



DISTRICT IMPLEMENTATION TEAM UPDATE

SEPTEMBER 2025

WHAT IS THE DIT?

The DIT is a group of Hamilton staff from a variety of levels and roles. We meet monthly to discuss ways to improve our district in the areas Academics and Behavior across multiple Tiers of Support.

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NEXT MEETING:
10/1/2025

WHO IS ON THE DIT

- Dr. Bradford Lusk- Superintendent
- Laura Zeinstra- Director of Teaching and Learning
- Mat Rehkopf- Director of Career, College, and Innovative Programs
- Sara McIntyre- Director of Student Services
- Elizabeth Brandonisio- MTSS Coordinator
- James Grooters- Coordinator of Student Services
- Mary Wilkinson- Virtual School Principal
- Liz Morehouse- Middle School Principal
- Sean Dieters- Middle School Assistant Principal
- Mitch Bosch- High School Principal
- David Sheppard- High School Assistant Principal
- Holly Goodman- High School Counselor
- Abby Bramlett- High School Teacher
- Abby Perdok- Middle School Teacher
- Bill Mousel- Middle School Teacher
- Sarah Zwuyghuizen- Middle School/ Virtual Counselor
- Jared Randall- Bentheim Principal
- Dean Kramer- Hamilton Elementary Principal
- Kari Huckaby- Blue Star Principal
- Anna Cason- Elementary Positive Behavior Supports Coordinator
- Jill Jipping- Elementary Teacher
- Jill Sloothaak- Elementary Teacher
- Melinda Bronkhorst- Elementary Teacher
- Lilianna Guerra- School Psychologist



CELEBRATIONS

- High School
 - Focus on increasing Hawkeye Talons
 - PD around Assessment
 - New Staff
- Middle School
 - iReady Math Pilot for 6-8
 - Summer and start of school PD was positive, staff felt ready for the new year, and training is being put into practice
 - Shared the Grading Pathway Document at PD
- Elementary Schools
 - Bentheim
 - New playground, furniture, tech, pipes, ceilings
 - New playground expectations going well
 - Blue Star
 - Theme for the year is "Grow Together"
 - Building upgrades
 - Hamilton El
 - Building upgrades, new playground expectation videos
 - Increased size of testing team
 - New staff members running the Hawkeye Store
- Hamilton Virtual
 - Increased Enrollment
 - Completing Fall Testing
 - Refining the School Leadership Team

DIT ACCOMPLISHMENTS

- We took some time to celebrate work that was accomplished as a result of barriers brought to the DIT last year. This includes...
 - Grading Pathway and Grade Placement Guidance Documents
 - Professional Development (Restorative Practices, Para Boot camp, Special Education)
 - K-2 Chromebooks
 - Revised K-4 Calendar
 - Grammar Curriculum Pilot in 4th grade
 - New Professional Development Survey and Climate Survey

BARRIERS

- Math MTSS and Differentiation
 - *Action Plan*: exploring options for math MTSS through coaching from the ISD and piloting a “Math Interventionist”
 - Connecting with other i-Ready Math districts about their math MTSS

SUBCOMMITTEE UPDATES

- We used this meeting to re-establish norms and expectations for our subcommittees moving forward.
- Ongoing subcommittees that will meet in the 25-26 school year include
 - Grading (MS and HS)
 - Character Ed (Elementary)
 - Intensifying Interventions (Early EI)

