



Palliser Regional  
Schools

AISI

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## AISI Newsletter - Cycle 3

### Welcome Back!

Hello All and Welcome Back for the 2006-2007 School Year.

This is the first of what we hope will be many monthly newsletters. We hope to clarify and answer a few questions/concerns with the information contained below.

This endeavor, together with the accompanying AISI website, is intended to assist in providing quality pro-d information for all teachers and staff in Palliser Regional Schools.

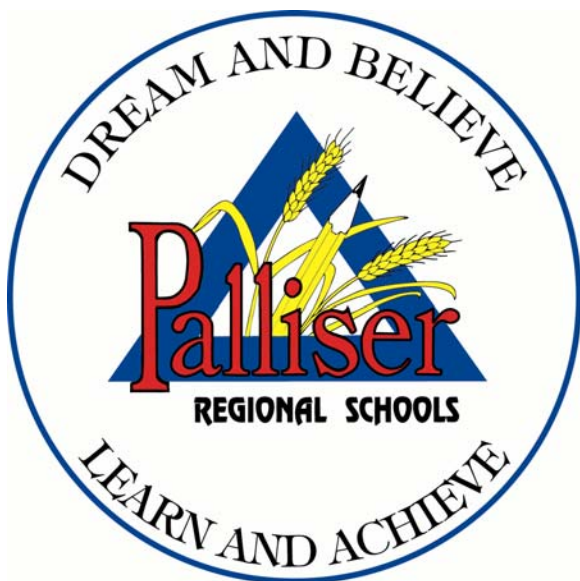
### Ongoing AISI Support

We fully intend to maintain/support the following endeavors as Ongoing AISI aspects of the Division Wide Initiative. As these have existed in the past under the AISI umbrella, we plan to continue them:

- DRA Testing (K - 3)
- Practical Applications of:
  - UBD
  - Curriculum Mapping &
  - Enduring Understandings
- Reading A - Z
- Rubicon ATLAS

### AISI Cycle Three Division Wide Initiative

During the first couple of months of this year, AISI Consultants would like to meet with each school staff (1/2 hr) in an effort to provide everyone with a brief overview of where AISI may be headed for the new 3 Year Cycle. We hope to engage in conversation in an effort to determine and assess needs, interests and concerns. From these meetings and conversations, it is intended that New Proposals will be initiated at the school level. We will set these meetings up through your school administration.



Palliser Regional Schools' New Logo

## AISI Personnel

**Clarice Gilbert** - will be based at County Central High School in Vulcan where she will work as 1/2 time AISI Consultant responsible for Assessment for Learning in the North Schools - including Brant, Heritage Christian Academy & Menno Simons Christian School. Clarice will also work as 1/2 time Consulting Teacher at CCHS.

### Clarice's Schedule

M/T: - Consulting Teacher at CCHS

W/Th: - AISI

Fri: Flex Day - 1/2 AISI - 1/2 Consulting

**Donna Dalby** - based at Jennie Emery Elementary School in Coaldale, Donna will also work as 1/2 time AISI Consultant responsible for Assessment for Learning in the South Schools. Donna will continue her teaching assignment as Music Teacher at JEES.

### Donna's Schedule

Tues(fd), Wed(fd), Thurs(am)

Music Teacher @ JEES

Mon(fd), Thurs(pm), Fri(fd)

AISI Consultant

**Rob Cowie** - responsible for Leadership, School Climate, Technology Integration and all other aspects of the Cycle 3 AISI Project (including Priority Schools), Rob is based at Vulcan Prairie View Elementary School. Rob will also act as liaison to Brant, Menno Simons and Heritage Christian Schools.

## Reminders to Teachers

### PD Days for 2006-2007

1. November 10/06 – District PD Day
2. February 21/06 – District PD Day
3. March 23/07 - ATA PD Day

## New Proposals

As per previous cycles of AISI, schools, staffs or groups of teachers, may submit proposals for Site-Based AISI Projects which fit under the Division Wide Initiative entitled Effective Schools.

AISI Consultants will assist you in completing the necessary preparation and paper work. Projects will be submitted to a Palliser Project Review Committee for final approval.

## Upcoming Events

### Wednesday September 12

Teacher Orientation at Heritage Christian Academy and Menno Simons School.

### Thursday September 14

First Priority Schools Meeting – NCS @ 2:00 PM

### Monday/Tuesday Sept. 18/19

AISI Symposium in Red Deer

### Thursday/Friday Sept. 20/21

First SELU Sessions on Leadership for Palliser Admin and Lead Teachers

## Your New AISI Team Contact Information

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