

February 5, 2014 Principals' Meeting

Descriptions

Innovations For Learning (Philanthropic Partnership)—Barbara Gilbert, National Education Director for IFL, will be on hand to share how their non-profit organization has improved student literacy for more than 20 years by providing teacher-led blended learning services proven to substantially improve reading in underperforming elementary schools. She will share how IFL partners with foundations and major corporations to launch sustainable implementations in major districts, including Washington DC, Miami, Chicago, Broward and Duval. Each year they add several districts that desire to form a partnership with IFL and their funding resources, to bring our system to their schools. She will discuss how IFL connects the power of teachers, tutors, and technology.

IFL focuses on integrated digital-learning centers in K and 1st using mobile technology in the classroom and an online tutoring program supported by local and national corporations.

Leading Relevant Review—Dr. Knezek will present specific topics on leading the relevant review of STAAR data tailored for a variety of HISD audiences over two days, one of which is the Principal Meeting day. Dr. Knezek will discuss how to lead the analysis of HISD data with a select group of principals. Other presentations prior to the principal meeting will include members of TDS, Curriculum and Academics.

House Bill 5 Review The HB5 Implementation Team will provide a deeper look into HB5 Overview as they relate to curriculum, instruction, assessment, graduation requirements, and college readiness and review HISD plans on how to move forward.

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