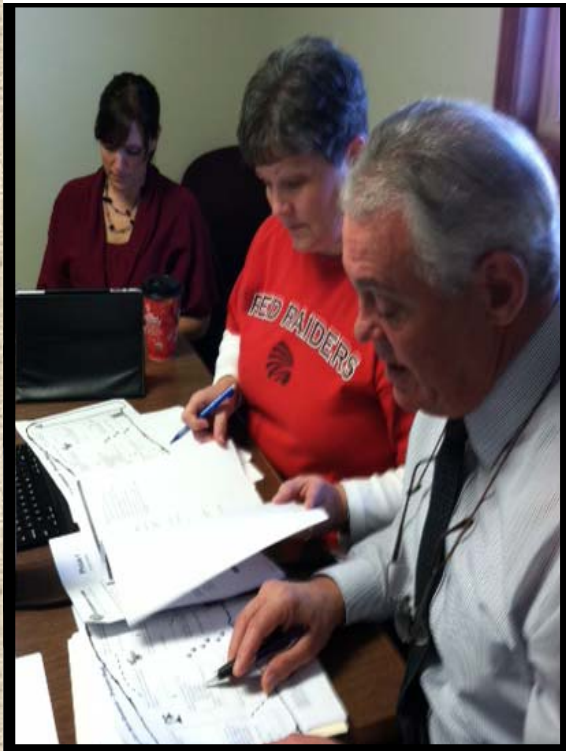




COMMON CORE STATE STANDARDS INITIATIVE

PREPARING AMERICA'S STUDENTS FOR COLLEGE & CAREER



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All USD 320 administrators spent a couple of hours becoming more familiar with the new Common Core Standards for mathematics and English Language Arts. I presented an overview of the differences between these new standards and the current Kansas standards, and also what this will mean for instruction at the various grade levels. There were several hands on activities as part of this training and the administrators left with a desire to learn more and share with their teachers in the buildings. This year is a year of transition for all school districts insofar as the new standards, but teachers and administrators are committed to ongoing professional development focused on how these new standards will impact instruction in the K-12 classrooms.

