

Advisory Council on Teaching and Learning (ACTL)

Meeting
October 8, 2025



ACTL Attendance

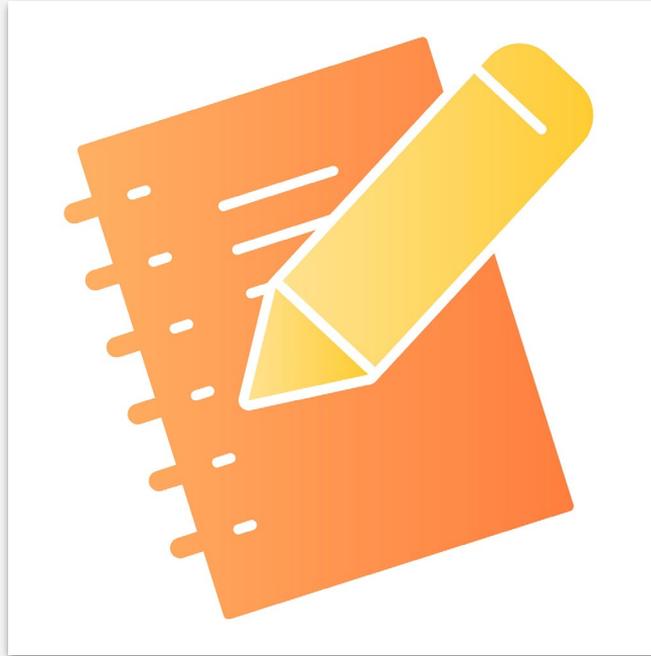
Objectives

- Gain an understanding of how the literacy changes made during 2023-2024 are impacting learning and 6th grade reading for both structured and disciplinary literacy.
- Learn about the newish standards of accreditation framework and ask questions.
- Discuss the School Board Advisory Work Group Committee draft and ACTL response.
- Follow-up from ways to engage your community and gather feedback.

Agenda

- Board introductions
- ACTL Spotlight: Literacy
- Standards of Accreditation Framework
- **School Board Advisory Work Group Committee**
- Engaging with your community

September Minutes Approval



Literacy

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Arlington Public Schools

K- 12 ELA Supervisor

Standards of Accreditation

Jonathan Turrisi

Director of Accountability, Evaluation and Strategic
Planning

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School Board Advisory Work Group Discussion

- Thoughts?
 - Option 1- no standing subcommittees
 - Option 2 - some standing subcommittees
- Should ACTL formally provide response?



Engaging Our Communities



*How might I
best engage
my
community?*

1. Follow-up from September discussion - what strategy you planned to try, what you tried, and any peaks or valleys you experienced.
2. Did you use the fliers that Jill created for us to share information?
3. Did you receive any feedback from community members or questions to bring to the council?
4. What more can the leadership team do to assist with your next engagement activity?
5. Discuss what to share from today's meeting and what we want information we may want to gather from our communities.

From Ginnie: I committed to letting everyone know how my strategy went. I committed to contacting the principal and PTA president to share information and to ask how best I can get information to and from the community. We are again trying ParentSquare, so I sent our fliers from the September meeting and an introductory note about myself and ACTL. I'm hoping it will come out in a ParentSquare message soon - which is my valley because I am realizing I'll need to plan for more lead time. My peak is that the principal was immediately responsive and receptive to sharing information.

Next Month Preview

- October 8
- ACTL Spotlight: Literacy
- Standards of Accreditation and Results



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