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MEMORANDUM

DATE: JULY 30, 2014

TO: MATHEMATICS TEACHERS

FROM: MELISSA LINTON Making Linton

RE: Curriculum Sequence Guides and Benchmark Assessments for K-8 Mathematics

Attached are revised sequence and pacing guides for K-8 Mathematics and K-5 Quarterly District Benchmark Assessments. Additionally, District Benchmark Assessments Grade 7, semesters 1 and 2, and Grade 6, semester 1 are available. During the fall, committees will continue the development of District Benchmark and End of Course Assessments.

After reviewing several internal and external resources, such as the District-wide Priority Standard Survey and DEED suggested resources, the Priority Standards Committee carefully selected a subset of the Alaska Mathematics standards with the purpose of developing District Benchmark Assessments. These Priority Standards appear in YELLOW. District Benchmark Assessments will, in almost all cases, assess only the selected priority standards. ALL standards will be assessed throughout the year, but for the purpose of District Benchmark Assessments, only the yellow standards will be automatically uploaded in PowerSchool.

The K-5 Benchmark Assessments are created from existing assessments (benchmark and chapter tests) from the MyMath *eAssessment* Tool. The MyMath District Benchmark Assessments for grades K-5 can be administered with paper/pencil or electronically. Likewise, grades 6-7 assessments were created from question banks within the Holt McDougal Common Core Mathematics Program and can also be administered in either form.

Links to these revised pacing guides and assessments can be found on the KPBSD Curriculum Page and the KPBSD Instructional Blog.