**Polk County Public Schools** 

# George W. Jenkins Senior High



2015-16 School Improvement Plan

## George W. Jenkins Senior High

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## **School Demographics**

| School Type                  |                      | 2014-15 Title I School | Disadvan            | S Economically<br>taged (FRL) Rate<br>rted on Survey 2) |
|------------------------------|----------------------|------------------------|---------------------|---|
| High                         |                      | No                     |                     | 39%   |
| <b>Alternative/ESI</b><br>No | E Center             | Charter School No      | (Reporte            | 6 Minority Rate<br>ed as Non-white<br>Survey 2)<br>42%  |
| School Grades Histo          | ory                  |                        |                     |   |
| Year<br>Grade                | <b>2014-15</b><br>B* | <b>2013-14</b><br>B    | <b>2012-13</b><br>A | <b>2011-12</b><br>A                                     |

<sup>\*</sup>Preliminary Informational Baseline School Grade

**Note:** The school grades calculation was revised substantially for the 2014-15 school year to implement statutory changes made by the 2014 Legislature and incorporate the new Florida Standards Assessments. The 2014-15 school grades serve as informational baseline data that schools can use to improve in future years.

## **School Board Approval**

This plan is pending approval by the Polk County School Board.

## **SIP Authority and Template**

Section 1001.42(18), Florida Statutes, requires district school boards to annually approve and require implementation of a school improvement plan (SIP) for each school in the district.

The Florida Department of Education (FDOE) SIP template meets all statutory and rule requirements for traditional public schools and incorporates all components required for schools receiving Title I funds. This template is required by State Board of Education Rule 6A-1.099811, Florida Administrative Code, for all non-charter schools with a current grade of D or F, or with a grade of F within the prior two years. For all other schools, the district may use a template of its choosing. All districts must submit annual assurances that their plans meet statutory requirements.

This document was prepared by school and district leadership using the Florida Department of Education's school improvement planning web application located at <a href="https://www.floridaCIMS.org">https://www.floridaCIMS.org</a>.

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## **Purpose and Outline of the SIP**

The SIP is intended to be the primary artifact used by every school with stakeholders to review data, set goals, create an action plan and monitor progress. A corollary at the district level is the District Improvement and Assistance Plan (DIAP), designed to help district leadership make the necessary connections between school and district goals in order to align resources. The Florida Department of Education encourages schools to use the SIP as a "living document" by continually updating, refining and using the plan to guide their work throughout the year. This printed version represents the SIP as of the "Date Modified" listed in the footer.

#### Part I: Current School Status

Part I organizes the current status of the school around five domains inspired by the 5Essentials framework: Supportive Environment, Family and Community Involvement, Effective Leadership, Public and Collaborative Teaching, and Ambitious Instruction and Learning. Questions regarding the school's Multi-Tiered System of Supports have been embedded throughout this part to demonstrate how data is used by stakeholders to understand the needs of all students and allocate appropriate resources in proportion to those needs.

## Part II: Needs Assessment

Part II requires the school to review performance and early warning systems data in order to develop strategic goals and associated data targets (i.e., "SMART goals") for the coming school year in context of the school's greatest strengths and needs. An online tool was developed, which includes data visualizations and processing questions to support problem identification, problem analysis and strategic goal formulation.

## Part III: 8-Step Planning and Problem Solving for Implementation

Part III enables the school to develop implementation plans for its highest-priority goals. With the overview of the current state of the school in mind and the strategic goals identified through the needs assessment, the planning team engages in a facilitated planning and problem-solving process, through which they

- Define strategic goals and establish targets to be reached by successfully achieving the goals (Step 1)
- Identify resources available to support the goals and barriers that could hinder achieving those goals (Step 2)
- Select high-priority barriers they want to address initially (Step 3)
- Design implementation and monitoring plans for strategies to resolve selected barriers (Steps 4-7)
- Determine how they will monitor progress toward each goal (Step 8)

## **Appendices**

The following appendices, automatically-generated from content entered in Part III, are included in this document:

- Appendix 1 is a timeline of all action steps and monitoring activities
- Appendix 2 is an outline of all professional development opportunities and technical assistance items
- Appendix 3 is a report of the budget needed to implement the strategies

## **Differentiated Accountability**

Florida's Differentiated Accountability (DA) system is a statewide network of strategic support, differentiated by need according to performance data, and provided to schools and districts in order to improve leadership capacity, teacher efficacy and student outcomes. DA field teams collaborate with district and school leadership to design, implement and refine improvement plans, as well as provide instructional coaching, as needed.

## **DA Regions**

Florida's DA network is divided into five geographical regions, each served by a field team led by a regional executive director (RED).

## **DA Categories**

Traditional public schools are classified at the start of each school year, based upon the most recently released school grades (A-F), into one of the following categories:

- Not in DA currently A or B with no F in prior three years; charter schools; ungraded schools
- Monitoring Only currently A, B or C with at least one F in the prior three years
- Focus currently D
  - Planning two consecutive grades of D (i.e., DD), or a grade of F immediately followed by a grade of D in the most recent grades release (i.e., FD)
  - Implementing two consecutive grades of D in the most recent grades release preceded by a grade below C (i.e., FDD or DDD)
- Priority currently F
  - Planning declined to a grade of F in the most recent grades release and have not received a
    planning year or implemented a turnaround option during the previous school year
  - Implementing two consecutive grades of F (i.e., FF), or three consecutive grades below C with an F in the most recent grades release (i.e., FDF or DDF)

## **DA Turnaround and Monitoring Statuses**

Additionally, schools in DA are subject to one or more of the following Turnaround and Monitoring Statuses:

- Former F currently A-C with at least one F in the prior three years; SIP is monitored by FDOE
- Planning Focus Planning and Priority Planning; district is planning for possible turnaround
- Implementing Focus Implementing and Priority Implementing; district is implementing the Turnaround Option Plan (TOP)

## 2015-16 DA Category and Statuses

| DA Category | Region | RED               |  |
|-------------|--------|-------------------|--|
| Not In DA   | 3      | Ella Thompson     |  |
| Former F    |        | Turnaround Status |  |
| No          |        |                   |  |

## **Part I: Current School Status**

## **Supportive Environment**

#### **School Mission and Vision**

#### Provide the school's mission statement

Our mission is that each student is promp, polite, and prepared.

## Provide the school's vision statement

Our vision is that each student will graduate with the skills necessary to be successful in college or in a career.

#### School Environment

## Describe the process by which the school learns about students' cultures and builds relationships between teachers and students

George Jenkins has a number of clubs and organizations that are student led and sponsored by a staff member. These clubs and organizations encompass a wide range of interests and enable all students an opportunity to find a peer group and staff member that they can relate to and build a relationship with. Also, students' families are invited to multiple school functions per year that are advertised widely across the community. All of our staff make an appearance at these events and are diligent in communicating and familiarizing themselves with these families.

## Describe how the school creates an environment where students feel safe and respected before, during and after school

Our staff has an established rotation of duty assignments that ensure no area of campus is left unsupervised before school, in between classes, or after school. Our teachers are instructed to interact with the students that are in their duty area and maintain an awareness of what is going on around campus. They report any issues that may be developing to an administrator so that they may be dealt with in a proactive manner. Also, our administration is visible during the school day in between classes, during class, and before and after school.

Describe the schoolwide behavioral system in place that aids in minimizing distractions to keep students engaged during instructional time. This may include, but is not limited to, established protocols for disciplinary incidents, clear behavioral expectations, and training for school personnel to ensure the system is fairly and consistently enforced

At the beginning of each school year, our staff engages in a rotation of school-led professional development. One phase of this rotation is focused on discipline. In this training, our administration reviews our school's discipline policies and procedures, ensuring that all teachers are informed and enact consistent discipline procedures throughout the school. We utilize a choice room that teachers can send students to for minor discipline issues, ensuring that the learning process is not disrupted by tardy students and/or disruptive classroom behavior.

## Describe how the school ensures the social-emotional needs of all students are being met, which may include providing counseling, mentoring and other pupil services

Our guidance counselors are consistently available for any student who needs social-emotional support. They are visible at school functions and take an active role in the development of the students that they are charged with. George Jenkins has a School Resource Deputy who is also available to meet with students in need and refer them to any services that may be needed. Teachers

are trained yearly to be alert for and refer students who may be battling depression or other socialemotional difficulties and are diligent in reporting students who may need additional help. Additional district support staff are visit on a regular basis to support guidance counselors with the social and emotional needs of students.

## **Early Warning Systems**

The school's response to this section may be used to satisfy the requirements of 20 U.S.C. § 6314(b)(1)(B)(ii)(III), (b)(1)(B)(iii)(I), and (b)(1)(I).

## Describe the school's early warning system and provide a list of the early warning indicators used in the system

The school uses the Early Warning System and SchoolMessenger reports that are generated at the district level. These reports identify students with excessive absences, suspensions, students that have below a 2.0 GPA, and students that are considered over age.

In addition to the district-generated reports, the school identifies and monitors students that have not yet passed the state-mandated tests, are behind in credits, or have failed required core classes for graduation.

## Provide the following data related to the school's early warning system

The number of students by grade level that exhibit each early warning indicator:

| Indicator                       | Grade Level |     |     |     | Total |
|---------------------------------|-------------|-----|-----|-----|-------|
| mulcator                        | 9           | 10  | 11  | 12  | Total |
| Attendance below 90 percent     |             | 128 | 138 | 118 | 488   |
| One or more suspensions         |             | 236 | 215 | 93  | 854   |
| Course failure in ELA or Math   | 0           | 0   | 0   | 0   |       |
| Level 1 on statewide assessment | 213         | 102 | 101 | 27  | 443   |

The number of students identified by the system as exhibiting two or more early warning indicators:

| Indicator | Grade Level | Total |
|-----------|-------------|-------|
|           |             |       |

Students exhibiting two or more indicators

## Describe all intervention strategies employed by the school to improve the academic performance of students identified by the early warning system

Students that are a concern for graduation are identified through the Guidance Office and academic deans. These students are conferenced with so that they are aware of their credits, GPA, attendance, and complete a graduation check off list to ensure graduation success. The parents/guardians are contacted to ensure that all stakeholders have the necessary information. Many of these students will be scheduled into classes designed to help them recover credits for core classes. Often times these students will be counseled to enroll in virtual school courses to recover credits. Throughout this process the academic deans and guidance counselors will explore the students' goals for post high school and will refer a student to a career/technical school, a separate school for credit recovery to ensure that student graduates on time, or adult school. These students are monitored on an ongoing basis and parents/guardians are kept apprised of the students' progress. School officials ensure that parents/guardians have the necessary tools to monitor their students' academic performance and attendance.

## Family and Community Involvement

The school's response to this section may be used to satisfy the requirements of 20 U.S.C. § 6314(b)(1)(B)(iii)(I)(aa).

Describe how the school works at building positive relationships with families to increase involvement, including efforts to communicate the school's mission and vision, and keep parents informed of their child's progress

Title I schools use the Parent Involvement Plan (PIP) to meet the requirements of 20 U.S.C. § 6314(b)(1)(F).

## Will the school use its PIP to satisfy this question?

No

#### PIP Link

The school completes a Parental Involvement Plan (PIP), which is available at the school site.

## Description

Parental involvement is key to the success of George Jenkins. Our Academic Booster Club meets once a month and is made up of parents, staff, and community members and serve to support the students and teachers. The Academic Booster Club along with the School Advisory Committee are a voice to the administration and collaborate with the administration to carry out our mission and vision. In addition our school has over 40 other advisory boards and booster organizations that provide communication between the school and parents.

We strive to keep parents informed about their child's academic achievement through the Parent Portal which provides instant information. We also utilize our phone system, electronic marquee, newsletter, and website to keep information up to date for parents. Each Jaunuary we host an informational night to showcase our career academies, AP courses, student organizations, and athletics to incoming freshman and current students. During the summer we host a Freshman Drop In for incoming parents and students to receive information and become involved in the school.

Describe the process by which the school builds and sustains partnerships with the local community for the purpose of securing and utilizing resources to support the school and student achievement

Our Academic Booster Club, School Advisory Committee reach out to the local community to involve business leaders and other community members throughout the year in many areas around school. Several of our student clubs have partnerships with community based youth organizations from around the area. Each of our career academies have an advisory board that meets throughout the year comprised of business leaders, community members, college/university staff, parents, and students to assist in student achievement.

## **Effective Leadership**

The school's response to this section may be used to satisfy the requirements of 20 U.S.C. § 6314(b)(1)(H).

#### **School Leadership Team**

## Membership:

| Name             | Title                    |
|------------------|--------------------------|
| Thomas, Buddy    | Principal                |
| Patton, Tom      | Assistant Principal      |
| Farinas, Jose    | Assistant Principal      |
| Emmerling, Lacy  | Dean                     |
| Robertson, Kevin | Dean                     |
| Werrick, Diane   | Dean                     |
| Rawson, Daniel   | Dean                     |
| Hiers, William   | Dean                     |
| Collins, Joanne  | Guidance Counselor       |
| Goodman, Robert  | Instructional Technology |
| Crosby, Erin     | Dean                     |

#### **Duties**

## Describe the roles and responsibilities of the members, including how they serve as instructional leaders and practice shared decision making

Principal (Buddy Thomas): Provides a common vision for the use of data-based decision-making, ensures that the school-based team is implementing sound instructional practices, conducts assessment of school staff, ensures implementation of intervention support and documentation, ensures adequate professional development to support instructional implementation, and communicates with parents regarding school-based plans and activities.

Assistant Principals (Tom Patton, Jose Farinas, Lacy Emmerling, Kevin Robertson): Assists and facilitates the common vision for the use of data-based decision-making, ensures that the school-based team is implementing instructional strategies, conducts assessment of school staff, ensures implementation of intervention support and documentation, ensures adequate professional development to support instructional implementation, and communicates with parents regarding school-based plans and activities.

Deans: (Brad Hiers, Daniel Rawson, Erin Crosby, and Diane Werrick). This group provides information about core instruction, participates in student data collection, helps facilitate and deliver instruction/intervention, collaborates with other staff to implement interventions, and integrates materials/instruction within the framework of district Curriculum Maps.

Exceptional Student Education (ESE) Teachers (Linda Hamid, ESE Facilitator; Denise Odum, VE): They are the facilitator and Lead Teacher for ESE and participate in student data collection, integrate core instructional activities/materials into instruction, and collaborate with general education teachers through such activities as co-teaching.

ELL Instructor (Lisa Provino): The ELL provides guidance for the ELL plan and participates in collection, interpretation, and analysis of data; facilitates development of intervention plans; provides support for intervention fidelity and documentation; provides professional development and technical assistance for problem-solving activities including data collection, data analysis, intervention planning, and program evaluation; facilitates data-based decision making activities to improve instruction. Student Services Personnel (Guidance Counselors: Joanne Collins, Laura Chancey, Desmore Peters, Dione Facey-Poitier and Denise Norgan): The counselors work with the students to provide quality services and expertise on issues ranging from program design to assessment and intervention with individual students. In addition to providing interventions, counselors work with school social workers to continue to link child-serving and community agencies to the school and families to support the students' academic, emotional, behavioral, and social success.

Describe the process through which school leadership identifies and aligns all available resources (e.g., personnel, instructional, curricular) in order to meet the needs of all students and maximize desired student outcomes. Include the methodology for coordinating and supplementing federal, state and local funds, services and programs. Provide the person(s) responsible, frequency of meetings, how an inventory of resources is maintained and any problem-solving activities used to determine how to apply resources for the highest impact

The leadership team meets once a week to discuss and identify needs of the students and staff. Each team member provides input on academic instruction, student concerns, dropout prevention, professional development, policies, and facility issues. The team works together to address the issues/concerns and the implementation of policies. Input from the School Advisory Committee, Academic Booster Club, and Career Academy Advisory Boards are also brought to the group during these meetings. The leadership team provides insight to the principal so that he can make decisions which determine how to apply resources for the highest impact.

## **School Advisory Council (SAC)**

## Membership:

| Name                 | Stakeholder Group          |
|----------------------|----------------------------|
| Buddy Thomas         | Principal                  |
| Tom Patton           | Education Support Employee |
| Sandra King-Williams | Business/Community         |
| Chloe Melton         | Business/Community         |
| Tammy Coker          | Parent                     |
| Connie Johnson       | Parent                     |
| Michelle Terlep      | Parent                     |
| Carol Sherron        | Business/Community         |
| Lisa Tarallo         | Business/Community         |
| Jose' Farinas        | Education Support Employee |
| Leigh Ann Glass      | Parent                     |

## **Duties**

Provide a description of the SAC's involvement with the following activities, as required by section 1001.452(2), Florida Statutes

Evaluation of last year's school improvement plan

The School Improvement Plan was presented in depth to the SAC committee by the principal and administrative team. It was reviewed by the committee and approved.

Development of this school improvement plan

Members of the SAC committee were consulted during the planning and evaluation stages of the plan. The SAC committee as a whole will review the final plan with the administrative team before final approval by the committee.

Preparation of the school's annual budget and plan

The principal presents and reviews the annual budget to the SAC committee throughout the school year. At various times the SAC committee votes on the distribution of funds to be used for student acceleration and remediation.

## Describe the use of school improvement funds allocated last year, including the amount budgeted for each project

School improvement funds were not allocated for the previous year. \$5,000 from the state lottery funds was used for the Summer Credit Recovery classes to improve the graduation rate. These funds were approved by the SAC committee for this purpose.

Verify that the school is in compliance with section 1001.452, Florida Statutes, regarding the establishment requirements and duties of the SAC Yes

If the school is not in compliance, describe the measures being implemented to meet SAC requirements

## **Literacy Leadership Team (LLT)**

## Membership:

| Name             | Title               |
|------------------|---------------------|
| Emmerling, Lacy  | Assistant Principal |
| Robertson, Kevin | Assistant Principal |
| Provino, Lisa    | Teacher, K-12       |
| Bell, Cathy      | Teacher, K-12       |
| Smither, Mary    | Teacher, K-12       |
| Salas, Jessica   | Teacher, K-12       |
| Collins, Joanne  | Guidance Counselor  |
| Thomas, Buddy    | Principal           |
| Patton, Tom      | Assistant Principal |
| Farinas, Jose    | Assistant Principal |
| Bourque, Katrina | Teacher, K-12       |
| Murphy, Ned      | Teacher, K-12       |
| Mays, Gregg      | Teacher, K-12       |
| Rifkin, Erin     | Teacher, K-12       |

## **Duties**

## Describe how the LLT promotes literacy within the school

The LLT works to implement a professional development program in which every teacher, regardless of subject area, is required to deliver two lessons a month in which the majority of the content is delivered through student engagement with a text. These lessons employ reading strategies, note taking guides, and graphic organizers so that teachers can monitor their students' comprehension. The LLT presents and models one reading strategy every month for the staff. The LLT ensures that students are appropriately scheduled into the correct reading classes.

#### **Public and Collaborative Teaching**

The school's response to this section may be used to satisfy the requirements of 20 U.S.C. § 6314(b)(1)(D).

Describe the school's strategies to encourage positive working relationships between teachers, including collaborative planning and instruction

During the pre-planning week all teachers attended trainings in small groups where the academic planning process for the year began. Throughout the year teachers will meet twice a week in small groups within their subject area to work on common planning. During these meetings the staff will collaborate to create similar lessons and incorporate literacy development with in the lessons.

Describe the school's strategies to recruit, develop and retain highly qualified, certified-in-field, effective teachers to the school

Each year our principal attends several job fairs to recruit top qualified teachers. Applicants are screened through a committee interview team. Teachers new to our school are a part of a teacher mentoring program led by Ms. Emmerling, Mr. Robertson, Mr. Hiers, and Mr. Rawson.

Describe the school's teacher mentoring program, including the rationale for pairings and planned mentoring activities

Our new teacher mentoring program is led by two of our assistant principals, Ms. Emmerling and Mr. Robertson and two of our deans, Mr. Rawson and Mr. Hiers. The group meets prior to the pre-planning week to provide teachers information to help the first week. During the first month of school the deans meet one-on-one with the new teachers to provide assistance with curriculum, technology, and policies. The group continues to meet monthly throughout the year to support the teacher and provide workshops on different proven teaching strategies.

## **Ambitious Instruction and Learning**

## **Instructional Programs and Strategies**

## **Instructional Programs**

Describe how the school ensures its core instructional programs and materials are aligned to Florida's standards

Our staff attends in-service trainings provided by the district at the beginning of the year for each subject area. During these meetings, district staff provides updates to state standards as well as guidance on following the standards. Teacher's lesson plans are created around the curriculum maps following the state standards. These plans are checked throughout the year. Administrators also ensure that the standards are being followed during classroom walkthroughs and evaluation.

## **Instructional Strategies**

Describe how the school uses data to provide and differentiate instruction to meet the diverse needs of students. Provide examples of how instruction is modified or supplemented to assist students having difficulty attaining the proficient or advanced level on state assessments

The school uses FAIR data to make adjustments to students' reading needs. In addition, the school uses ongoing data from teacher assessments, FCAT, end-of-course exams, end-of-year exams, and end-of-quarter exams to differentiate student instruction and curriculum. Teachers review individual student test scores in order to determine which students need additional attention throughout the lessons.

Provide the following information for each strategy the school uses to increase the amount and quality of learning time and help enrich and accelerate the curriculum:

## Strategy: After School Program

## Minutes added to school year: 0

George Jenkins offers two different after-school tutoring programs:1. Peer based tutoring that is offered twice a week. This program is led by students seeking community service hours. Students in need of additional help in their classes are able to work with a peer to receive additional support. This is an informal setting, and students can seek assistance on any topic or subject area that they are struggling with.

2. Teacher-led tutoring for end of course exams. Teachers offer formal after-school tutoring for students that will be taking end of course exams. Students are expected to sign attendance sheets and to stay for the entirety of the tutoring session. Every tutoring session has a set topic to address.

## Strategy Rationale

- 1. The peer-based tutoring is based on the concept that students often learn better from their peers.
- 2. Due to the high-stakes nature of end of course exams, George Jenkins teachers want to ensure that students have additional opportunities to review material presented in class.

## Strategy Purpose(s)

Core Academic Instruction

## Person(s) responsible for monitoring implementation of the strategy Emmerling, Lacy, lacy, emmerling@polk-fl.net

## Data that is or will be collected and how it is analyzed to determine effectiveness of the strategy

EOC tutoring: teachers keep attendance logs to track student participation. These logs are then compared with the students' test results to determine the effectiveness of participation in this program.

#### **Student Transition and Readiness**

## **PreK-12 Transition**

The school's response to this question may be used to satisfy the requirements of 20 U.S.C. § 6314(b)(1)(G).

## Describe the strategies the school employs to support incoming and outgoing cohorts of students in transition from one school level to another

Our incoming freshman class is targeted in January prior to the freshman year. We host a parent/ student night that showcases our career academies, AP courses, club, and athletics for students to be involved in. During the summer prior to the freshman year we host a drop-in to provide more information about the transition to high school and what is offered at George Jenkins. During the freshman year our guidance staff meets with every freshman to discuss the next three years and postsecondary options. Each year after the student meets the guidance staff to review the same information and help explore more options. During the junior year a focus is placed on the postsecondary level with college and career fair and meetings with guidance staff. This focus continues as the student prepares for the senior year where several dual enrollment and AP courses are offered. During the senior year, the guidance staff along with the senior level teachers assist student with the college application process, exploring scholarship opportunities, and complete a check list for graduation requirments.

## **College and Career Readiness**

Describe the strategies the school uses to advance college and career awareness, which may include establishing partnerships with business, industry or community organizations

Each fall we host a college and career fair for all juniors and seniors to attend. In addition we have universities and businesses that visit the school throughout the year to recruit students and provide information about various opportunities. Our guidance department has a college and career center that students can visit to receive more information. Several of our teachers also assist students before and after school with college/university applications and scholarship applications.

Identify the career and technical education programs available to students and industry certifications that may be earned through those respective programs

George Jenkins has a focus on career academies and provides many opportunities for students to receive industry certification. Our academies with industry certifications include Culinary Arts, Early Childhood Development, Veterinary Assisting, Medical (EKG, and First Responder), Digital Design (Microsoft Specialist, Final Cut Pro X, Adobe Certified Associate in Photoshop, Dreamweaver, InDesign, Illistrator, and Flash), Engineering, Drafting, and Legal Office Tech.

Describe efforts the school has taken to integrate career and technical education with academic courses (e.g., industrial biotechnology) to support student achievement

Each month our staff will meet in a planning meeting focused on the career academies. The academies present information to the academic course teachers about their content. The content teachers focus on integrating the concepts of the career academies during the common planning meetings. The content teachers document this incorporation once a month within the lesson plans.

Describe strategies for improving student readiness for the public postsecondary level based on annual analysis of the <u>High School Feedback Report</u>, as required by section 1008.37(4), Florida Statutes

Our school is focused on improving the readiness of students for the postsecondary level. Each year we have a parent/student night prior to registration where all of our AP courses are featured. Students are strongly encouraged to enroll in AP and Dual Enrollment courses during the junior and senior years. Several Dual Enrollment courses are offered on our campus to help students transition into the postsecondary level.

## **Needs Assessment**

## **Problem Identification**

## **Data to Support Problem Identification**

#### Portfolio Selection

Portfolio selection is not required by the Florida Department of Education but is offered as a tool for needs assessment.

#### **Data Uploads**

Data uploads are not required by the Florida Department of Education but are offered as a tool for the needs assessment. In this section, the school may upload files of locally available data charts and graphs being used as evidence of need.

The following documents were submitted as evidence for this section:

## **Problem Identification Summary**

This section is not required by the Florida Department of Education but is provided as an opportunity for the school to summarize the points of strength and areas of need that have been identified in the data.

## **Problem Analysis Summary**

This section is not required by the Florida Department of Education but is provided as an opportunity for the school to summarize the underlying "why" or root causes for the areas of need identified in the data, as determined by situational awareness of, and research conducted by, the stakeholders involved in the needs assessment.

## **School Improvement Goals**

The following key is intended to help readers understand how the sections of this document correspond to the steps of the 8-step planning and problem-solving framework used in the School Improvement Plan. The Quick Key numbers can help registered users go directly to the point of entry for any given goal, barrier and strategy within the online survey.

## **Problem Solving Key**

**G** = Goal **B** =

Barrier **S** = Strategy

## **Strategic Goals Summary**

- **G1.** Teachers' instructional rigor will increase due to a coaching model implemented by the school based leadership team.
- An intentional and continual framework designed to monitor teachers' instruction will increase students' high order thinking, cross-content literacy, and the authentic assessment of students.
- G3. Teachers will utilize common planning to engage students in rigorous tasks aligned with the full intent of the standards in all content areas.

## **Strategic Goals Detail**

For each strategic goal, this section lists the associated targets (i.e., "SMART goals"), resources available to support movement toward the goal, barriers to achieving the goal, and the plan for monitoring progress toward the goal

## **G1.** Teachers' instructional rigor will increase due to a coaching model implemented by the school based leadership team. 1a

## Targets Supported 1b



| Indicator         | Annual Target |
|-------------------|---------------|
| ELA/Reading Gains | 70.0          |

## Resources Available to Support the Goal 2

- Additional district staff development related to the instructional practices.
- Academic Leadership Team

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## Targeted Barriers to Achieving the Goal 3

· Resistance to change of instructional practices.

## Plan to Monitor Progress Toward G1. 8

Student data scores and EPC ratings

## Person Responsible

**Buddy Thomas** 

## **Schedule**

Monthly, from 8/24/2015 to 6/9/2016

## **Evidence of Completion**

administrative observation calendar and EPC ratings

**G2.** An intentional and continual framework designed to monitor teachers' instruction will increase students' high order thinking, cross-content literacy, and the authentic assessment of students. 1a

Targets Supported 1b



| Indicator                                | Annual Target |
|--|---------------|
| Effective+ Teachers (Performance Rating) | 90.0          |

Resources Available to Support the Goal 2

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## Targeted Barriers to Achieving the Goal 3

- · Teacher discomfort with an increase in administrative visits.
- Administrators time management to ensure visits are conducted.

## Plan to Monitor Progress Toward G2. 8

Teachers' incorporation of the instructional focus communicated in feedback and post conference meetings.

## **Person Responsible**

**Buddy Thomas** 

## **Schedule**

Quarterly, from 10/26/2015 to 6/3/2016

## **Evidence of Completion**

Lesson plans, observation documentation, and teacher conversations.

**G3.** Teachers will utilize common planning to engage students in rigorous tasks aligned with the full intent of the standards in all content areas. 1a

## Targets Supported 1b

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| Indicator               | Annual Target |
|-------------------------|---------------|
| Algebra I EOC Pass Rate | 70.0          |
| ELA/Reading Gains       | 70.0          |

## Resources Available to Support the Goal 2

- · Intensive Reading Classes
- Intensive Math Classes paired with Alg 1 for level 1 and 2 students.
- CAR-PD certified teachers in core content and elective areas.
- · After school tutoring for Alg 1

## Targeted Barriers to Achieving the Goal 3

· Content area teachers' use of literacy/ content reading to instruct rather than lecture

## Plan to Monitor Progress Toward G3.

Review of FAIR data.

## **Person Responsible**

Lacy Emmerling

#### **Schedule**

On 6/1/2015

## **Evidence of Completion**

Data from FAIR assessments.

## Plan to Monitor Progress Toward G3. 8

Review of FAIR data.

## Person Responsible

Lacy Emmerling

#### **Schedule**

On 6/1/2015

## **Evidence of Completion**

Data from FAIR assessments.

## Plan to Monitor Progress Toward G3.

Minutes from weekly common planning meetings

## **Person Responsible**

**Buddy Thomas** 

## **Schedule**

Weekly, from 8/24/2015 to 6/3/2016

## **Evidence of Completion**

Minutes from weekly meetings, review of EOC/FSA data in each content area

## **Action Plan for Improvement**

For each strategy selected in the plan to reduce a targeted barrier to a strategic goal, this section lists the rationale for that strategy (i.e., why the school believes it will reduce the barrier) and the action steps that have been identified as necessary to implementing the strategy, including details such as the point person, timing and duration, and evidence of completion. At the end of each set of action steps is the plan for monitoring the implementation and effectiveness of the respective strategy.

## **Problem Solving Key**

**G** = Goal

B = Barrier

S = Strategy

1 = Problem Solving Step S123456 = Quick Key

**G1.** Teachers' instructional rigor will increase due to a coaching model implemented by the school based leadership team. 1

**Q** G074725

G1.B2 Resistance to change of instructional practices. 2

SB195128

**G1.B2.S1** Provide a continued and non-evaluative presence in teachers' classrooms along with additional instructional resources and student data.

## **Strategy Rationale**



Will help to build a trust relationship with the instructional staff and will increase administrators' instructional credibility.

Action Step 1 5

Classroom visits to support the teacher and provide meaningful feedback.

#### Person Responsible

**Buddy Thomas** 

#### **Schedule**

Weekly, from 8/24/2015 to 6/3/2016

#### Evidence of Completion

Notes from meetings with teachers to provide coaching moments.

## Action Step 2 5

District support for coaching teachers when necessary

## Person Responsible

**Buddy Thomas** 

#### **Schedule**

Monthly, from 8/24/2015 to 6/9/2016

## **Evidence of Completion**

**Emails** 

## Plan to Monitor Fidelity of Implementation of G1.B2.S1 6

Classroom visit calendar, school-based leadership team meeting notes

## Person Responsible

**Buddy Thomas** 

## **Schedule**

Weekly, from 8/24/2015 to 6/9/2016

## **Evidence of Completion**

meeting notes and classroom observation schedule

## Plan to Monitor Effectiveness of Implementation of G1.B2.S1 7

Observations of increased instructional rigor (EPC ratings) and increased student engagement

## Person Responsible

**Buddy Thomas** 

## **Schedule**

Weekly, from 8/24/2015 to 6/9/2016

## **Evidence of Completion**

Student achievement data and EPC ratings

**G2.** An intentional and continual framework designed to monitor teachers' instruction will increase students' high order thinking, cross-content literacy, and the authentic assessment of students.

🔍 G074726

**G2.B1** Teacher discomfort with an increase in administrative visits.

🔧 B195130

**G2.B1.S1** Establishing a norm where not all classroom visits are for the purpose of an evaluation.

## S206746

## **Strategy Rationale**

Provides support and feedback for teacher in a non-evaluative format.

## Action Step 1 5

Timely feedback to teachers from classroom visits.

## Person Responsible

**Buddy Thomas** 

## **Schedule**

Weekly, from 8/24/2015 to 6/3/2016

## **Evidence of Completion**

Conversations with teachers, Improved instructional focus evidenced in evaluations.

## Plan to Monitor Fidelity of Implementation of G2.B1.S1 6

Documentation of classroom visits

## Person Responsible

**Buddy Thomas** 

#### **Schedule**

Quarterly, from 8/24/2015 to 6/3/2016

## **Evidence of Completion**

Documentation of weekly visits, schedule of visits from pre-planning meetings, minutes from meetings

## Plan to Monitor Effectiveness of Implementation of G2.B1.S1 7

Setting an administrative calendar for each week to ensure classroom visits are conducted.

#### Person Responsible

**Buddy Thomas** 

#### **Schedule**

Quarterly, from 8/24/2015 to 6/3/2016

## **Evidence of Completion**

Minutes from meetings, calendars, and classroom visit notes.

## **G2.B2** Administrators time management to ensure visits are conducted.



**G2.B2.S1** Weekly pre-planning meetings by administrators to establish a schedule of classroom visits to ensure monitoring.

## **Strategy Rationale**



## Action Step 1 5

Setting an administrative calendar for each week to ensure classroom visits are conducted.

#### Person Responsible

**Buddy Thomas** 

#### Schedule

Weekly, from 8/24/2015 to 6/3/2016

## **Evidence of Completion**

Calendar and documentation from pre-planning

## Plan to Monitor Fidelity of Implementation of G2.B2.S1 6

Review of documentation of pre-planning meetings and follow up meetings with teachers

## Person Responsible

**Buddy Thomas** 

#### **Schedule**

Weekly, from 8/24/2015 to 6/3/2016

## Evidence of Completion

Calendars and documentations of meetings

## Plan to Monitor Effectiveness of Implementation of G2.B2.S1 7

Weekly meetings and follow-up documentation

## Person Responsible

**Buddy Thomas** 

#### Schedule

Weekly, from 8/24/2015 to 6/3/2016

## **Evidence of Completion**

Documentation of meetings with teachers, evaluations, and pre-planning schedules.

**G3.** Teachers will utilize common planning to engage students in rigorous tasks aligned with the full intent of the standards in all content areas.

**Q** G074727

G3.B1 Content area teachers' use of literacy/ content reading to instruct rather than lecture 2

🔍 B195133

**G3.B1.S1** Implement campus wide professional development program that blends writing and reading within the content areas.

## **Strategy Rationale**



Impact student achievement across all content areas.

## Action Step 1 5

Teachers will be required to use reading as a primary source of instruction twice a month.

## Person Responsible

**Buddy Thomas** 

#### **Schedule**

Monthly, from 9/4/2014 to 6/4/2015

## **Evidence of Completion**

Documentation of the strategy in the lesson plan to be turned in. Walkthroughs that will be coordinated with administration during implementation.

## Action Step 2 5

Monthly PLC's that will focus on literacy instruction.

## Person Responsible

Lacy Emmerling

## **Schedule**

Monthly, from 9/25/2014 to 6/4/2015

## **Evidence of Completion**

Agenda from PLC meetings and Literacy artifacts.

## Plan to Monitor Fidelity of Implementation of G3.B1.S1 6

Administrators will conduct classroom walkthroughs that will be coordinated with the teacher while literacy strategies are being utilized.

## Person Responsible

**Buddy Thomas** 

## Schedule

Monthly, from 10/1/2014 to 6/4/2015

## **Evidence of Completion**

Records of classroom walkthroughs on Journey.

## Plan to Monitor Fidelity of Implementation of G3.B1.S1 6

Review of lesson plans documenting the use of literacy instruction twice a month.

## **Person Responsible**

Tom Patton

#### **Schedule**

Monthly, from 9/4/2014 to 6/4/2015

## **Evidence of Completion**

Submitted Lesson Plans

## Plan to Monitor Effectiveness of Implementation of G3.B1.S1 7

Review of Literacy scores on State Assessment.

## Person Responsible

**Buddy Thomas** 

#### Schedule

On 7/1/2015

## Evidence of Completion

State Literacy Assessment Data

## **Appendix 1: Implementation Timeline**

Action steps and monitoring activities identified in the SIP as necessary to achieve the school's goals.

| Source       | Task, Action Step or Monitoring<br>Activity  | Who             | Start Date<br>(where<br>applicable) | Deliverable or Evidence of<br>Completion   | Due Date/<br>End Date |
|--------------|--|-----------------|-------------------------------------|--|-----------------------|
| G1.B2.S1.A1  | Classroom visits to support the teacher and provide meaningful feedback.   | Thomas, Buddy   | 8/24/2015                           | Notes from meetings with teachers to provide coaching moments.   | 6/3/2016<br>weekly    |
| G2.B1.S1.A1  | Timely feedback to teachers from classroom visits.   | Thomas, Buddy   | 8/24/2015                           | Conversations with teachers, Improved instructional focus evidenced in evaluations.  | 6/3/2016<br>weekly    |
| G2.B2.S1.A1  | Setting an administrative calendar for each week to ensure classroom visits are conducted.   | Thomas, Buddy   | 8/24/2015                           | Calendar and documentation from pre-<br>planning   | 6/3/2016<br>weekly    |
| G3.B1.S1.A1  | Teachers will be required to use reading as a primary source of instruction twice a month.   | Thomas, Buddy   | 9/4/2014                            | Documentation of the strategy in the lesson plan to be turned in. Walkthroughs that will be coordinated with administration during implementation. | 6/4/2015<br>monthly   |
| G1.B2.S1.A2  | District support for coaching teachers when necessary  | Thomas, Buddy   | 8/24/2015                           | Emails   | 6/9/2016<br>monthly   |
| G3.B1.S1.A2  | Monthly PLC's that will focus on literacy instruction.   | Emmerling, Lacy | 9/25/2014                           | Agenda from PLC meetings and Literacy artifacts.   | 6/4/2015<br>monthly   |
| G1.MA1       | Student data scores and EPC ratings  | Thomas, Buddy   | 8/24/2015                           | administrative observation calendar and EPC ratings  | 6/9/2016<br>monthly   |
| G1.B2.S1.MA1 | Observations of increased instructional rigor (EPC ratings) and increased student engagement   | Thomas, Buddy   | 8/24/2015                           | Student achievement data and EPC ratings   | 6/9/2016<br>weekly    |
| G1.B2.S1.MA1 | Classroom visit calendar, school-based leadership team meeting notes   | Thomas, Buddy   | 8/24/2015                           | meeting notes and classroom observation schedule   | 6/9/2016<br>weekly    |
| G2.MA1       | Teachers' incorporation of the instructional focus communicated in feedback and post conference meetings.                                  | Thomas, Buddy   | 10/26/2015                          | Lesson plans, observation documentation, and teacher conversations.  | 6/3/2016<br>quarterly |
| G2.B1.S1.MA1 | Setting an administrative calendar for each week to ensure classroom visits are conducted.   | Thomas, Buddy   | 8/24/2015                           | Minutes from meetings, calendars, and classroom visit notes.   | 6/3/2016<br>quarterly |
| G2.B1.S1.MA1 | Documentation of classroom visits  | Thomas, Buddy   | 8/24/2015                           | Documentation of weekly visits, schedule of visits from pre-planning meetings, minutes from meetings   | 6/3/2016<br>quarterly |
| G2.B2.S1.MA1 | Weekly meetings and follow-up documentation  | Thomas, Buddy   | 8/24/2015                           | Documentation of meetings with teachers, evaluations, and pre-planning schedules.  | 6/3/2016<br>weekly    |
| G2.B2.S1.MA1 | Review of documentation of pre-<br>planning meetings and follow up<br>meetings with teachers   | Thomas, Buddy   | 8/24/2015                           | Calendars and documentations of meetings   | 6/3/2016<br>weekly    |
| G3.MA1       | Review of FAIR data.   | Emmerling, Lacy | 9/1/2014                            | Data from FAIR assessments.  | 6/1/2015<br>one-time  |
| G3.MA1       | Review of FAIR data.   | Emmerling, Lacy | 9/1/2014                            | Data from FAIR assessments.  | 6/1/2015<br>one-time  |
| G3.MA3       | Minutes from weekly common planning meetings   | Thomas, Buddy   | 8/24/2015                           | Minutes from weekly meetings, review of EOC/FSA data in each content area  | 6/3/2016<br>weekly    |
| G3.B1.S1.MA1 | Review of Literacy scores on State Assessment.   | Thomas, Buddy   | 6/5/2015                            | State Literacy Assessment Data   | 7/1/2015<br>one-time  |
| G3.B1.S1.MA1 | Administrators will conduct classroom walkthroughs that will be coordinated with the teacher while literacy strategies are being utilized. | Thomas, Buddy   | 10/1/2014                           | Records of classroom walkthroughs on Journey.  | 6/4/2015<br>monthly   |
| G3.B1.S1.MA2 | Review of lesson plans documenting the use of literacy instruction twice a month.  | Patton, Tom     | 9/4/2014                            | Submitted Lesson Plans   | 6/4/2015<br>monthly   |

## **Appendix 2: Professional Development and Technical Assistance Outlines**

Professional development opportunities and technical assistance items identified in the SIP as action steps to achieve the school's goals.

## **Professional Development Opportunities**

Professional development opportunities identified in the SIP as action steps to achieve the school's goals.

- **G1.** Teachers' instructional rigor will increase due to a coaching model implemented by the school based leadership team.
  - **G1.B2** Resistance to change of instructional practices.
    - **G1.B2.S1** Provide a continued and non-evaluative presence in teachers' classrooms along with additional instructional resources and student data.

## **PD Opportunity 1**

District support for coaching teachers when necessary

#### **Facilitator**

District-provided subject area specialist

## **Participants**

Content area teachers

#### **Schedule**

Monthly, from 8/24/2015 to 6/9/2016

- **G3.** Teachers will utilize common planning to engage students in rigorous tasks aligned with the full intent of the standards in all content areas.
  - G3.B1 Content area teachers' use of literacy/ content reading to instruct rather than lecture
    - **G3.B1.S1** Implement campus wide professional development program that blends writing and reading within the content areas.

## PD Opportunity 1

Monthly PLC's that will focus on literacy instruction.

#### **Facilitator**

Lacy Emmerling

## **Participants**

All teachers

#### **Schedule**

Monthly, from 9/25/2014 to 6/4/2015

## **Technical Assistance Items**

Technical Assistance opportunities identified in the SIP as action steps to achieve the school's goals.

## Budget

| Budget Data |             |  |        |
|-------------|-------------|--|--------|
| 1           | G1.B2.S1.A1 | Classroom visits to support the teacher and provide meaningful feedback.                   | \$0.00 |
| 2           | G1.B2.S1.A2 | District support for coaching teachers when necessary                                      | \$0.00 |
| 3           | G2.B1.S1.A1 | Timely feedback to teachers from classroom visits.   | \$0.00 |
| 4           | G2.B2.S1.A1 | Setting an administrative calendar for each week to ensure classroom visits are conducted. | \$0.00 |
| 5           | G3.B1.S1.A1 | Teachers will be required to use reading as a primary source of instruction twice a month. | \$0.00 |
| 6           | G3.B1.S1.A2 | Monthly PLC's that will focus on literacy instruction.                                     | \$0.00 |
|             |             | Total:   | \$0.00 |