## Duval County Public Schools <br> Highlands Middle School



## 2018-19 Schoolwide Improvement Plan

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## Highlands Middle School

http://www.duvalschools.org/hms

## School Demographics

School Type and Grades Served (per MSID File)<br>Middle School<br>> 6-8<br>\section*{2017-18 Title I School}<br>Yes<br>\section*{Charter School}<br>No<br>2017-18 Economically Disadvantaged (FRL) Rate (as reported on Survey 3)<br>100\%<br>Primary Service Type (per MSID File)<br>K-12 General Education

School Grades History

| Year | $2017-18$ | $2016-17$ | $2015-16$ | $2014-15$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Grade | D | C | D | $\mathrm{F}^{*}$ |

## School Board Approval

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

## SIP Authority

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 that has a school grade of $D$ or F .

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 noncharter schools with a current grade of $D$ or $F$ (see page 4). For schools receiving a grade of $A, B$, or $C$, the district may opt to require a SIP using a template of its choosing. This document was prepared by school and district leadership using the FDOE's school improvement planning web application located at https://www.floridaCIMS.org.

## 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. 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: School Information

## School Mission and Vision

## Provide the school's mission statement.

The mission of Highlands Middle School is to provide an environment that fosters academic excellence, accountability, inspires future leaders, and supports the development of their social and emotional well being.

Provide the school's vision statement.
Every student is prepared for success through rigorous instruction, effective discipline and meaningful activities that foster collaboration and instill pride in self, school and community.

## School Leadership Team

## Membership

Identify the name, email address and position title for each member of the school leadership team.:

|  | Name | Title |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Sales, Jessica | Principal |  |
| Porter, Janelle | Assistant Principal |  |
| Taft, Donald | Dean |  |
| Harvey, Latisha | Assistant Principal |  |
| Eichelberger, Tameka | Instructional Coach |  |
| Thomas, Tangelar | Instructional Coach |  |
| McLaurin, Tiaerra | Dean |  |
| Nelson, Chauncey | School Counselor |  |

## Duties

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

Administrators (Jessica Guthrie, Janelle Porter, and Latisha Harvey) provide a common vision for the use of data-based analysis and instruction, ensure the school-based team is implementing and monitoring MTSS, conduct assessments and ensure implementation of intervention support and documentation, collaborate in the design and delivery of professional development, communicate with parents and the community regarding school-based MTSS plans and activities, and create opportunities to celebrate successes.

Department Chairs (ELA/Reading/Math/Social Studies/Science): Department Chairs Michelle Daye, Katrina Hendon, Jamie Howard and Melina Hogue lead classroom teachers to begin intentional responses when reflecting on student performance, behavior, and attendance. Emphasis is on supporting collaboration with colleagues to constantly evaluate and review students' performances, providing curriculum instruction for students that include reflective practices, analyzing student data, and implementing instruction and intentional intense interventions for Tier 1, Tier 2, and Tier 3.

Exceptional Student Education (ESE) Support Facilitators:(Eshell Sampson,Theresa Cornelious, George Williams, and Leteia Schwander) Leads teacher support in the implementation of Tiered
instruction for students with disabilities; develops Tier 3 intervention and supports content area teachers in the implementation intervention; helps teachers initiate and design instruction for students who show low content area skills or lack of progress over time.

Instructional Coaches (Reading, Math and Science): Instructional Coaches, Tangelar Thomas and Tameka Eichelberger, serve as liaisons between teachers, students, and parents; support targeted instruction and monitor implementation; model teaching and reflective practices for all school-based educators; collect and analyze data; design and deliver professional development.

School Counselors: (Chauncey Nelson and Janerica Delice) Provide direct contributions/ presentations to teachers in order to address students' behaviors and ways to help teachers and students manage distractions that hinder the learning environment; participates to work proactively to respond to individual students' social/emotional behaviors, academic deficiencies, attendance, and overall student performance. In addition to providing interventions, counselors link child-serving and community agencies to the school and families to support students' academic, emotional, behavioral, and social success. School counselors provide Early Warning Signs training to faculty and staff to build awareness of potentially problematic behaviors.

Deans of Discipline (Donald Taft and Tiaerra McLaurin) provides positive behavior supports and interventions that focus on keeping students in class and school. He assists with the implementation of CHAMPS, PBIS and Foundations to create a safe and civil learning environment.

## Early Warning Systems

Year 2017-18
The number of students by grade level that exhibit each early warning indicator:

| Indicator | $\mathbf{K}$ | $\mathbf{1}$ | $\mathbf{2}$ | $\mathbf{3}$ | $\mathbf{4}$ | $\mathbf{5}$ | $\mathbf{6}$ | $\mathbf{7}$ | $\mathbf{8}$ | $\mathbf{9}$ | $\mathbf{1 0}$ | $\mathbf{1 1}$ | $\mathbf{1 2}$ | Total |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Attendance below 90 percent | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |  |
| One or more suspensions | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |  |
| Course failure in ELA or Math | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |  |
| Level 1 on statewide assessment | 0 | 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 | K | $\mathbf{1}$ | $\mathbf{2}$ | $\mathbf{3}$ | $\mathbf{4}$ | $\mathbf{5}$ | $\mathbf{6}$ | $\mathbf{7}$ | $\mathbf{8}$ | $\mathbf{9}$ | $\mathbf{1 0}$ | $\mathbf{1 1}$ | $\mathbf{1 2}$ |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | Total

The number of students identified as retainees:

|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Indicator | K | $\mathbf{1}$ | $\mathbf{2}$ | $\mathbf{3}$ | $\mathbf{4}$ | $\mathbf{5}$ | $\mathbf{6}$ | $\mathbf{7}$ | $\mathbf{8}$ | $\mathbf{9}$ | $\mathbf{1 0}$ | $\mathbf{1 1}$ | $\mathbf{1 2}$ | Total |
| Retained Students: Current Year | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |  |
| Retained Students: Previous Year(s) | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |  |

Date this data was collected
Monday 7/16/2018
Year 2016-17 - As Reported
The number of students by grade level that exhibit each early warning indicator:

| Indicator | K | $\mathbf{1}$ | $\mathbf{2}$ | $\mathbf{3}$ | $\mathbf{4}$ | $\mathbf{5}$ | $\mathbf{6}$ | $\mathbf{7}$ | $\mathbf{8}$ | $\mathbf{9}$ | $\mathbf{1 0}$ | $\mathbf{1 1}$ | $\mathbf{1 2}$ | Total |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Attendance below 90 percent | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 14 | 15 | 16 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 45 |
| One or more suspensions | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 103 | 78 | 63 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 244 |
| Course failure in ELA or Math | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 15 | 27 | 20 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 62 |
| Level 1 on statewide assessment | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 98 | 138 | 138 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 374 |

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

| Indicator | K | $\mathbf{1}$ | $\mathbf{2}$ | $\mathbf{3}$ | $\mathbf{4}$ | $\mathbf{5}$ | $\mathbf{6}$ | $\mathbf{7}$ | $\mathbf{8}$ | $\mathbf{9}$ | $\mathbf{1 0}$ | $\mathbf{1 1}$ | $\mathbf{1 2}$ | Total |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Students exhibiting two or more indicators | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 14 | 15 | 16 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 45 |

Year 2016-17 - Updated
The number of students by grade level that exhibit each early warning indicator:

| Indicator | K | $\mathbf{1}$ | $\mathbf{2}$ | $\mathbf{3}$ | $\mathbf{4}$ | $\mathbf{5}$ | $\mathbf{6}$ | $\mathbf{7}$ | $\mathbf{8}$ | $\mathbf{9}$ | $\mathbf{1 0}$ | $\mathbf{1 1}$ | $\mathbf{1 2}$ | Total |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Attendance below 90 percent | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 14 | 15 | 16 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 45 |
| One or more suspensions | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 103 | 78 | 63 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 244 |
| Course failure in ELA or Math | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 15 | 27 | 20 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 62 |
| Level 1 on statewide assessment | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 98 | 138 | 138 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 374 |

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

| Indicator | K | $\mathbf{1}$ | $\mathbf{2}$ | $\mathbf{3}$ | $\mathbf{4}$ | $\mathbf{5}$ | $\mathbf{6}$ | $\mathbf{7}$ | $\mathbf{8}$ | $\mathbf{9}$ | $\mathbf{1 0}$ | $\mathbf{1 1}$ | $\mathbf{1 2}$ | Total |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Students exhibiting two or more indicators | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 14 | 15 | 16 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 45 |

## Part II: Needs Assessment/Analysis

## Assessment \& Analysis

Consider the following reflection prompts as you examine any/all relevant school data sources, including those in CIMS in the pages that follow.

Which data component performed the lowest? Is this a trend?
Student proficiency levels in Reading, Math and Science were the lowest data components for the year. This has been a historic trend for Highlands MS.

Which data component showed the greatest decline from prior year?
Math Learning Gains showed the greatest decline from the prior year.
Which data component had the biggest gap when compared to the state average?
Reading and Math Proficiency both have a 29\% gap when compared to the state average.
Which data component showed the most improvement? Is this a trend?
Social Studies showed a $25 \%$ improvement from the prior year, and is currently $4 \%$ above the state average. This has not been a trend for Highlands in prior years.

## Describe the actions or changes that led to the improvement in this area.

Social Studies showed improvement due to the following actions:
Scheduling students with lower reading scores into Law Studies to provide more access to Civics curriculum concepts before being scheduled into the Civics course.
More intensive data tracking and remediation for the students scheduled into Civics.

## School Data

Please note that the district and state averages shown here represent the averages for similar school types (elementary, middle, high school, or combination schools).

| School Grade Component |  | $\mathbf{2 0 1 8}$ |  |  | $\mathbf{2 0 1 7}$ |  |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | School | District | State | School | District | State |  |
| ELA Achievement | $24 \%$ | $42 \%$ | $53 \%$ | $28 \%$ | $42 \%$ | $52 \%$ |  |
| ELA Learning Gains | $36 \%$ | $47 \%$ | $54 \%$ | $44 \%$ | $48 \%$ | $53 \%$ |  |
| ELA Lowest 25th Percentile | $39 \%$ | $44 \%$ | $47 \%$ | $48 \%$ | $44 \%$ | $45 \%$ |  |
| Math Achievement | $29 \%$ | $46 \%$ | $58 \%$ | $31 \%$ | $43 \%$ | $55 \%$ |  |
| Math Learning Gains | $38 \%$ | $50 \%$ | $57 \%$ | $45 \%$ | $49 \%$ | $55 \%$ |  |
| Math Lowest 25th Percentile | $35 \%$ | $47 \%$ | $51 \%$ | $44 \%$ | $45 \%$ | $47 \%$ |  |
| Science Achievement | $26 \%$ | $45 \%$ | $52 \%$ | $29 \%$ | $42 \%$ | $50 \%$ |  |
| Social Studies Achievement | $76 \%$ | $82 \%$ | $72 \%$ | $52 \%$ | $59 \%$ | $67 \%$ |  |


| EWS Indicators as Input Earlier in the Survey |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Indicator |  |  |  |  |  | Grade Level (prior year reported) | Total |
|  | $\mathbf{6}$ | $\mathbf{7}$ | $\mathbf{8}$ |  |  |  |  |
| Attendance below 90 percent | $0(14)$ | $0(15)$ | $0(16)$ | $0(45)$ |  |  |  |
| One or more suspensions | $0(103)$ | $0(78)$ | $0(63)$ | $0(244)$ |  |  |  |
| Course failure in ELA or Math | $0(15)$ | $0(27)$ | $0(20)$ | $0(62)$ |  |  |  |
| Level 1 on statewide assessment | $0(98)$ | $0(138)$ | $0(138)$ | $0(374)$ |  |  |  |

## Grade Level Data

NOTE: This data is raw data and includes ALL students who tested at the school. This is not school grade data.

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| ELA |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Grade | Year | School | District | School- District Comparison | State | School- State Comparison |
| 06 | 2018 | 28\% | 44\% | -16\% | 52\% | -24\% |
|  | 2017 | 24\% | 43\% | -19\% | 52\% | -28\% |
| Same Grade Comparison |  | 4\% |  |  |  |  |
| Cohort Comparison |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 07 | 2018 | 16\% | 41\% | -25\% | 51\% | -35\% |
|  | 2017 | 29\% | 44\% | -15\% | 52\% | -23\% |
| Same Grade Comparison |  | -13\% |  |  |  |  |
| Cohort Comparison |  | -8\% |  |  |  |  |
| 08 | 2018 | 27\% | 51\% | -24\% | 58\% | -31\% |
|  | 2017 | 30\% | 50\% | -20\% | 55\% | -25\% |
| Same Grade Comparison |  | -3\% |  |  |  |  |
| Cohort Comparison |  | -2\% |  |  |  |  |



| SCIENCE |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Grade | Year | School | District | School- <br> District <br> Comparison | State | School- <br> State <br> Comparison |
| 08 | 2018 | $26 \%$ | $44 \%$ | $-18 \%$ | $50 \%$ | $-24 \%$ |
|  | 2017 |  |  |  |  |  |
| Cohort Comparison |  |  |  |  |  |  |


| BIOLOGY EOC |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Year | School | District | School <br> Minus <br> District | State | School <br> Minus <br> State |  |
| 2018 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 2017 |  |  |  |  |  |  |


| CIVICS EOC |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Year | School | District | School Minus District | State | School Minus State |
| 2018 | 84\% | 84\% | 0\% | 71\% | 13\% |
| 2017 | 51\% | 65\% | -14\% | 69\% | -18\% |
| Compare |  | 33\% |  |  |  |
| HISTORY EOC |  |  |  |  |  |
| Year | School | District | School Minus District | State | School Minus State |
| 2018 |  |  |  |  |  |
| 2017 |  |  |  |  |  |
| ALGEBRA EOC |  |  |  |  |  |
| Year | School | District | School Minus District | State | School Minus State |
| 2018 | 91\% | 61\% | 30\% | 62\% | 29\% |
| 2017 | 93\% | 70\% | 23\% | 60\% | 33\% |
| Compare |  | -2\% |  |  |  |
| GEOMETRY EOC |  |  |  |  |  |
| Year | School | District | School Minus District | State | School Minus State |
| 2018 |  |  |  |  |  |
| 2017 |  |  |  |  |  |

## Subgroup Data

2018 SCHOOL GRADE COMPONENTS BY SUBGROUPS

| 2018 SCHOOL GRADE COMPONENTS BY SUBGROUPS |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Subgroups | ELA <br> Ach. | $\begin{gathered} \text { ELA } \\ \text { LG } \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { ELA } \\ & \text { LG } \\ & \text { L25\% } \end{aligned}$ | Math Ach. | Math LG | $\begin{gathered} \text { Math } \\ \text { LG } \\ \text { L25\% } \end{gathered}$ | Sci Ach. | $\begin{gathered} \text { SS } \\ \text { Ach. } \end{gathered}$ | MS Accel. |  | $\begin{array}{\|c\|} \hline \text { C \& C } \\ \text { Accel } \\ 2016-17 \end{array}$ |
| SWD | 12 | 29 | 32 | 15 | 27 | 18 | 10 |  |  |  |  |
| ELL | 20 | 42 |  | 30 | 50 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| BLK | 22 | 35 | 41 | 27 | 36 | 35 | 23 | 73 | 55 |  |  |
| HSP | 48 | 54 |  | 48 | 56 |  |  |  | 45 |  |  |
| MUL | 48 | 35 |  | 43 | 45 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| WHT | 28 | 38 | 33 | 34 | 48 | 40 | 35 |  | 55 |  |  |
| FRL | 22 | 35 | 39 | 27 | 36 | 36 | 24 | 71 | 79 |  |  |
| 2017 SCHOOL GRADE COMPONENTS BY SUBGROUPS |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Subgroups | ELA <br> Ach. | $\begin{gathered} \text { ELA } \\ \text { LG } \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { ELA } \\ \text { LG } \\ \text { L25\% } \end{gathered}$ | Math Ach. | Math LG | $\begin{gathered} \text { Math } \\ \text { LG } \\ \text { L25\% } \end{gathered}$ | Sci Ach. | $\begin{gathered} \text { SS } \\ \text { Ach. } \end{gathered}$ | MS Accel. | $\begin{array}{\|c\|} \hline \text { Grad } \\ \text { Rate } \\ 2015-16 \\ \hline \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{\|c\|} \hline \text { C \& C } \\ \text { Accel } \\ 2015-16 \end{array}$ |
| SWD | 10 | 26 | 27 | 13 | 36 | 31 | 20 | 28 |  |  |  |
| ELL | 18 |  |  | 9 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| BLK | 24 | 37 | 33 | 31 | 46 | 39 | 30 | 48 | 83 |  |  |
| HSP | 59 | 72 |  | 48 | 63 |  | 65 |  |  |  |  |
| MUL | 44 | 53 |  | 50 | 63 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| WHT | 37 | 51 | 38 | 40 | 48 | 53 | 42 | 62 |  |  |  |
| FRL | 26 | 40 | 36 | 31 | 45 | 36 | 33 | 49 | 83 |  |  |

## Part III: Planning for Improvement

Develop specific plans for addressing the school's highest-priority needs by identifying the most important areas of focus based on any/all relevant school data sources, including the data from Section II (Needs Assessment/Analysis).

Areas of Focus:
$\left.\begin{array}{ll}\hline \text { Activity \#1 } & \\ \hline \text { Title } & \begin{array}{l}\text { ELA Achievement } \\ \text { Rationale }\end{array} \\ \hline\end{array} \begin{array}{l}\text { The overall level of proficiency is currently 24\% in comparison to the state's average of } \\ \text { 53\% School has demonstrated a 3\% decrease in overall proficiency from } 2017 \text { to } \\ \text { 2018. Reading proficiency decreased in every grade level during the } 2018 \text { school year. }\end{array}\right\}$

## Activity \#2

## Title Math Achievement

The overall level of proficiency is currently $29 \%$ in comparison to the state's average of
Rationale $58 \%$. The school has demonstrated a 4\% decrease in overall proficiency from 2017 to 2018. Math proficiency decreased in every grade level during the 2018 school year.

| Intended <br> Outcome | The goal is to increase proficiency to trend more closely to the district and state's current <br> level of demonstrated proficiency levels per grade level band. This will require a gain of <br> approximately $10 \%$ school-wide. |
| :--- | :--- |
| Point <br> Person | Jessica Sales (salesj@duvalschools.org) |
| Action Step |  |

*Utilize Math coach to provide targeted Professional Development for Math Teachers to address small group and differentiated instructional practices through the use of the Mathematics Framework, curriculum and supplemental resources.
*Utilize Math Interventionist to provide small group instruction for level 1 students that need to demonstrate learning gains and/or move to proficiency that were not double blocked into Intensive Math courses due to Master Scheduling constraints.
*Schedule level 1 and 2 students into Intensive Mathematics as a supplement to their core
Description Mathematics classes. These students will be double blocked into Intensive Math courses as our school's master schedule permits.
*After-school/and or Saturday School focused on Math tutoring will be organized from OctFeb to provide Tier 3 support to level 1 and 2 students who are able to register for after school support sessions.
*Utilize Math coach to provide targeted Professional Development for Math Teachers to address small group instructional practices and use of resources (i.e. student data, i-ready Teacher Toolkit, etc) to support implementation of small group remediation.

## Person

## Responsible

Jessica Sales (salesj@duvalschools.org)

## Plan to Monitor Effectiveness

* Monthly review of student growth via district i-Ready, Module, Mid-Module and teachercreated Unit exams.
*Weekly review of student performance on exit tickets, unit, and District Assessments in PLC meetings to drive instruction
*Weekly Teacher/Student data chats and goal setting sessions to increase student efficacy and ownership
Description *Monthly Teacher/Administrative data chats to increase teacher efficacy and make necessary shifts to academic focus based on student needs
*Weekly Administrative observations of instructional practices in classrooms
*Implementation of Acaletics for support with math instruction during Math and Intensive Math classes will be utilized to support math fluency of our students. Acaletics trainers will provide Professional Development for all Math teachers, our Math coach and Math administrator.
Person
Responsible Jessica Sales (salesj@duvalschools.org)


## Activity \#3

| Title | Science Achievement |
| :---: | :---: |
| Rationale | The overall level of proficiency is currently $26 \%$ in comparison to the state's average of $52 \%$. The school has demonstrated a $8 \%$ decrease in overall proficiency from 2017 to 2018. Reading proficiency decreased in every grade level during the 2018 school year. |
| Intended Outcome | The goal is to increase proficiency to trend more closely to the district and state's current level of demonstrated proficiency levels per grade level band. This will require a gain of approximately $10 \%$ school-wide. |
| Point Person | Janelle Porter (porterj@duvalschools.org) |
| Action Step |  |
| Description | *Utilize shared Science specialist to provide targeted Professional Development for 8th grade Science Teachers to address small group and differentiated instructional practices through the use of the Science Framework, curriculum and supplemental resources. *Implement Study Island as a structured component of our 8th grade Science curriculum to ensure student access to blended learning resources aligned to grade level text and activities. This will also include virtual Professional Development and webinars for 8th grade Science teachers throughout the course of the year facilitated by Study Island trainers. <br> *Utilize shared Science specialist to provide small group instruction for target students that need to demonstrate proficiency. <br> *After-school/and or Saturday School focused on Science tutoring will be organized from Oct-Feb to provide Tier 3 support to target students who are able to register for after school support sessions. |
| Person Responsible | Janelle Porter (porterj@duvalschools.org) |
| Plan to Monit | Effectiveness |
| Description | *Monthly review of student academic growth via Study Island data reports <br> *Weekly review of student performance on Unit and District Assessments in PLC meetings to drive instruction <br> *Weekly Teacher/Student data chats and goal setting sessions to increase student efficacy and ownership <br> *Monthly Teacher/Administrative data chats to increase teacher efficacy and make necessary shifts to academic focus based on student needs <br> *Weekly Administrative observations of instructional practices in classrooms |
| Person <br> Responsible | Janelle Porter (porterj@duvalschools.org) |

## Activity \#4

| Title | Civics Achievement <br> The overall level of proficiency is currently 76\% in comparison to the state's average of <br> $74 \%$. The school has demonstrated a $25 \%$ increase in overall proficiency from 2017 to <br> 2018. The rationale for including Civics as an area of improvement is to ensure that we <br> maintain our proficiency levels for the year. |
| :--- | :--- |
| Rationale | Intended <br> Outcome |
| The goal is to maintain proficiency as demonstrated during the 2017 school term. <br> Person | Janelle Porter (porterj@duvalschools.org) |

## Activity \#5

| Title | Developing Teachers and Instructional Support Staff <br> Through a shared school approach, defined by school population, size, and content data <br> needs analysis, hire an additional assistant principal with a primary focus on providing <br> additional coaching support to content area teachers of students who are in a state <br> assessed grade and/or course. |
| :--- | :--- |
| Rationale |  | | Intended | Supporting and helping to develop highly effective teachers that will invest in increased <br> Outcome <br> student achievement in all subject areas and the school improving. |
| :--- | :--- |
| Point | Jessica Sales (salesj@duvalschools.org) |
| Person | o Provide additional/supplemental leadership Instructional support focused on increasing <br> student achievement and closing the achievement gap in tested grades; <br> o Serves as Assistant Principal of grade level ELA, Math, and Science learning <br> communities; <br> o Monitor the success of all students in the learning environment; ensure alignment of the <br> curriculum, instruction, and assessment processes to promote effective student |
| performance; and support the effective use of benchmarks, learning, and expectations |  |
| feedback measures to instructional staff to ensure accountability for all participants |  |
| engaged in the educational process. |  |
| o Support and promote a positive learning culture; provide support and framework for |  |
| effective standards based instructional program delivery; and coaching instructional staff in |  |
| the application of best practices for increasing student learning, especially in the area of |  |
| reading, mathematics, and other foundational skills. |  |

## Part IV: Title I Requirements

## Additional Title I Requirements

This section must be completed if the school is implementing a Title I, Part A schoolwide program and opts to use the Pilot SIP to satisfy the requirements of the schoolwide program plan, as outlined in the Every Student Succeeds Act, Public Law No. 114-95, Â§ 1114(b). This section is not required for non-Title I schools.

Describe how the school plans to build positive relationships with parents, families, and other community stakeholders to fulfill the school's mission and support the needs of students.

Increase parental access to meaningful educational information;
Provide various strategies to help support parents at home;
Increase parent/community awareness and involvement regarding the events/activities at HMS; students have a greater opportunity to be successful when there are more stakeholders involved in their
educational experiences
Increase parent and student understanding about the graduation requirements for high school;

## PFEP Link

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

The school's counseling department is staffed with highly qualified counselors trained to meet the needs of students. Highlands Middle has partnered with a variety of community organizations that are housed within the building for immediate accessibility to students. These programs include: Achievers For Life, Big Brother/Big Sisters, Communities In Schools,Jewish Family Services, City Year (Americorps), school Psychologist, and a full time Behavioral Specialist. All of these individuals also serve as mentors for students.
Additionally, we are utilizing an MTSS tracking system to monitor interventions utilized by our admin team to ensure an appropriate response to misbehaviors is utilized to begin to deter infractions to the Code of Conduct and disruptions to the school day.

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

For our outgoing cohorts, we host an annual Transition to High School Showcase in January. This showcase provides students and parents the opportunity to speak with representatives from various high schools that are looking to recruit 9th grade students from our school. Students receive information regarding each school's program in time to submit any School Choice documents prior to district deadlines.
For our incoming cohorts, both school counselors travel to various 5th grade Parent Night events to showcase our school programs and encourage parents and students to attend our school tours that are hosted in January and February. We also invite our feeder schools for a Rising 6th Grade tour of Highlands so that they have the opportunity to walk the halls of their future school and ask questions about what we have to offer them.

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.

A variety of data sources are utilized to determine students' academic and behavioral needs. In academic areas, assessments and data sources include Achieve 3000, IReady, Florida State Assessments, and student portfolios including self assessments and reflections. The results of these assessments are obtained through Performance Matters. With regard to behavior, data is obtained from Focus. Based on data, students will be identified for interventions and scheduled appropriately. The effectiveness of core instruction will be assessed through coaching cycles with academic coaches and observations by administrators. In order to determine resource allocation, student data is examined to determine the number of sections and teachers needed for intervention courses (enrichment reading and enrichment math). Teacher support systems include common planning, mentoring for early-career teachers, and the coaching cycle with academic and district coaches. Small group and individual needs are addressed through individual data chats, working with the reading interventionist, and individual and small group academic counseling/advising with school counselors.

In compliance with IDEA, Exceptional Education teachers will provide assistance to the parents of
students with disabilities based on the specified needs in their IEP or 504 plan.
The school will host Parent Reading Nights. Parents will be contacted and invited to attend. These meetings will be designed to give parents tools/strategies they can use at home to help their children study.

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

At the 6th, 7th, and 8th grade level school counselors are tasked with meeting and discussing with each student about their personal, social, and career goals. These goals are then (where applicable) integrated into the students course of study. Each year these goals are revisited.

## Part V: Budget

