

The School District of Palm Beach County

Sandpiper Shores Elementary School



2015-16 School Improvement Plan

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School Demographics

School Type	2014-15 Title I School	2015-16 Economically Disadvantaged (FRL) Rate (As Reported on Survey 2)
Elementary	No	45%

Alternative/ESE Center	Charter School	2015-16 Minority Rate (Reported as Non-white on Survey 2)
No	No	56%

School Grades History

Year	2014-15	2013-14	2012-13	2011-12
Grade	A*	A	A	A

**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 was approved by the Palm Beach County School Board on 11/17/2015.

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 <https://www.floridacims.org>.

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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	5	Gayle Sitter
Former F	Turnaround Status	
No		

Part I: Current School Status

Supportive Environment

School Mission and Vision

Provide the school's mission statement

Sandpiper Shores Elementary is committed to providing a world-class education with excellence and equity to empower each student to reach his or her highest potential with the most effective staff to foster the knowledge, skills, and ethics required for responsible citizenship and productive careers.

Provide the school's vision statement

Sandpiper Shores Elementary envisions a dynamic collaborative multi-cultural community where education and lifelong learning are valued and supported, and all learners reach their highest potential and succeed in the global economy.

School Environment

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

Our school will infuse the content required by Florida Statute 1003.42(2) and S.B. Policy 2.09 (8)(b), as applicable to appropriate grade levels, including but not limited to:

- History of Holocaust-infusing literacy in the 5th grade curriculum such as Number the Stars and Daniels Story, etc.
- History of Africans and African Americans-infusing through literacy school-wide
- Hispanic Contributions-Teachers will embed cultural diversity within curriculum and daily course work through reading selections.
- Women's Contributions-Teachers will embed cultural diversity within curriculum and daily course work through reading selections.
- Sacrifices of Veterans-Teachers will embed cultural diversity within curriculum and daily course work through reading selections.

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

Sandpiper Shores Elementary will articulate, demonstrate, and teach the specific practices that reflect the application of our SwPBS Universal Guidelines to the contexts students will encounter before/ during/after school in order to foster Single School Culture.

Sandpiper Shores Shining S.T.A.R.S. are Safe, Team Players, Accepting, Respectful, and Successful.

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

- Universal Guidelines and behavior matrix taught twice a year to ensure students are aware of school expectations.
- Ensure differentiation of instruction is taking place to meet the needs of all students. Teachers will convey and review expectations for each learning activity.
- Make references to Universal Guidelines and behavioral expectations when providing students with

positive feedback ("You were responsible when you returned your library book on time.")

- School-wide recognition system is in place;

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

- Operational school based team that meets weekly to discuss students with barriers to academic and social success;
- Teachers volunteer and are available to mentor students in need of support
- Engage with identified staff (i.e. school counselor, school-based team leader) to provide a differentiated delivery of services based on student/school need. Include core (classroom guidance, workshop, assembly), supplemental (solution focused small group counseling), and intensive supports. Utilize data-based decision making to close academic, social-emotional and college-career equity gaps by connecting all students with the services they need.
- School guidance counselor offers a variety of group counseling services and meets with students individually who are in need of support.

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

- Utilize data systems to identify students who have attendance, behavioral or academic concerns
- Set up a data room where our students who are functioning below grade level are identified, discussed and monitored on a regular basis.

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
	K	1	2	3	4	5	
Attendance below 90 percent	27	23	18	17	20	13	118
One or more suspensions	1	3	2	0	0	2	8
Course failure in ELA or Math	33	49	39	70	33	47	271
Level 1 on statewide assessment	0	0	0	0	0	0	
	0	0	0	0	0	0	

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

Indicator	Grade Level						Total
	K	1	2	3	4	5	
Students exhibiting two or more indicators	10	11	6	8	5	6	46

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

- Effective multi-disciplinary teams in place to problem solve and create action plans;
- SAI , iii, Tutorials, LLI, Wilson, Foundations, etc. ;

- Teachers meet regularly in the data room to discuss student growth and monitor progress,
- They plan collaboratively to meet the needs of all students.

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

Our school communicates our vision and mission statements through SAC and our website

* Open House, Curriculum nights (6:00pm), PTA General Meetings combined with awards ceremonies to increase parent involvement (7:00PM) and numerous monthly activities (day and evening), SAC (6:00PM), Parent Educational Training Opportunities (morning and evening)

- During Open House, curriculum night, etc. ensure non-threatening methods of introducing parents to teachers and administrators
- Communicate classroom and school news to parents on a regular basis through memos, flyers, call outs, Edline and PTA newsletter
- Positive notes, letters, phone calls home
- Curriculum -based family nights (Math, Science, Reading, etc.)

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

Business Partnerships are established to provide support for various activities/events throughout the school year.

Families are encouraged to support the businesses that sponsor activities/events at Sandpiper Shores Elementary.

Events done in conjunction with local vendors brings a symbiotic supportive relationship between the community and school.

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
Coletto, Stephanie	Principal
Boone, Sheila	Assistant Principal
Brandt, Renee	Teacher, ESE
Rice, Traci	Teacher, K-12
Brodbeck, Alison	Psychologist
Coyne, Kate	Teacher, ESE
Strickroot, Millie	Instructional Coach
Davies, Randi	Other
Lessne, Dahlia	Guidance Counselor

Duties

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

The school-based MTSS Leadership Team is comprised of the following members: principal, assistant principal, ESE contact, school psychologist, classroom teachers, Speech Language Pathologist, and the school counselor.

The principal provides a common vision for the use of data-based decision-making to ensure:

- *a sound, effective academic program is in place
- *a process to address and monitor subsequent needs is created
- *the School Based Team (SBT) is implementing RTI processes
- *assessment of RTI skills of school staff is conducted
- *fidelity of implementation of intervention support is documented
- *adequate professional development to support RTI implementation is provided
- *effective communication with parents regarding school-based RTI plans and activities

The School Based Team/MTSS Leader: The School Based Team/MTSS Leader will assist the principal in overseeing the entire RTI process at the school. The School Based Team/MTSS Counselor and other members of the team will provide professional development to the staff and parents in reference to the overall MTSS process, effective interventions, using CBM's to progress monitor the effectiveness of the interventions and graphing and analyzing student data and current instructional practices used at the school. She will be responsible for tracking school based team referrals. The SBT/MTSS Leader will provide academic, social and behavioral interventions and track and monitor their progress. The members of the team will also review student referrals, analyze individual student data, problem solve and assign teachers to provide interventions for students in Tier III.

The ESE Contact: The ESE contact will actively participate in the SBT/RTI meetings. This will include reviewing student referrals, analyzing individual student data, and problem solving. The ESE contact will also collaborate with general education and special education teachers to create goals and interventions for individual students. The ESE contact will also work collaboratively with the general education teachers to implement effective interventions for Tier II and Tier III students. Student data will be collected and analyzed to see if students are responding to the intervention.

The Psychologist: The psychologist will actively participate in all SBT/RTI meetings. This will include collection, interpretation, and analysis of data, facilitating development of intervention plans, providing support for intervention fidelity and documentation, providing professional development and technical assistance for problem solving activities including data collection, data analysis, intervention planning, and program evaluation, and facilitating data based decision making activities.

Speech Pathologist: The speech pathologist will actively participate in the SBT/RTI meetings. This will include reviewing student referrals, analyzing individual student data, and problem solving. The

Speech Pathologist will also collaborate with general education and special education teachers to create goals and interventions for individual students. The Speech Pathologist will also work collaboratively with the general education teachers to implement effective interventions for Tier II and Tier III students. Student data will be collected and analyzed to see if students are responding to the intervention.

The School Counselor: The School Counselor will provide guidance lessons, small group counseling and individual support to staff and students. The School Counselor will share effective interventions with staff members. The School Counselor will provide social and behavioral interventions and assist staff members in tracking and monitoring their progress.

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 school-based MTSS Leadership Team will meet weekly to review universal screening data, diagnostic data, and progress monitoring data and to review the SIP structures. Based on this information, the team will identify the professional development activities needed to create effective learning environments, determine if changes need to be made in the SIP strategies, funding or resources and determine if student needs are being met. After determining that effective Tier 1- Core Instruction is in place, the team will identify students who are not meeting identified academic targets. The identified students will be referred to the school-based RtI Leadership Team.

The MTSS/RTI team will use the Problem Solving Model* to conduct all meetings. Based on data and discussion, the team will identify students who are in need of additional academic and/or behavioral support (supplemental or intensive). An intervention plan will be developed (PBCSD Form 2284) which identifies a student's specific areas of deficiencies and appropriate research-based interventions to address these deficiencies. The team will ensure the necessary resources are available and the intervention is implemented with fidelity. Each case will be assigned a case liaison to support the interventionist (e.g., teacher, RtI/Inclusion Facilitator, guidance counselor) and report back on all data collected for further discussion at future meetings.

Problem Solving Model -The four steps of the Problem Solving Model are:

1. Problem Identification entails identifying the problem and the desired behavior for the student.
2. Problem Analysis involves analyzing why the problem is occurring by collecting data to determine possible causes of the identified problem.
3. Intervention Design & Implementation involves selecting or developing evidence-based interventions based upon data previously collected. These interventions are then implemented.
4. Evaluating is also termed Response-to-Intervention. In this step, the effectiveness of a student's or group of students' response to the implemented intervention is evaluated and measured.

The problem solving process is self-correcting, and, if necessary, recycles in order to achieve the best outcomes for all students. This process is strongly supported by both IDEA and NCLB. Specifically, both legislative actions support all students achieving benchmarks regardless of their status in general or special education

An ongoing process for identifying researched based interventions is in place. Student needs are directly matched to researched based intervention. The team meets weekly to review the students case load and monitor the weekly data that has been collected by the teachers and passed on to the case-mangers.

SAI Teacher services students who are in the lowest 25% in Reading

Nutritious Programs - Free Breakfast for all students every morning

G.R.E.A.T. Program - Fifth Grade program

Anti-Bullying program - Guidance Counselor

Our school integrates Single School Culture by sharing our Universal Guidelines for success, following our Behavioral Matrix and teaching expected behaviors, communicating with parents and

monitoring SwPBS. We update our Action Plans during our SwPBS Team meetings. We instill an appreciation for multicultural diversity through our anti bullying campaign, structured lessons and implementation of SwPBS programs. Our Fifth Grade students participate in a six week anti-bullying program called G.R.E.A.T. (Gang Resistance Education and Training). A graduation is held at the end of the six weeks for all Fifth Grade students. Our Guidance Counselor does classroom lessons with our students from other grade levels.

School Advisory Council (SAC)

Membership:

Name	Stakeholder Group
Stephanie Coletto	Principal
Richard Brandt	Business/Community
Paula Weiss	Parent
Mitzi Taylor-Young	Teacher
Allyson Finger	Teacher
Fira Redinsky	Teacher
Ann Fleming	Teacher
Pina Lopez	Education Support Employee
Adriane Ortiz	Parent
Melissa Romo	Parent
Wolf Richardson	Parent
Jamie Filla	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

At our monthly SAC meetings, we will review our SIP goals as measured by data from the FSA Assessment in order to monitor our progress. Strengths and weaknesses were discussed and a preliminary plan was developed for School Improvement goals and strategies. During the preschool meetings and school year Learning Team meetings, data will be analyzed and discussed. Adjustments will be made to the plan as necessary.

Development of this school improvement plan

School Improvement Committee members convened on July 27 and 28, 2015 to identify strengths and weaknesses and a preliminary plan was developed for School Improvement goals and strategies. The SAC reviewed and approved the SIP at the first SAC meeting on September 9, 2015. The SAC will continue to meet on a monthly basis to review current student data and revise the SIP as the need arises. This process will be ongoing throughout the year as the data becomes available.

Preparation of the school's annual budget and plan

If funds become available, 100% will be applied towards tutorial programs for students.

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

100% was applied towards tutorial programs for students.

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
Coletto, Stephanie	Principal
Boone, Sheila	Assistant Principal
Giblin, Maureen	Teacher, K-12
Fleming, Ann	Teacher, K-12
Bentayou, Ashley	Teacher, K-12
Symanski, Carol	Teacher, K-12
Dybas, Mercedes	Teacher, ESE
Strickroot, Millie	Teacher, K-12
Rice, Traci	Teacher, ESE
Briggs, Mary	Teacher, K-12
Ulanowicz, Jill	Teacher, K-12
patel, Anika	Teacher, K-12
Freitas, Renata	Teacher, K-12

Duties

Describe how the LLT promotes literacy within the school

This group of professionals is comprised of leaders in literacy. This team includes a literacy leader from each grade level, a representative from ESE, and both administrators. The team uses data to establish the literacy goals for that school year. Goals have been established. The team will create a plan of action and meet monthly, (more if necessary) to assess progress towards accomplishing the goals. The team promotes and supports literacy in a variety of ways: through literacy events, professional development, training and support from District Cohort leaders through coaching and/ modeling, summer literacy plans, addressing scheduling concerns, providing instructional and student resources and materials, and other initiatives.

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

One venue for encouraging positive working relationships with teachers is participation in Learning Team Meetings. The master schedule has been designed to provide consistent time for teachers to meet by grade level for the purpose of analyzing data and unpacking standards in order to reach and maintain academic rigor. Student progress is monitored and instruction is modified as needed based on decisions made through collaboration.

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

Sandpiper Shores continues to partner with local universities in order to participate in their Teacher Intern program. The school pairs student interns with experienced clinical educators who share their professional expertise. Many of the interns have secured permanent positions at Sandpiper Shores upon successful completion of the program. Administration attends job fairs and reaches out to qualified candidates from all over the country to find the right fit. Extensive training and peer support offered to all new staff to increase retention rates.

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

All first year teachers are participating in the Educator Support Program (ESP). ESP is the School District of Palm Beach County's formal program of support for newly hired educators. Systems of support include a mentor support team, staff development opportunities, observations, conferences, and written and oral feedback.

ESP, the program of support and induction for first year teachers, is designed to elicit evidence that a beginning teacher has demonstrated teaching competencies that promote student learning. ESP helps ensure that all beginning teachers have opportunities to strengthen their knowledge of instructional strategies, enhance their understanding of students as learners, and begin a process of lifelong learning and professional growth.

School personnel are engaged in systematic mentoring, coaching, and induction programs that are consistent with the school's values and beliefs about teaching, learning, and the conditions that support learning. These programs set high expectations for all school personnel and include valid and reliable measures of performance.

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 school creates ongoing opportunities for teachers to unpack the Florida Standards. Teachers utilize district provided resources such as Blender to plan and discuss English Language Arts and Math curriculum. This supports a deeper level of comprehension. These conversations and learning opportunities promote dialogue that can dispel misunderstandings and promote opportunities for growth in instructional practice, curriculum, and the standards.

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

*Holding Learning Team and Literacy Leadership Team Meetings on a regular basis to make decisions about literacy instruction in the school

* Student data is analyzed and compared to expectations found in the Language Arts Florida Standards (LAFS)

•Utilizing a balanced literacy approach that includes whole group, small group and one-on-one instruction based on student needs

•Creating a schedule with an uninterrupted 90 minute reading block

•Creating a schedule with an uninterrupted 45-60 minute writing block

•Providing iii instruction based on student needs

•Providing instruction aligned with the Language Arts Florida Standards for their grade level

•Administering assessments which measure instructed standards

Monitoring progress at the class and grade level during Learning Team Meetings

•Conducting data chats with students

Choosing methods of instruction based on the needs of students (modeled, guided practice, inquiry)

•Students self-selecting texts based on RRR levels

•Students receiving push-in/pull out services for ESE/ELL

•Providing LLI (Leveled Literacy Intervention) instruction

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: 5,400

Tutorial programs will be offered in Reading and Math to students who are not proficient.

Strategy Rationale

Provide students with strategic instruction based on their need in order to increase student achievement.

Strategy Purpose(s)

- Teacher collaboration, planning and professional development

Person(s) responsible for monitoring implementation of the strategy

Coletto, Stephanie, stephanie.coletto@palmbeachschools.org

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

Pre-test/Post-test will be administered to the students and data will be reviewed and analyzed.

Strategy: Extended School Day

Minutes added to school year:

Strategy Rationale

Strategy Purpose(s)

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Person(s) responsible for monitoring implementation of the strategy

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

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

Strategies used to assist Pre-K children in their transition are:

Parents and students attend an orientation in May to assist in preparing students for Kindergarten
Staggered start schedule is implemented to assist students in transitioning

Strategies used to assist students in transitioning through grade levels:

All members of the school staff participate in collaborative learning communities that meet both informally and formally on a regular schedule. Collaboration occurs across grade levels and content areas. Staff members implement a formal process that promotes productive discussion about student learning. School personnel can clearly link collaboration to improvement results in instructional practice and student performance.

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

NA

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

Na

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

NA

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

NA

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:

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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

1 = Problem Solving Step  S123456 = Quick Key

Strategic Goals Summary

G1. If we increase rigor in instruction, then student proficiency will improve.

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. If we increase rigor in instruction, then student proficiency will improve. 1a

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Targets Supported 1b

Indicator	Annual Target
Math Achievement District Assessment	70.0
FAA Reading Proficiency	85.0
ELA Achievement District Assessment	70.0
FCAT 2.0 Science Proficiency	72.0

Resources Available to Support the Goal 2

- Utilize an LTF and district personnel for professional development
-

Targeted Barriers to Achieving the Goal 3

- Understanding how to get to rigor

Plan to Monitor Progress Toward G1. 8

FSQs and USA assessments

Person Responsible

Stephanie Coletto

Schedule

Every 3 Weeks, from 8/17/2015 to 6/2/2016

Evidence of Completion

Performance Matters data reports

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. If we increase rigor in instruction, then student proficiency will improve. **1**

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G1.B1 Understanding how to get to rigor **2**

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G1.B1.S1 Train teachers in the use of resources **4**

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Strategy Rationale

To deepen teacher's knowledge.

Action Step 1 **5**

Train teachers in the use of the Continuum of Literacy to drive instruction.

Person Responsible

Sheila Boone

Schedule

Every 3 Weeks, from 8/17/2015 to 6/2/2016

Evidence of Completion

Agendas and sign in sheets

Action Step 2 5

Train teachers in resources that are aligned to the MAFS

Person Responsible

Sheila Boone

Schedule

Every 3 Weeks, from 8/17/2015 to 6/2/2016

Evidence of Completion

Agendas and sign in sheets

Action Step 3 5

Aligning standards and test item specs to curriculum across grade levels

Person Responsible

Stephanie Coletto

Schedule

Monthly, from 8/17/2015 to 6/2/2016

Evidence of Completion

Discussion and Planning at LTM Meetings

Action Step 4 5

Utilizing the Units of Study to teach writing across the curriculum

Person Responsible

Stephanie Coletto

Schedule

Monthly, from 8/17/2015 to 6/2/2016

Evidence of Completion

Through classroom walkthroughs

Action Step 5 5

Aligning Science standards across grade levels and infusing science into literacy and math

Person Responsible

Stephanie Coletto

Schedule

Quarterly, from 8/17/2015 to 6/2/2016

Evidence of Completion

Performance matters, FSQ and USA assessments and other informal assessments

Plan to Monitor Fidelity of Implementation of G1.B1.S1 6

Agendas, sign in sheets, and LTM data

Person Responsible

Stephanie Coletto

Schedule

Every 3 Weeks, from 8/17/2015 to 6/2/2016

Evidence of Completion

RRR, data from Performance Matters, data from Diagnostic testing, Lesson Plans

Plan to Monitor Effectiveness of Implementation of G1.B1.S1 7

iObservation and classroom walkthrough

Person Responsible

Stephanie Coletto

Schedule

Every 3 Weeks, from 8/17/2015 to 6/2/2016

Evidence of Completion

RRR, data from Performance Matters, data from Diagnostic testing, Lesson Plans

G1.B1.S2 Train teacher in the Marzano seven elements that lead to rigor **4**

 S207142

Strategy Rationale

To increase cognitive complexity as measured by the Depth of Knowledge.

Action Step 1 **5**

Through professional development at faculty meetings and in our LTM meetings.

Person Responsible

Stephanie Coletto

Schedule

Monthly, from 8/17/2015 to 6/2/2016

Evidence of Completion

Classroom walkthroughs

Plan to Monitor Fidelity of Implementation of G1.B1.S2 **6**

Administration is working with LTF to and PD contact to plan PD.

Person Responsible

Stephanie Coletto

Schedule

Quarterly, from 8/17/2015 to 6/2/2016

Evidence of Completion

Sign in sheets and agendas

Plan to Monitor Effectiveness of Implementation of G1.B1.S2 **7**

Through observation of classroom instruction and through data chats.

Person Responsible

Stephanie Coletto

Schedule

Semiannually, from 8/17/2015 to 6/2/2016

Evidence of Completion

Through FSQ and USA assessments and student artifacts.

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 Activity	Who	Start Date (where applicable)	Deliverable or Evidence of Completion	Due Date/End Date
G1.B1.S1.A1	Train teachers in the use of the Continuum of Literacy to drive instruction.	Boone, Sheila	8/17/2015	Agendas and sign in sheets	6/2/2016 every-3-weeks
G1.B1.S2.A1	Through professional development at faculty meetings and in our LTM meetings.	Coletto, Stephanie	8/17/2015	Classroom walkthroughs	6/2/2016 monthly
G1.B1.S1.A2	Train teachers in resources that are aligned to the MAFS	Boone, Sheila	8/17/2015	Agendas and sign in sheets	6/2/2016 every-3-weeks
G1.B1.S1.A3	Aligning standards and test item specs to curriculum across grade levels	Coletto, Stephanie	8/17/2015	Discussion and Planning at LTM Meetings	6/2/2016 monthly
G1.B1.S1.A4	Utilizing the Units of Study to teach writing across the curriculum	Coletto, Stephanie	8/17/2015	Through classroom walkthroughs	6/2/2016 monthly
G1.B1.S1.A5	Aligning Science standards across grade levels and infusing science into literacy and math	Coletto, Stephanie	8/17/2015	Performance matters, FSQ and USA assessments and other informal assessments	6/2/2016 quarterly
G1.MA1	FSQs and USA assessments	Coletto, Stephanie	8/17/2015	Performance Matters data reports	6/2/2016 every-3-weeks
G1.B1.S1.MA1	iObservation and classroom walkthrough	Coletto, Stephanie	8/17/2015	RRR, data from Performance Matters, data from Diagnostic testing, Lesson Plans	6/2/2016 every-3-weeks
G1.B1.S1.MA1	Agendas, sign in sheets, and LTM data	Coletto, Stephanie	8/17/2015	RRR, data from Performance Matters, data from Diagnostic testing, Lesson Plans	6/2/2016 every-3-weeks
G1.B1.S2.MA1	Through observation of classroom instruction and through data chats.	Coletto, Stephanie	8/17/2015	Through FSQ and USA assessments and student artifacts.	6/2/2016 semiannually
G1.B1.S2.MA1	Administration is working with LTF to and PD contact to plan PD.	Coletto, Stephanie	8/17/2015	Sign in sheets and agendas	6/2/2016 quarterly

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. If we increase rigor in instruction, then student proficiency will improve.

G1.B1 Understanding how to get to rigor

G1.B1.S1 Train teachers in the use of resources

PD Opportunity 1

Train teachers in the use of the Continuum of Literacy to drive instruction.

Facilitator

Millie Strickroot and Sheila Boone

Participants

Reading Teachers

Schedule

Every 3 Weeks, from 8/17/2015 to 6/2/2016

PD Opportunity 2

Train teachers in resources that are aligned to the MAFS

Facilitator

Millie Strickroot and Sheila Boone

Participants

Math Teachers

Schedule

Every 3 Weeks, from 8/17/2015 to 6/2/2016

PD Opportunity 3

Aligning standards and test item specs to curriculum across grade levels

Facilitator

Mitzi Taylor-Young

Participants

All staff

Schedule

Monthly, from 8/17/2015 to 6/2/2016

G1.B1.S2 Train teacher in the Marzano seven elements that lead to rigor

PD Opportunity 1

Through professional development at faculty meetings and in our LTM meetings.

Facilitator

Stephanie Coletto and Millie Strickroot

Participants

Classroom Teachers

Schedule

Monthly, from 8/17/2015 to 6/2/2016

Technical Assistance Items

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

Budget

Budget Data			
1	G1.B1.S1.A1	Train teachers in the use of the Continuum of Literacy to drive instruction.	\$0.00
2	G1.B1.S1.A2	Train teachers in resources that are aligned to the MAFS	\$0.00
3	G1.B1.S1.A3	Aligning standards and test item specs to curriculum across grade levels	\$0.00
4	G1.B1.S1.A4	Utilizing the Units of Study to teach writing across the curriculum	\$0.00
5	G1.B1.S1.A5	Aligning Science standards across grade levels and infusing science into literacy and math	\$0.00
6	G1.B1.S2.A1	Through professional development at faculty meetings and in our LTM meetings.	\$0.00
			Total: \$0.00