

Wynford Board of Education

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Dear Wynford Elementary Parents and Guardians:

The state has mandated that Ohio's schools begin to have 18 hours of dyslexia training for elementary staff. In reality, this training and the required teacher evaluation of it will take more than 18 hours.

In order to move to the next level, we have collaborated to determine what we think best fits our students' needs, teachers' opportunities, funding, and time. Our elementary principals, literacy specialist, and association members all worked collectively with me to come up with the best option for the district and our students. We feel that the training would be best to do during this current school year in professional development inservice days for Pre-K through 5 teachers at the same time instead of over a longer and more disruptive time span. We feel that having the opportunity with Mrs. Mills, our literacy specialist from the NCOESC, in a captive audience vs. online training and the chance to ask questions and process the information as well as have coaching from our literacy specialist is a much stronger game plan to put our teachers in the best position for success working with our elementary students.

Based upon this state mandated training and Wynford's current needs and position, our recommendation to the Wynford Local Schools Board of Education at the November Board Meeting will be to alter 5 instructional days in the 2022-2023 school calendar as follows for Wynford Elementary School only.

Full Professional Development Days with no students for Wynford Elementary only on:
Tuesday, December 20, 2022
Friday, January 13, 2023
Thursday, February 16, 2023

2 Hour Delays for Professional Development for Wynford Elementary only on:
Wednesday, March 15, 2023
Thursday, May 4, 2023

As a district, we wanted to give you notice prior to the Board of Education Meeting that our district may alter our instructional calendar for the elementary students only this year to provide the required dyslexia training to our staff.

Sincerely,



Forrest Trisler
Superintendent