



Superintendent's Report for DEC Lead, Learn and Grow



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Other:

- Speech Language Pathologists (SLPs) started an online support group for parents of students who use augmentative and alternative communication (AAC). An example of AAC is the Picture Exchange Communication System (PECS) in which the child uses a picture board to help communicate. The plan is to run the group every two months. The first meeting was on November 16 and seven families participated. There are twenty registered now. This initiative is led by our SLP II, Monica Bonnevie.
- We are currently in negotiations with internationally renowned assessment guru, Rick Wormelli, to assist the district with a long-term change management plan to improve assessment practices in K-12 classes with a specific focus on middle and high school.
- Throughout December, the curriculum team worked with K-12 administrators at level administrator meetings to support their leadership of implementation of the Holistic Curriculum. Highlights include an overview of the Holistic Curriculum and its advantages with high school principals and a co-construction of walk-through documents to observe and assess implementation of the Holistic Curriculum at the K-8 level.

ASD-S will create the most engaging, equitable and high achieving learning environments for all.