**Aug 2013 Checklist for Curriculum Development**

Curriculum development is an on-going process. This list provides a description of the elements of instruction and allows for review of each course.

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|  | Details | How complete? / Comments |
| **CPP Matrix**   * complete for each course | See Matrix review for details | Matrix is complete  \*unit planners and resource folders need fleshing out |
| **Assessments**   * common summative assessment for each unit * assessments aligned with standards   unit objectives  State, local external exams   * common scoring guide created for each common assessment | \*Common means identical  \*How does the assessment measure student performance against unit objectives and standards? How does it prepare students for end-of-year assessment?  \*Scoring guide should include details—acceptable answers, partial credit, severity of wrong answers and errors, etc. | Summative assessments are common, aligned with standards and objectives  Common scoring (IB assessments and IB rubrics)  Double check to be sure that summative assessments are aligned with overall course objectives  Make sure that summative assessments use the same grading criteria (and discuss/determine what that will be/is) |
| **Formative assessment**   * minimum of 1 common formative activity/assessment for each unit * each formative assessment aligns with the summative assessment for the unit | \*Formative assessment provides students with feedback so they may improve performance  \*Formative assessment is ungraded  \*How does the formative prepare students for the summative assessment? | Design formative assessments which offer feedback (student-led discussion… graded? Ungraded?) as opposed to being graded  Ensure that formative assessments deal with the application of the skill necessary for the summative assessment. |
| **Resources**   * create a “bank” of resources for each unit * activities must be aligned with the required assessments (exams, MYP tasks, etc.). | \*Determine how to “share”—discuss whether they need to be done simultaneously, where they are located, “rules” for modifying, sharing of materials | Create a common bank of resources and discuss the “rules” for sharing those resources.  Student-available/parent-available  Only-for teacher availability  Incorporate Learning Protocols: <http://cppcurriculum.weebly.com> |
| **Grading**   * Are MP grades for the course comprised of the same elements no matter who the teacher is? * How well do MP grades reflect student achievement on external exams? | \*Discuss and determine the most important elements that should be included in the student's MP average?  \*How well does the student’s MP average predict end-of-year outcomes on external exams?  \*How can MP average as predictor/indicator of achievement be improved? | Discuss marking period grades—how is a student’s average comprised? What components are reflected?  Agree on percentages for each element of instruction (start with…50% tests, 50% classwork—what should be weighted heavier?) |
| **Unit Plans** |  | Snazzy electronic version is on its way! Unit Plan creation/revision will continue when new planner is available |
| Revision of matrices/common assessments/resources/units |  | This is where our eventual “To Do” list will reside—consider that the matrix and unit planners are fluid documents; once the year is complete you can individually reflect (or reflect together) and revise. |