

To: Marlinton Board of Education

From: Mrs. Anna Minor, Assistant Superintendent

Re: RttT Update

Date: June 19, 2014

This is the last RttT update since the grant is now in its completion. I believe it is extremely important for the board to see what major accomplishments have been supported through RttT funds. Below are either projects, initiatives, products purchased to enhance teaching and learning, and/or technology that was purchased utilizing RttT funds.

- Funds to support professional development for teacher pullout days to work on the New Learning Standards/curriculum mapping/assessment creation
- Purchase of Pinnacle Plus K-5 licenses and maintenance - grading system with the ability for our parents to see their child's grades at home through the internet
- Resident Educator Program training for our teachers to become mentors for all first year teachers
- Value-Added trainings for all teachers that receive grade level, state growth reports. We also in-service the building on the school level reports, too.
- Testing Werks and Gifted Werks software programs that house various data points on students so we can more easily analyze data trends by student, content, grade level, or building. Additionally, Testing Werks is the database for all RIMP plans for our struggling students. Gifted Werks is the database for all things gifted.
- Student Learning Objective trainings by grade level, content level or building level. RttT supported pullout days to train and develop some of the SLOs for the district.
- eTPES (The Electronic Teacher and Principal Evaluation System), OTES (The Ohio Teacher Evaluation System), and OPES (The Ohio Principal Evaluation System) trainings
- Grade Cam- a grading system to analyze and grade large amounts of students' multiple choice answers. The results of the grading can be exported into our grading systems. Teachers manually grade all short answer and extended response questions.
- KRA – Kindergarten Readiness Assessment; new assessment for in-coming kindergarten students; results reported to the state; seven areas are assessed including reading and math
- IIS- Instructional Improvement System- a warehouse for data, curriculum development, and assessment development. While there are advantages to the system, it is not user friendly nor are all the bugs worked out yet.

- Technology purchases- Laptops to support our elementary 2<sup>nd</sup> -5<sup>th</sup> technology integration. Laptops/iPads to support our middle school technology implementation plan.
- Teacher registration and hotel costs to attend eTech (State conference) to support professional development in technology.
- AIMSWEB- a national calibrated diagnostic instrument to help analyze student strengths and weaknesses in reading, writing and math. This was used with our sixth grade students.
- ALEKS- an online math program to help “close the gap” in math for middle school and elementary students.