

**MSAD #53 School Board
Curriculum Report
March 1, 2010**

I. Curriculum Committee Meeting Dates:

Pk-8 Science – Thursday, February 25th from 3:00 – 5:00 p.m., Warsaw (Littlefield)
5-8 Health – Wednesday, March 17th from 3:30 – 5:30 p.m., Warsaw (Littlefield)
PK-4 Math – Thursday, March 4th from 12:30 – 3:00 p.m., Vickery (Library)
PK-4 ELA – Tuesday, March 2nd from 3:00 – 6:00 p.m., Louise McCannell’s house
5-8 Math – Wednesday, February 24th from 12:30 – 3:00 p.m., Warsaw (Cafeteria)
7-8 ELA – Tuesday, March 2nd from 12:45 – 2:45 p.m., Warsaw (Cafeteria)
5-6 ELA – Thursday, March 11th from 12:45 – 2:45 p.m., Warsaw (Cafeteria)

Drafts of the Science, Health, Math, and English/Language Arts curricula will be presented at the April Board Curriculum Meeting. Final revisions will be made by staff in April and May. We will request approval for these curriculum documents at the June Board meeting.

II. PIE Reminder

MSAD #53 and MCI will host a joint PK-12 Parent Information Event – PIE – on *Wednesday, March 24th from 6:00 – 8:00 p.m.* at Warsaw. Staff members will offer informational sessions for parents/guardians on a variety of topics, such as reading with your primary grade student, helping your child with the *Connected Math Program*, and the college admissions process. MCI Key Club members will provide babysitting, and Warsaw Student Council members will help serve refreshments – pie, of course! We hope that School Board members will be able to join us for this event.

III. Grant Opportunity –

DonorsChoose.org is a nonprofit organization that has established a Web site for connecting public school teachers in need of classroom materials with individual donors who want to help. At the Web site, teachers submit project requests for specific materials for their classrooms and students. The People’s United Community Foundation (affiliated with Merrill Bank) is offering matching funds to projects posted by Maine teachers on *DonorsChoose.org*. Several staff members are developing requests to post on the site. Please take a few minutes to look at the site and spread the word about this charitable opportunity.

V. E-Rate –

The funding cycle for 2010-2011 is underway. We have successfully submitted funding requests for our telephone costs (including cell phones). We are eligible for up to approx. \$9,500.00 in reimbursements or discounts from our telecommunications providers for 2010 – 2011.

Respectfully submitted,

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