

**Superintendent's Report
Rye School Board Meeting
Wednesday, February 15, 2023
5:30 PM**



SAU Sensation

We have published the fifth edition of our SAU 50 newsletter. You can find it [here](#).

2023-2024 Proposed Calendar

We are bringing forward a proposed draft calendar for 2023-2024. It is linked [here](#). The only changes since you last saw this involve moving a teacher PD day from May to October and eliminating the October ER day.

Professional Growth Committee (PGC)

The Professional Growth Committee (Formerly PLAC) has been meeting throughout this year to establish a vision for professional development in SAU 50. The PGC is in the process of revising the SAU 50 Plan for Effective Teaching and recently released a survey to build a bank of our own professional expertise among staff. The committee will use this information to plan for future professional development, both in terms of content and structure. The SAU 50 School Board rep on this committee is Rebecca Audet and Rye is represented by Amanda Goss and Amy Reynolds.



Dress Code Policy

In your drive you have a number of documents related to the proposed JICA policy. The actual proposed policy is titled Student Dress and Grooming Policy. In addition, there is a document titled Basic Dress Code, which is a draft of what would live in the handbook. These documents you have seen for first reading. We chose to leave the Basic Dress Code intact for now, rather than move some language into the policy for reasons we can explain. You also have the current policy for the other districts as well as the language that currently is in the Greenland Central School handbook.

8th-9th Transition Meeting

I was pleased to attend the 8th-9th transition meeting Kelli helped arrange at PHS. Anne Gilbert was there with the 8th Grade teachers and it was a very productive meeting. Everyone walked away wanting to deepen connections across all sending schools with PHS, and engage in meaningful curriculum work.

Upcoming Events

- Secondary Advisory/ AREA Meeting - Tuesday, February 21, 2023, at 5:00 p.m. at Portsmouth High School
- SAU 50 Joint Board Meeting- March 22, 2023 at 6:30 p.m. at Greenland Central School
- Rye School Board Meeting - March 23, 2023, at 5:30 p.m. at Rye Junior High School

SAU 50 Administrator Report

Kelli R. Killen
Assistant Superintendent

February 2023

Accomplishments and Successes

Grade Level/Content Area PLC's

- Round 2 is progressing.

Human Resources

- We have begun the transition to establishing a Human Resources Department.
- **Outline of Responsibilities and Needs**
- Hiring and Onboarding Process/Procedures are being revised and updated for best practices and legal requirements.
- Administration and staff will be trained as needed.
- Obtained certification for Human Resource Specialist for K-12 Administrators from Michigan State University.

Major Initiatives (Possible Future Budget Implications)

- MTSS—will begin to meet with MHT staff and Stacey Kirby to outline the process for both academics and behavior.

Other

- Serving on the state's Professional Standards Board Sub-Committee for the revision of ED. 513 Local Professional Development Master Plan which sets regulations for how the professional development needed for educational licensure is done.

- Have monthly meetings with Patricia Haynes , Assistant Superintendent SAU52, and Shelagh St. Laurent , Curriculum Coordinator for PHS.
 - Freshmen teachers and 8th grade teachers met on Feb. 8 with the following agenda:
 - Overview of our Course Registration process/Course Catalog, with myself and our guidance team with opportunities for questions/clarity and feedback
 - 8th grade teachers could spend some time observing classes during 4th block
 - Shared lunch with 8th and 9th grade teachers
 - Facilitated/guided conversation to continue the work to support the transition to 9th grade for the afternoon