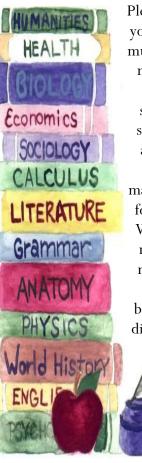
DUTCHESSBOCES NOTES FROM THE CURRICULUM ROOM

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It's **your** curriculum room



Please come in and browse at your convenience. We have much in the way of reference materials, math manipula-

tives, social skills books, supplementary materials, science kits, and literature available at many reading levels. Don't hesitate to make a request or suggestion for our resource materials. While times are tough, we may be able to meet your needs through a variety of methods. With enough backing, we may be able to direct purchases where they are most needed.



UPCOMING **CHANGES** IN STATE TESTS

4th-8th grade state math tests will contain more items, in more formats. There are multiple choice questions, as well as 2 performance components. Most of the questions on both the ELA and Math tests will have a different number and type of learning standard, as well as more time to complete the tests.

IEP WEBINARS AVAILABLE

In addition to our viewing 3 lessons together on January 6, 10, & 13th in the library, many webinars are available for viewing at your leisure through IEP Direct. Just log in and click on messages.



webinar available about National Educational Technology Standards for Students on January 11, 18, and 25th. This course explores available databases and how to teach students to evaluate available online resources.

Additionally, there is a

TEACHING CIVICS TO "GENERATION **LOL"**

There are many websites available as resources.

Some to consider are...

Offers free lesson plans and activities, all of which revolve around the power of people to bring about change: www.aft.org/about/world/resourcesopportunities/civicvoices.cfm

A teachers' guide for teaching the concept of democracy: www.aft.org/pdfs/international/ civicvoicesteachguide1109.pdf

> Looks at elections in other countries: www.democracyweb.org/new-map

A study guide is available at: www.democracyweb.org/toc.php

Hold mock elections: www.nationalmockelection.org

For current events online: http://edition.cnn.com/studentnews

There are multiple resources in our library and curriculum room, for students and teachers, to enhance your lessons.

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