

Elementary Recommendation

English Language Arts Materials

In an effort to review ELA materials aligned to the Common Core State Standards, an elementary team was formed that represented each school and each grade level in the district. Representatives included:

| Name | Grade | School |
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| Charissa Perry | Kindergarten | Redwood |
| Jennifer Mettler | Kindergarten | Lincoln |
| Alicia Timbs | 1 st Grade | Riverside |
| Abby Harden | 1 st Grade | Redwood |
| Emily Crocker | 2 nd Grade | Lincoln |
| Julie Lawless | 2 nd Grade | Allen Dale |
| Shelley Brandes | 3 rd Grade | Allen Dale |
| Susan Merritt | 3 rd Grade | Highland |
| Jeff Huet | 4 th Grade | Parkside |
| Christine Mooney | 4 th Grade | Riverside |
| Jacki Beck | 5 th Grade | Riverside |
| Stephanie Quick | 5 th Grade | Parkside |

After careful consideration and review of grade level teacher teams from across the district, the team recommended that our core reading program remain the 2008 version of Reading Street and that Step Up to Writing be our core writing program. It will be necessary to supplement our reading texts with the following resources in an effort to bring ourselves into better alignment with the Common Core State Standards.

1. ***Reading Street Sleuth*** for grades 1st – 5th grade: This non-fiction text includes a teacher’s manual and student readers tied to each week’s story within Reading Street.
2. Poetry and fable resources for teachers to pull from will be compiled for the purpose of connecting text as outlined in the standards.