

Agawam Public Schools
Professional Development Year End Summary

To: School Committee Members

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Subject: **2007 - 2008 year-end Professional Development Report**

The list below is a summary of the professional development submitted for approval during the 2007 - 2008 school year:

School breakdown:

- *Senior high school submitted 332 requests*
- *Junior high school submitted 188 requests*
- *Middle school submitted 67 requests*
- *Grades K - 4 submitted 315 requests*
- *Early Childhood submitted 16 requests*
- *SPED submitted 206 requests*
- *Teacher Assistants submitted 68 requests*
- *Secretaries submitted 17 requests*
- *Administration submitted 110 requests*
- School Committee members have attended many various workshops throughout the year

- Total days requested for the year were **1319**. This number involves multiple days **that count as one request**.

Yearly Expenditure:

To date, **\$157,644.96** has been approved from the Professional Development account. Grants totaling **\$32,185.11** were approved as follows:

Included in the Professional Development amount are the cost of substitute teachers (\$45,360.00), Contracted Services (\$44,265.00), and contractual tuition reimbursement (\$27,145.00).

Total Approved Expenditures:

• Professional Development**	\$ 157,644.96
• Grants	\$ 32,185.11
Grand Total	\$ 189,830.07

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College Credit Applications

Sixty-two staff members from all grade levels applied for college graduate level courses for masters and masters plus degrees for the fall, spring, and summer of 2007 - 2008 school year.

Highlighted Professional Development Opportunities Offered 2007 - 2008:

- Administrative Retreat Workshop
- Crossing Guard Orientation
- Cafeteria Monitors
- Teacher Orientation
- Accreditation Workshops
- Reading Comprehension and Reading Conference
- MCAS Study Group - ELA
- T3 International Conference
- Differentiated Instruction in Math
- MathWest Workshop
- Effective Paraprofessionals in Inclusion Classrooms
- Restraint Training
- Information Technology Literacy Skills and Habits
- MESPA Assessment for Learning
- Mentor Training
- Discipline and Violence K - 12
- NE Regional Conference for Social Studies
- Literacy: Building a Foundation Grades 3 & 4 - Guided Reading
- Literacy: Building a Foundation Grades 3 & 4 - DRA
- Web Page Design Training
- Signs of Suicide Program Training
- Sheltered Content Instruction for ELL in Elementary Classroom
- MCAS/Student w/Disabilities
- Enhancing Education through Technology
- CPR Recertification
- Technology Conferences
- Database Training

Study groups were also held by departments to review curriculum and frameworks.