**HSHS SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT TEAM**

**Meeting Agenda**

**Date:** March 9th, 2015  
**Time:** 2:40-3:30pm  
**Duration:** 50 minutes  
**Location:** room 1634

**Purposes:**
1. Student Services  
2. AP/Honors

**Roles:**
- **Facilitator:** Ms. Solender  
- **Timekeeper:** Ms. Stauderman  
- **Recorder:** Ms. Mellette

### Agenda

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| Student Services: KP2 Promotion and Graduation | Morrison | 2:41-2:45 | 10 mid-year 9th promotions  
25 promotions overall  
Counselors are holding meetings with parents  
Registration is being held during lunch all week  
*Do we contact middle schools to give them information about registration? YES  
*The window for registration closes on this Friday. |
| Advanced Placement/Honors participation: KP2 | Vinson | 2:45-3:17 | 2 handouts given – AP Capstone Program Overview & AP Five Year School Score Summary  
AP seminar starts in Fall 2015  
Offered to 10th grade students  
Credits: (1 English credit/1 elective credit)  
*How can we communicate that you are able to complete this program as well as other programs i.e. art?  
Suggestion: Print something out that shows the layout of the high school career pathway by year  
*Has anyone talked to college admissions to see what impact Capstone has on admission to college?  
- This is a big push from College Board. It has different affects on various schools (i.e. earn 2 credits). This will put students at an advantage – College Board ‘s’version of IB  
*Will classes be capped at a certain number? How wil it
- Classes will be capped at 25 (expecting less than 100)
- There is no exam?
- There is an AP exam like with other AP courses
- It is not content-driven.
- 6 schools in Wake County will implement capstone next year
- Some things will be uniform across all 6 schools
- How will English I teachers impact the process?
- English I teachers may be called to help with the selection of students for Capstone. Who would you recommend?
- How rigorous are these classes, and how do you recommend students for this program without it being over their heads?
- Research class consists of a project. Any skills that they learn through the classes should transfer across curriculums.
- Students choose a topic that they will be interested in.
- Capstone diploma - 4 APs with a 3 or better
- Downside – 2 teachers who will have a normal class of 30, and alternate 30 students roughly 110 students
- Will the students have met the English 10 requirements?
- Is UNCW the only NC school who accepts Capstone?
  - Mrs. Vinson will ask and find out.

**Concerns:**
- Staff absences and student suspensions
- Daily email/Moving
- Benchmarks back one week

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| *Daily email with data: Is it possible to do anything like that?*
  - No. We will email the teachers who are impacted. Those who wrote him/her up and those who teach him/her.
  - Can we push benchmarks back a week, for next year (2015-2016)?
  - It will be looked at before the workdays next fall.
  - Will there be senior exemptions for M-W of Spring Break?
  - Will not count against for exam exemptions.
  - Spring Break – any guidance in how to handle those days.
  - It depends. If you have enough time to “spare” …
  - If you are moving with content then I would suggest that you put it out there via your classroom website.
  - Something will be put together for teachers.
  - Mr. Pittman emphasized the importance of disconnecting during the Spring Break.
  - End of 3rd quarter is not moving.
  - Can the coverage plan for the Spring Break days be spread amongst the disciplines?
  - We can try to support that. |

**Next meeting:** April 13th, 2015

**Attendance:** Brown, Elliot, Stauderman, Eagle, Occhipinti, Morrison, Felker, Anderson, Vinson, Anderson, Southwell, Mellette, Rasey, Solender, N. Dozier, Floyd, Day, Genua, Folger, Pittman, Hill, Ethridge, Trudell, Gaudet, Beichner, Leaven