# CURRICULUM COUNCIL

June 14th, 2023 3:00 p.m. VHS Learning Commons

## ITINERARY

1. Dimensions K - Mathematics Update

2. LETRS Cohort Updates & Fundations PD Plan for 2023-24

3. G&T Programming Feedback4. Good of the Order

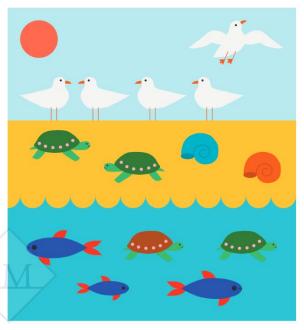
### DIMENSIONS K - MATHEMATICS UPDATE

- 5 trainings with Bill
  Jackson (2 in 2021-22, 3 in 2022-23)
- K focus in Math is counting and setting the stage for addition and subtraction
- K teachers have been working on games and centers
- Remaining question is how to best assess students

**Lesson 2** Putting Numbers Together — Part 2



Look and talk. How many altogether?



Objective: Count and model two sets for each item to find how many altogether.

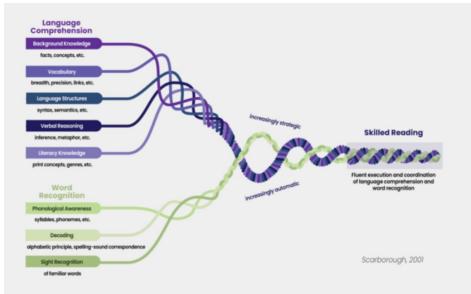
#### LETRS COHORT UPDATES & FUNDATIONS PD PLAN FOR 23-24

Lexia

(Language Essentials for Teachers of Reading and Spelling) is a comprehensive professional learning designed to provide early childhood and elementary educators with deep knowledge to be literacy and language experts in the foundations of reading development. Created by Dr. Louisa Moats and leaders in the field of literacy, Lexia's LETRS supports teachers in the teaching of phonological awareness, phonics, fluency, vocabulary, comprehension, and written language.



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#### The Two Broad Categories of Literacy Competencies

**LETRS Volume 1** focuses on the Word Recognition strands of Scarborough's Reading Rope model: phonology, basic and advanced phonics, and screening educational and diagnostic assessment.

**LETRS Volume 2** focuses on on the Language Comprehension strands of Scarborough's Reading Rope model: vocabulary, language and reading, comprehension, and writing.

#### CONGRATULATIONS!

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A Special THANK YOU to Claire Duffy and Heather Andersen for their time, knowledge, and commitment!

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In order to support students in the primary grades, we will be training our kindergarten, first, and second grade teachers in Wilson's Fundations program next fall (September 27th - 29th). Teachers who have completed LETRS training and those who have been certified in Orton-Gillingham Multisensory Reading instruction will learn to apply their knowledge to the Fundations program. Our new teachers will be able to navigate Fundations resources to support classroom instruction.

Our ultimate goal is to train ALL elementary teachers in both LETRS and Fundations over the next three years.

### G&T PROGRAMMING FEEDBACK

Hiring Update

- Over 30 teachers applied!
- Two rounds of interviews
- We have joined the G&T Steering Committee for Essex county.
- We have hired a teacher -Mrs. Julia Zambrano
- She will be writing curriculum this summer ...

Seeking Feedback

- What are your thoughts?
  - Curriculum
  - Programming
  - Activities

# GOOD OF THE ORDER

#### Have a good summer!