

## REVISITING THE OHIO IMPROVEMENT PROCESS

The district team charged with the responsibility of developing and implementing the Ohio Improvement Process (OIP) in the Adams County/Ohio Valley School District continues to work and move forward with this project. We are now well into our sixth month of meetings to develop this plan. It is important to note that this document will never be 100% complete. It will always be a “working and living” plan that can be updated or revised as needed. I would also like to remind you that our District Leadership Team (DLT) is made up of language arts and math teachers, intervention specialists, building principals, and various central office administrators. It is our DLT members who have been charged with the responsibility of developing the District OIP Plan. Having provided the above information, it is time to share our OIP Plan with you.

The District Ohio Improvement Process plan is designed to assist the District (DLT) and Building (BLT) Leadership Teams in making informed decisions, based on what their data tell them. The OIP team has used a collaborative, collegial process which has produced one focused plan that aligns improvement efforts. As a result of the plan, significant changes in student performance and instructional practice are expected. The AC/OVSD’s OIP plan is comprised of three goals—Reading, Math and Attendance. The Reading and Math goals are the following: By the end of the 2011-2012 school year, the number of K-12 students in each cohort who have not passed the math (reading) Short Cycle Assessments (K-2) Ohio Achievement Test (3-8) and Ohio Graduation Test (10-12) will be reduced by at least 10% each school year with an emphasis on students with disabilities. The Attendance goal states that by the end of the 2011-2012 school

year, the district will increase the percentage of student attendance by at least .333% each school year, with an emphasis on students with disabilities. Each goal includes two strategies, two implementation indicators as well as a number of related action steps. After the Board of Education adopts the District OIP plan, each of the district elementary and high schools will add their own building-level action steps.

Now that I have shared our District OIP with you, we need to hear from you if you have questions or concerns about the plan. You may call or E-mail Dee Ann Davis, Rodney Wallace, or myself from now until May 15th. Though this is all new to us as well, we will certainly try to answer any questions that you might have. The draft OIP Plan will also be put on the district website ([www.ovsd.us](http://www.ovsd.us)) as a new link. This should give you easier and more frequent access to this information.

### HIGH SCHOOL PRESENTATIONS

You may be interested to know that all of our high schools are planning to present a production/play for the public. I very much appreciate these efforts as I feel that the Arts are an important part of a well-rounded educational opportunity for our students.

You may attend any of the following:

- “Cinderella” on April 24th, 25th, and May 1st, 2nd – West Union High School
- “Annie” on May 1st, 2nd, and 3rd – Peebles High School
- “The Loathsome Lady” and “Seven Wives for Dracula” on May 22nd (one performance only) – North Adams High School

Please direct your questions regarding tickets and performance times to the respective school offices for further information. And, let's support the Arts in our schools.

Charles P. Kimble

Superintendent