

Office of Teaching and Learning

Next Generation Science Committee Talking Points

From: January 21, 2016 Meeting

- Next Generation Science Committee met on Thursday, January 21st.
- The Committee will meet monthly this spring to develop an understanding of the Next Generation Science Standards and concepts, as adopted by Illinois.
- The NGSS will be implemented over several years. This spring is a learning time for committee members. Next year will be a learning year for staff- no new curriculum will be implemented.
- Some staff will have the opportunity to pilot potential resources in the fall.
- The committee is co-chaired by Sue Dahl, Fermilab Education Coordinator.
- The focus for the first meeting was to begin thinking about developing "wonder" and excitement about science within ourselves and students.
- The next meeting will be on February 24. The committee will discuss the "when" of teaching science as they begin to delve more into the new standards through the three dimensions of: 1) Scientific Practices, 2) Crosscutting Concepts and 3) Disciplinary Core Ideas.

Next Meeting: February 24 12:30-3:30pm