

# Vashon Island School District Curriculum Update 2006-07

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## Curriculum Links

[www.vashonsd.org/curriculum](http://www.vashonsd.org/curriculum)

Arts:

[http://vashonsd.org/index.php?/curriculum/pages/vashon\\_island\\_school\\_district/](http://vashonsd.org/index.php?/curriculum/pages/vashon_island_school_district/)

Health:

[http://vashonsd.org/curriculum/index.php?/curriculum/pages/vashon\\_island\\_school\\_district\\_health\\_and\\_fitness\\_curriculum/](http://vashonsd.org/curriculum/index.php?/curriculum/pages/vashon_island_school_district_health_and_fitness_curriculum/)

Health and Fitness Resources for Staff:

[http://vashonsd.org/curriculum/index.php?/curriculum/pages/health\\_and\\_fitness\\_resources\\_for\\_staff/](http://vashonsd.org/curriculum/index.php?/curriculum/pages/health_and_fitness_resources_for_staff/)

Reading Lists for McMurray Middle School and Vashon Island High School:

[http://vashonsd.org/curriculum/index.php?/curriculum/pages/vashon\\_island\\_school\\_district\\_reading\\_curriculum/](http://vashonsd.org/curriculum/index.php?/curriculum/pages/vashon_island_school_district_reading_curriculum/)

Social Studies Resources for Staff:

[http://vashonsd.org/curriculum/index.php?/curriculum/pages/social\\_studies\\_resources\\_for\\_staff/](http://vashonsd.org/curriculum/index.php?/curriculum/pages/social_studies_resources_for_staff/)

The VISD Writing Guide is available at

[http://vashonsd.org/curriculum/index.php?/curriculum/pages/writing\\_curriculum/](http://vashonsd.org/curriculum/index.php?/curriculum/pages/writing_curriculum/)

The VISD Mathematics Guide is available at

[http://vashonsd.org/curriculum/index.php?/curriculum/pages/mathematics\\_curriculum/](http://vashonsd.org/curriculum/index.php?/curriculum/pages/mathematics_curriculum/)

The VISD Draft Reading Guide is available at

[http://vashonsd.org/curriculum/docs/VISD\\_Reading\\_Guide.pdf](http://vashonsd.org/curriculum/docs/VISD_Reading_Guide.pdf)

The VHS Draft Science Guide is available at:

[http://vashonsd.org/curriculum/index.php?/curriculum/pages/vashon\\_island\\_school\\_district\\_science\\_curriculum/](http://vashonsd.org/curriculum/index.php?/curriculum/pages/vashon_island_school_district_science_curriculum/)

State Standards and Assessment:

<http://vashonsd.org/curriculum/index.php?/curriculum/pages/osp/>

## Instructional Materials

*Expenditures:*

PTSA VHS Science Curriculum Grant \$16,500.00

Glencoe Biology Student Textbooks and Teacher Resources, 2007:

14,101.06

*Materials Matrix:*

A matrix of adopted instructional materials for general education is available at [http://vashonsd.org/teacherweb/spencer/files/Instructional\\_Materials\\_Matrix.pdf](http://vashonsd.org/teacherweb/spencer/files/Instructional_Materials_Matrix.pdf)

An updated draft of the instructional matrix for special services is available at [http://vashonsd.org/teacherweb/spencer/files/Instructional\\_Materials\\_Matrix\\_Special\\_Services.pdf](http://vashonsd.org/teacherweb/spencer/files/Instructional_Materials_Matrix_Special_Services.pdf)

*New Grants:*

PTSA VHS Biotechnology \$1,214.00

PTSA VHS Physical Geology \$1,170.00

PTSA VHS Graphing Calculator \$982.00

PTSA CES Mathematics Materials \$1,134.00

Instructional Materials Fundraising

*Update on COSMEO—Discovery Learning, Learning Adds Up:* We have one parent/student subscriber for our district to date—the subscription is in the trial membership period. Anyway, we probably won't see any revenue from this fundraiser given the apparent lack of interest at this point in time.

Professional Development

*Additional Professional Organization Links:*

Two additional professional organization links have been added to the list on the curriculum Web site (thank you to Michelle Mann for forwarding the links to me):

American School Counselor Association: [www.schoolcounselor.org](http://www.schoolcounselor.org)

Washington School Counselor Association: [www.wa-schoolcounselor.org](http://www.wa-schoolcounselor.org)

For a list of professional organizations and their links go to [http://vashonsd.org/curriculum/index.php?/curriculum/pages/professional\\_organizations/](http://vashonsd.org/curriculum/index.php?/curriculum/pages/professional_organizations/)

*Expenditures:*

Understanding and Working with “Mean Girls”	129.00
ASIST—Applied Suicide Intervention Skills Training	200.00
IDEA Conference	400.00
Helping Students Develop Critical Thinking and Reading Skills through Socratic Seminars	700.00

Secondary Reading Intervention

225.00

*In-district offerings:*

Professional Book Club, Mondays, CES, 3:30 (open to all), up to 30 clock hours available

Mentor/Mentee Program (TAP) met on January 24<sup>th</sup>—Dr. Walker and I covered topics regarding communication: e-mail etiquette, telephone messages, utilizing Web resources, written communications, confidentiality and technology. The next meeting takes place on Wednesday, April 4<sup>th</sup>, 3:15 pm at Chautauqua.

*Out of district trainings:*

If you attend an out of district training sponsored by your school or the district, please let me know. We track the types of professional development activities in a yearly report for the school board. Also, please remember to complete the evaluation form as it helps us with our planning [www.vashonsd.org/curriculum/docs/Feedback\\_Form\\_Professional\\_Development.pdf](http://www.vashonsd.org/curriculum/docs/Feedback_Form_Professional_Development.pdf)

*Paperwork:*

Salary Schedule Growth Step Form (clock hour/credit pre-approval):  
[www.vashonsd.org/curriculum/docs/Clock\\_hour\\_form.pdf](http://www.vashonsd.org/curriculum/docs/Clock_hour_form.pdf)

*Paraeducators Resource:*

[www.paraeducator.com](http://www.paraeducator.com)

Program/School Improvement Plans

The 2006-07 P/SIPs Report is available at  
[www.vashonsd.org/curriculum/index.php?/curriculum/pages/program\\_and\\_school\\_improvement\\_plans\\_for\\_2006\\_07/](http://www.vashonsd.org/curriculum/index.php?/curriculum/pages/program_and_school_improvement_plans_for_2006_07/)

The 2005-06 P/SIPs Report (narrative report) and data file is available at  
[www.vashonsd.org/curriculum/index.php?/curriculum/pages/school\\_improvement\\_plans/](http://www.vashonsd.org/curriculum/index.php?/curriculum/pages/school_improvement_plans/)

Science and Social Studies Curriculum Work

The building principals and I will be providing details by mid-February regarding the plan for curriculum work in science and social studies. The science work will be supported by the Boeing Science Grant and the social studies work will be supported by the OSPI Social Studies Grant.