In-person return**: K-8 School Principals gave an update on their Full In-person return. HS Principal John Harrington gave an update on grades 9-12 preparations for Full In-person.
- Michelle Kane These last two weeks have been great. We have needed more support from guidance and school psychologists this week. But every student, in-person or fully remote, are "rocking it".

 Cheryl Temple It was a pretty smooth transition for everyone. Some areas where we are struggling are in
 - Cheryl Temple It was a pretty smooth transition for everyone. Some areas where we are struggling are in the cafeteria and at dismissal. They are making twice as many lunches as usual. Our dismissal time is still taking a little longer than usual, but we are getting better each day.
 - Jason Everhart The return to the Middle School has been great, the kids have done a fantastic job. I cannot give enough gratitude to our teachers. They are still having some remote students and a lot more students in their classroom. I could not be more pleased on how well it has gone thus far.
 - John Harrington We are looking forward to welcoming the students back on Monday April 12. We have purchased TV-tray tables for the cafeteria to keep the 6-feet distance. We will have the students wipe down their own small tray table before lunch. We have been updating our seating charts. Emails of updated protocols will be sent out tomorrow to students and parents.
 - Brad Austin Thank you to everyone for your help in every area.
 - Justin McCarthy Congratulations. Good luck to the high school next week.
 - Timalyn Rassias Can we get the numbers of students coming back to the high school.
 - John Harrington 95 seniors, 78 junior, 87 juniors, 88 freshmen.
 - **3. Extension of Pooled Testing:** Discussion on the extension of the Pooled Testing to continue to the end of the school year. The state has decided to continue their funding through the end of this school year. Superintendent Kelly Clenchy and the School Committee decided that the district will continue the program moving forward.
 - Matthew Hunt I think we should continue to program to the end of the school year.
 - Timalyn Rassias I agree. We should continue with the program.
 - Justin McCarthy Did the Board of Health contact the school? Lyn Snow – Yes, they have been in contact.
 - On a motion by Brad Austin, and seconded by Matthew Hunt, it was voted to approve the pool testing through the end of the current school year. (AYE: Unanimous). Motion carried. Roll Call Vote: Matthew Hunt, AYE; Brad Austin, AYE; Justin McCarthy, AYE; Timalyn Rassias, AYE; and Mike Fontanella, AYE.

NEW BUSINESS

- 1. Spring Reopening MOA: School Committee voted on the proposed LEA Spring Reopening MOA.
 - On a motion by Justin McCarthy, and seconded by Matthew Hunt, it was voted to approve the LEA Spring Reopening MOA as presented. (AYE: Unanimous). Motion carried. Roll Call Vote: Matthew Hunt, AYE; Brad Austin, AYE; Justin McCarthy, AYE; Timalyn Rassias, AYE; and Mike Fontanella, AYE.

INTERESTED CITIZENS

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SUB-COMMITTEE

- 1. PMBC No update
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- 2. Budget Shaker Lane Statement of Interest. It did not get accepted this year but that is not unusual. Took a couple of years when we put in for Russell Street School.
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- 3. Policy Policy IC/ICA School Year Calendar Second Reading

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On a motion by Brad Austin, and seconded by Timalyn Rassias, it was voted to accept the second reading of Policy ICICA with mortification as presented. (AYE: Unanimous). Roll Call Vote: Matthew Hunt, AYE; Brad Austin, AYE; Justin McCarthy, AYE; Timalyn Rassias, AYE; and Mike Fontanella, AYE

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Policy ID - School Day - Second Reading

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On a motion by Matthew Hunt, and seconded by Matthew Hunt, it was voted to accept the second reading of Policy ID with mortification as presented. (AYE: Unanimous). Roll Call Vote: Matthew Hunt, AYE; Brad Austin, AYE; Justin McCarthy, AYE; Timalyn Rassias, AYE; and Mike Fontanella, AYE

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Policy IGA - Curriculum Development - Second Reading

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On a motion by Brad Austin, and seconded by Timalyn Rassias, it was voted to accept the second reading of Policy IGA as presented. (AYE: Unanimous). Roll Call Vote: Matthew Hunt, AYE; Brad Austin, AYE; Justin McCarthy, AYE; Timalyn Rassias, AYE; and Mike Fontanella, AYE

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4. SEPAC – Tuesday 7pm meeting on bylaws.

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ADJOURNMENT

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NEXT MEETING DATE

School Committee April 15, 2021

7:00PM

Zoom Meeting

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- **DOCUMENTS AS PART OF MEETING**
- Public Health Metrics for Covid-19
- State of the Curriculum Health and Physical Education
- 423 State of the Curriculum – Mathematic
 - Littleton Athletics Fall II & Spring 2021 Seasons
- 425 Dyslexia Screening Update
- 426 2021-2022 School Calendar
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- Policy ID School Day 429
 - Policy IGA Curriculum Development

Hilary Bridge Art and Music Presentation Video

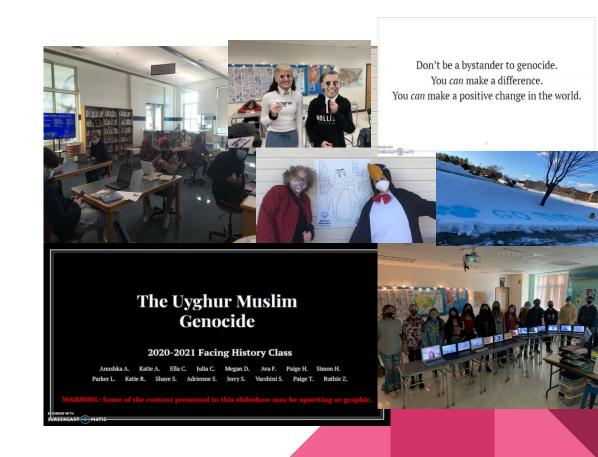
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Db9ZhJuqC1Y&authuser=0

History and Social Science Department Update 2021

Mike Foustoukos 6-12 History and Social Science Curriculum Coordinator

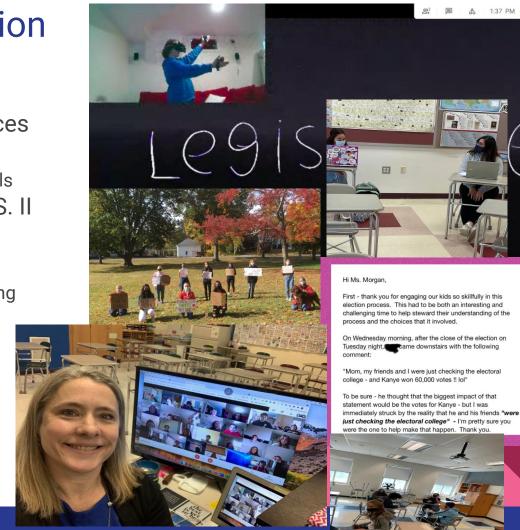
Accomplishments and Highlights

- Transition to Civics at the 8th grade level resulting in a condensed World History at the High School level
- Additional Electives at the High School level
 - Race and Membership
 - Global Studies
 - Sociology
- Presentation by Facing History to the LHS student body on Uyghur Muslims in China
- Physical Timeline of Anti-Racism by Race and Membership
- Virtual visit with Mrs. Janet Applefield, a survivor of the Holocaust in Facing History
- Financial Literacy in Economics through Everfi and DCU



Adaptations to Instruction and Learning

- Differentiated Assessment Practices
- Project Based Learning
 - Research projects in most grade levels
- Civics Project in 8th Grade and U.S. II
- Current Events
- Virtual Field Trips
 - Edward M. Kennedy Institute for Voting rights and access
- Analyzing Primary and Secondary Sources
- Revisions to work
- Higher Order Thinking Questions



Professional Development

- Let's Talk about Race and Equity
 - Led by Susan Harvey and Heidi MacGregor
- Collaboration with the English Department to develop a shared "Humanities" course
- Middle School Social Studies Curriculum Coordination and Planning
- Best Practices for Hybrid and Remote learning
- Individual Professional Development
 - Equity and Cultural Bias
 - Civics



Technological Resources

- Kami
- iCivics
- EdPuzzle
- Newsela
- Mentimeter
- Google Slides for collaboration
- Google forms for formative assessments
- Drone videos of major landmarks, cities, and historical sites
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Global History

Who were Marx and Engels?
Karl Marx co-authored The Communist
Manifesto with Friedrich Engels. Both men
were German, and Engels' father owned a

The Communist Manifesto provided the basis of Marxism the philosophy behind

3. What is Marxism?

Marxism is the philosophical basis of

4. According to Marx, how was society divid-

Marx believed there were two classes of people in industrial society the haves and the have-nots. the haves were the bourgeoisie or owners, the ones who became rich off of other people's labor. the have-nots were the proletariat or workers who did the labor but received little in return

5. What did Marx predict would happen? According to Marx, there would be a world-wide revolution, and the bourgeoisie will be

Communism

textile factory where he observed the abuses

of industrialization first hand.

2. What was their contribution to history?

was created by private ownership 9. What was Marx's political vision?

Government, along with the rest of society, would be run by the people the proletariat. The government would exist to meet the needs of the proletariat, and not the needs of business

caused by the jealousy and frustration that

10. What is communism?

Communism is the political system that was put in place in the name of Marxism. It doesn't really resemble the theory very much at all.

11. Compare Marxism and Communism.

	Marxism	Communism
	of the same class & would have the same money	Communist societies were not "classless", but had an upper class of the ruling elite, and then the rest of

The Charleston Chronicles

The It Girl



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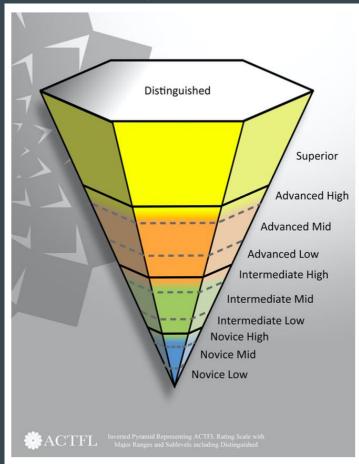




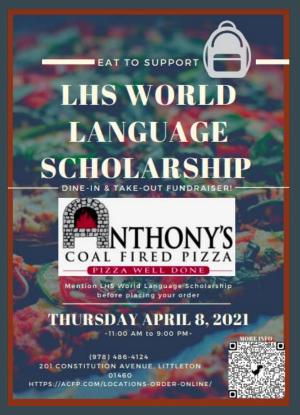




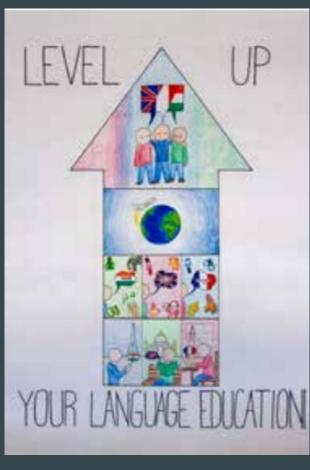
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Littleton Public Schools World Languages 2021



MaFLA Poster of the Year by Leah Dennehy

Reasons to Be Proud



Novels



Akshaya Naapa Ramesh, NCEE gold medalist

Opportunities for Students:

- National Latin Exam
- National Etymology Exam
- JCL Essay Contest
- MaFLA contests
- World Language Month
- Dual Enrollment Courses



Professional Development

REINJECTING COLOUR INTO CLASSICS w8

Echoes of Ancient Poetry in Hip-Hop

with Vanessa Stovall and Jermaine Bryant

Our final event of HT21 and possibly our favourite answer to the question: Why do you study classics if everything is dead?. At first glance you probably wouldn't compare presidency - we certainly didn't - but it turns out ancient poetry has much more to do with modern hip-hop than you might think.



THE CHRISTIAN COLE SOCIETY FOR CLASSICISTS OF COLOUR





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Roman things, topics, jokes, news, etc.







The Comprehensible Classroom

Acquisition Boot Camp (ABC) is a month-long self-directed intensive intended to



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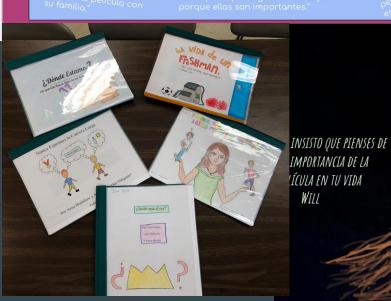
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What a Year!







Stephane Legar

a gagné avec 63 071 votes!



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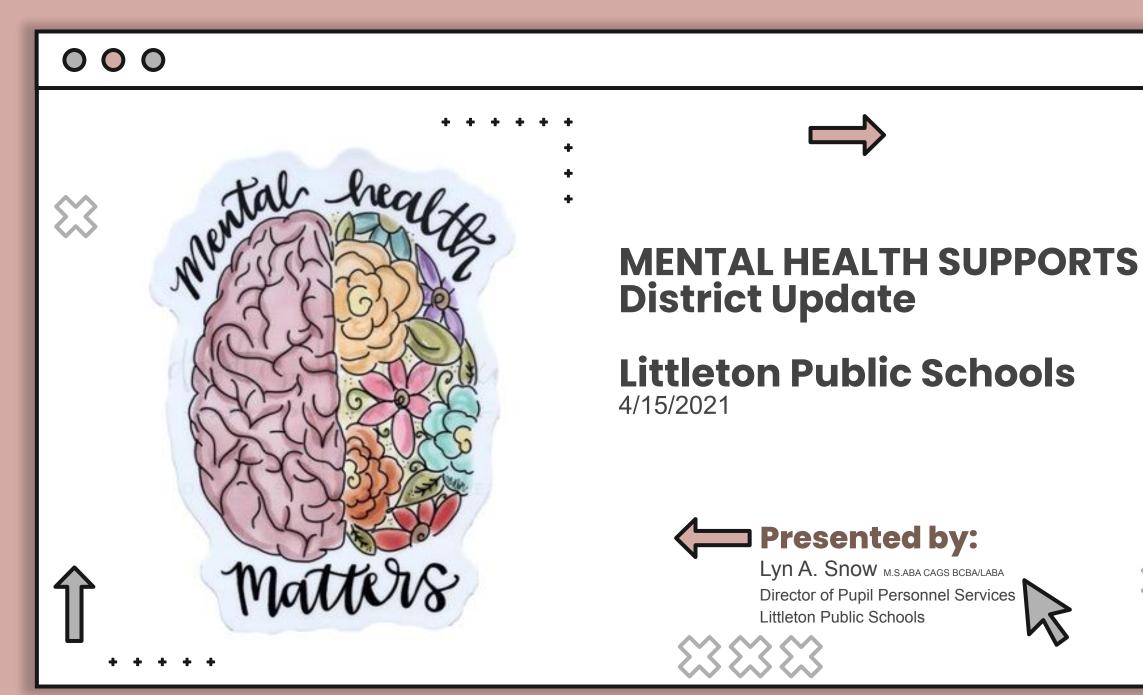
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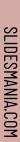


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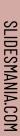


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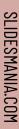


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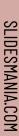


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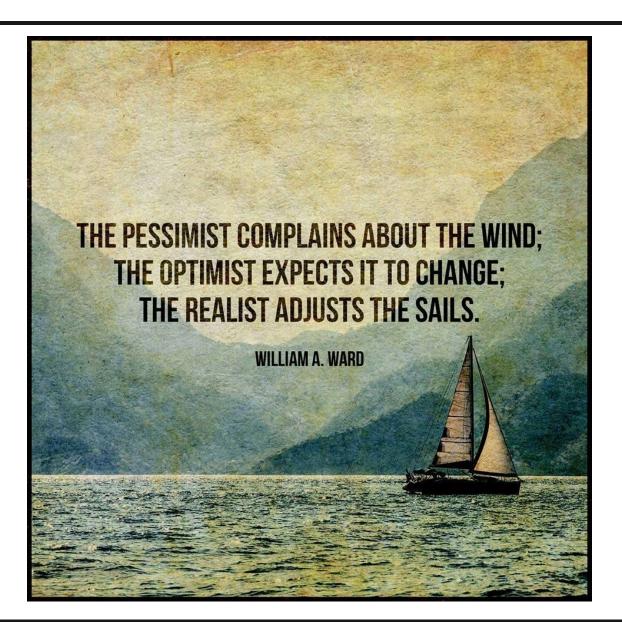














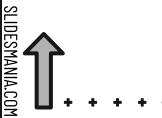


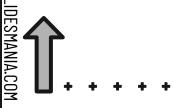




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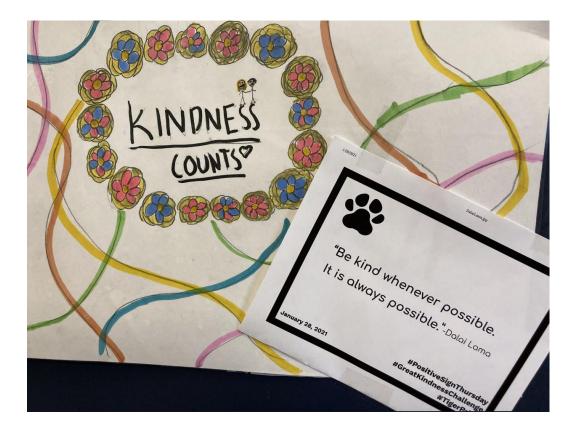
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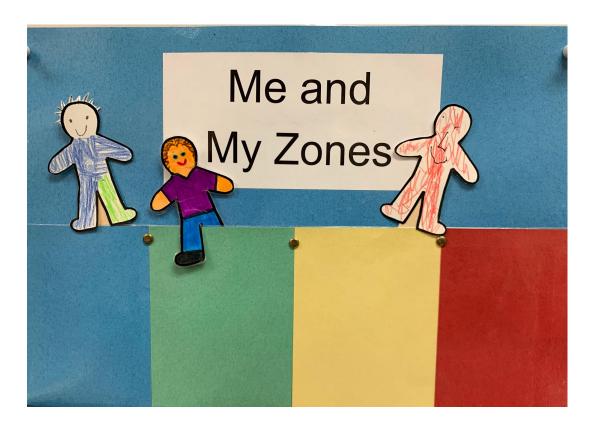


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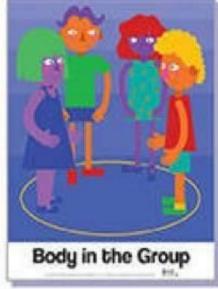


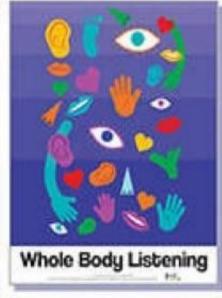
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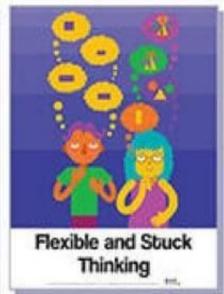


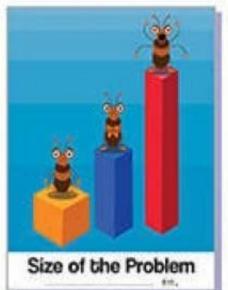


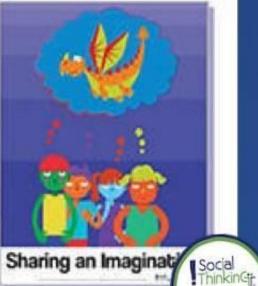








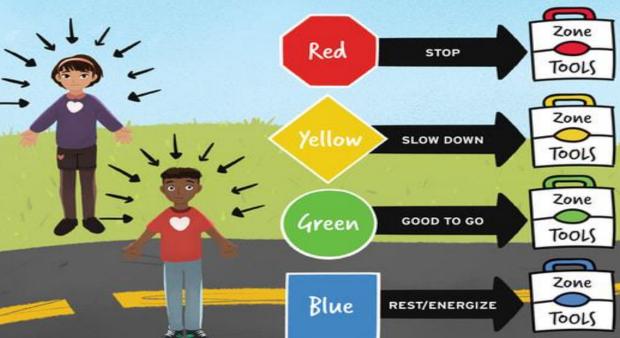


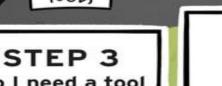


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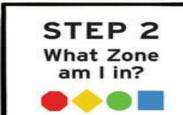
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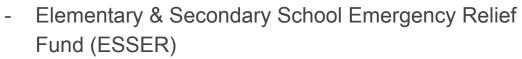


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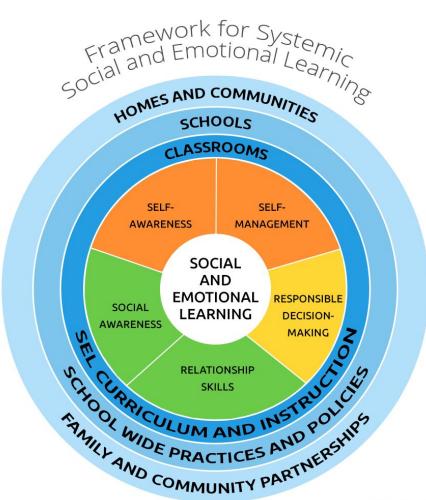




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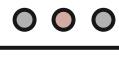
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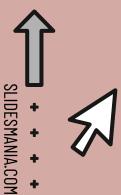
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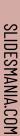


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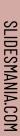


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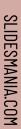


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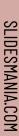


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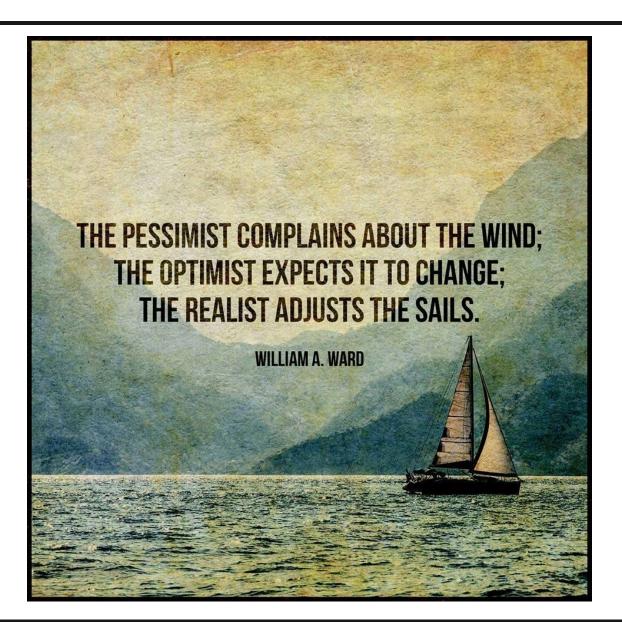














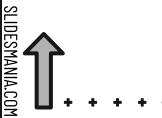


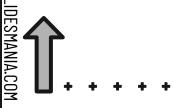




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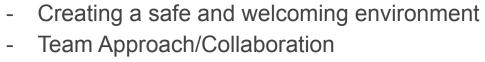












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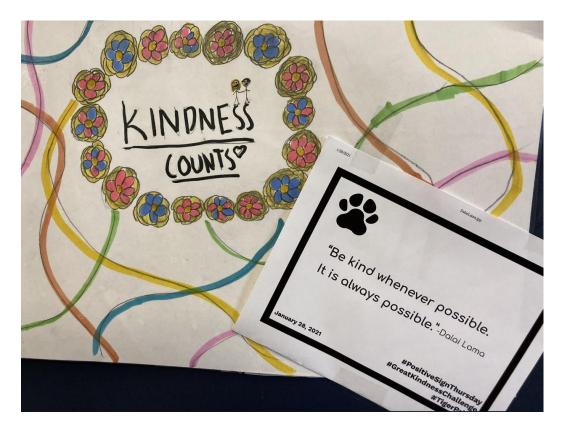




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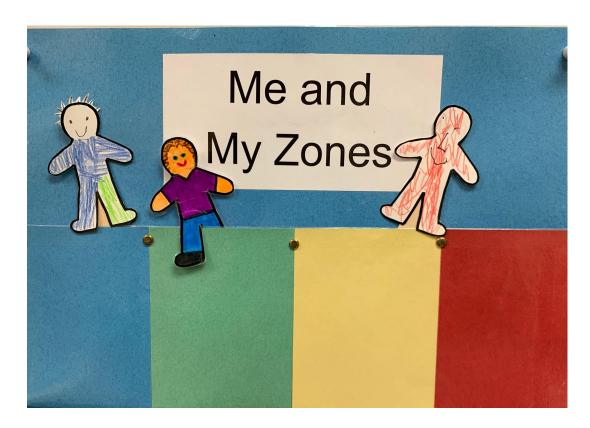


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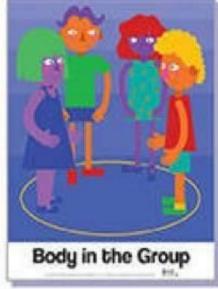


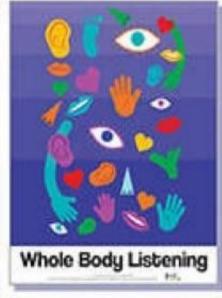
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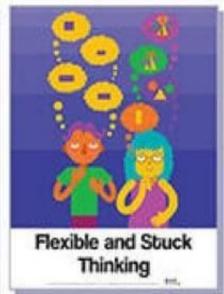


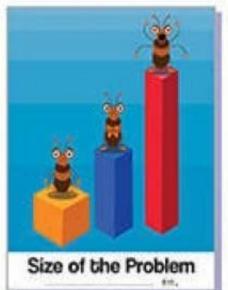


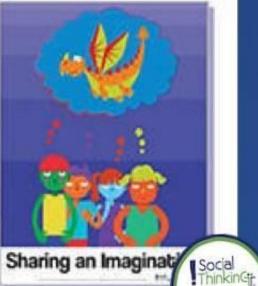








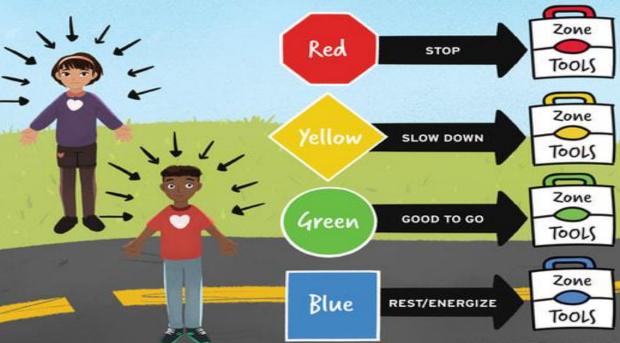


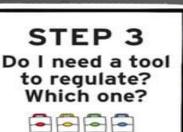


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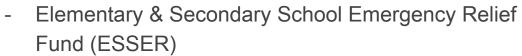


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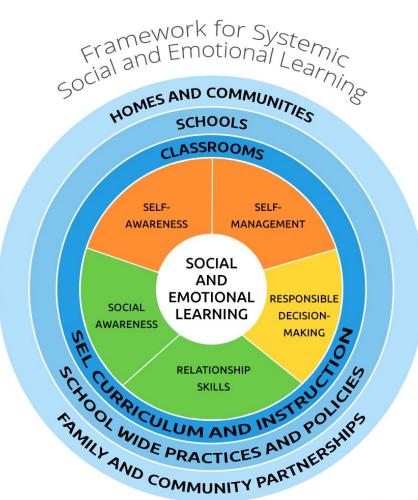




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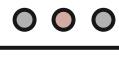
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