

Curriculum Adoptions School Committee Presentation

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Introduction of Math Pilot Programs

1. enVision:

- Piloted this program for Grade K-8.
- enVision Grade K-5 is redesigned and updated (called enVision 2020)

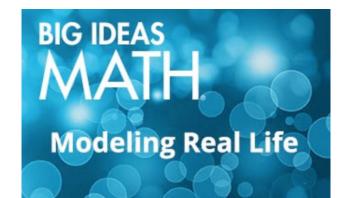


New **enVision** Mathematics © 2020 is reimagined and redesigned for Grades K-5.

2. Big Ideas Math:

- Piloted this program from Grade K 11.
- Program of Grade K-5 is newly developed.

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Evaluation of the Pilot Program

1. Data Collection:

We conducted teacher surveys, focus groups, classroom learning walks, and a curricular crosswalk of the materials against the math standards.

2. Stakeholders:

A total of 57 classroom teachers from Kindergarten through 8th grade self-selected to participate in the pilot of one of the two math programs - enVision or Big Ideas.

	enVision	Big Ideas	
Grade Spans	No. of Teachers	No. of Teachers	
К-4	14	21	
5-8	12	10	
Total K-8	26	31	

Math Pilot Teachers



Results of Program Evaluation

enVision

enVision Mathematics Big Ideas



Highlights

- Teachers liked the 3-Act math lessons that allow students to use mathematical models to solve real world problems.
- Contents of videos in the new version of enVision are better than the current ones.
- Lessons are better designed for differentiation.
- Rigorous, standards-based program

Deficits

- Many teachers indicated that the program is wordy and too rigorous for student learning.
- There are too many concepts to teach in one lesson.

Highlights

- Teachers indicated that the online and class activities in this program promote critical thinking and deep discussions among students.
- The "Laurie's Notes" section in the teacher edition textbooks provide teaching tips and insights.
- Rigorous, standards-based program

Deficits

• This program requires one-to-one Chromebooks for the entire school and interactive boards in every classroom.



Results of Program Evaluation

Post Pilot Teachers Focus Groups

At the conclusion of the focus group, we asked teachers to provide one word as an exit ticket to describe their experience with the pilot materials:

enVision		Big Ideas			
Tired	Mixed feelings	I like the rigor	Eye opening	Complete	Technologically lost
Overwhelmed	Boring	Confusing	Always surprising	Comprehensive	Same
Patience	Torture	Wordy	Discovery	Structured	Seamless
Deliberate	Pencil, paper, computers	Busy work	Excited	Excited	Integrated
Lack of engagement	Tears	Despise	Diverse opportunities	Scattered	Materials Heavy
Spoonfeeding	Convoluted	Relieved	Engaging	Challenging but doable	Bombardment



Reasons for Recommendation

Big Ideas:



- This program is aligned with the state standards.
- The lessons are designed to develop critical thinking skills and promote academic conversations among students.
- The online platform is highly interactive and increases student engagement in learning.
- Most pilot teachers' feedback on this program is positive.



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8th Grade Civics

- New Standards as of 2018
- Needs
- Implementation





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