

Hillsborough County Public Schools

Palm River Elementary School



2018-19 Schoolwide Improvement Plan

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Palm River Elementary School

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School Demographics

School Type and Grades Served (per MSID File)	2017-18 Title I School	2017-18 Economically Disadvantaged (FRL) Rate (as reported on Survey 3)
Elementary School PK-5	Yes	96%
Primary Service Type (per MSID File)	Charter School	2018-19 Minority Rate (Reported as Non-white on Survey 2)
K-12 General Education	No	86%

School Grades History

Year	2017-18	2016-17	2015-16	2014-15
Grade	D	D	D	F*

School Board Approval

This plan is pending approval by the Hillsborough 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 non-charter 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.

Palm River Elementary students will achieve academic excellence in an environment where personalized instruction is the priority.

Provide the school's vision statement.

Panthers will show P.R.I.D.E. in all we do.

(Participation, Respect, Integrity, Determination, Excellence)

School Leadership Team

Membership

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

Name	Title
Bulmer, Frankye	Principal

Duties

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

Leadership team meetings can include the following:

Principal

Assistant Principal / ELP Coordinator

Guidance Counselor

SAC Chairs

School Psychologist/ Behavior team Representative

School Social Worker/ Attendance Committee Representative

Academic Coaches (Reading, Math, etc. and other specialists on an ad hoc basis)

ESE teachers

PLC Liaisons for each grade level and/or content area

District support (including Area Superintendents, Support Specialist, District Coaches)

The Leadership team meets regularly (e.g., bi-weekly/monthly). The purpose of the core Leadership Team is to:

1. Collaborate and problem solve to ensure the implementation of high quality instructional practices utilizing the RtI/MTSS process: at the core (Tier 1) and intervention/enrichment (Tiers 2/3) levels.
2. Support the implementation of high quality instructional practices at the core (Tier 1) and intervention/enrichment (Tiers 2/3) levels.
3. Review ongoing progress monitoring data at the core to ensure fidelity of instruction and attainment of SIP goal(s) in curricular, behavioral, and attendance domains.
4. Communicate school-wide data to PLCs and facilitate problem solving within the content/grade level teams.

A collaborative culture of shared responsibility is established through Leadership Team Meetings and PLCs.

Research consistently bears out that the school leader is the most important element in teachers choosing to go to, and then remain at, a school site. To that end, HCPS works to ensure that principals are selected and placed with great care. HCPS works to develop strong leaders through the Hillsborough Principal Pipeline. As stated above, The Hillsborough Principal Pipeline offers unique and valuable opportunities for teachers to experience and prepare for a school leadership position by helping them gain the skills, experience and confidence that are crucial to becoming a high-performing leader. Pursuing school leadership provides the opportunity to make a direct impact on school culture and positively influence instructional quality, which will result in improved outcomes and higher long-term success rates for students in Hillsborough County.

HCPS' vision for instructional improvement is to have a highly effective teacher in every classroom and a highly effective principal in every school. This vision is founded in the research-based tenet that teacher quality has a larger impact on student achievement than any other schooling factor. Further research demonstrates the impact of a principal's leadership on outcomes for students and teachers. Over the past decade, HCPS has developed a Human Capital Management System (HCMS) to further the district's vision of instructional improvement.

Several Teacher Interview Days and Recruitment Fairs occur throughout the summer months, under the oversight of Human Resources. All applicants must be pre-approved by the District to attend these events. Certified teachers with an Effective or Highly Effective performance evaluation, teaching in field, at our highest needs schools are eligible for salary differential. This program was established with the purpose of helping to create stability and equity in harder to staff schools, recruiting and retaining highly qualified instructional staff, increasing student achievement, and promoting a culture of ongoing professional development.

Compensation is grounded in a performance-based salary structure that explicitly ties salary increases to sustained high-level performance, while career ladder positions, such as Instructional Mentors, are available to effective educators. The base teacher salary schedule is designed to provide substantial increases in compensation to teachers who have demonstrated positive student impact.

Once hired, teacher induction and teacher retention are supported through fully-released instructional mentors assigned to every new educator for up to two years to increase effectiveness and decrease recidivism. Educator effectiveness ratings that differentiate educator quality are used to assist principals in determining teachers' transfer options and promotion into leadership positions. HCPS has linked PD opportunities to HR functions so that school-level and district-level trainings are developed and deployed in response to areas of need identified by educator evaluations. Training course completions can also be tracked by HR Partners to inform human capital decisions.

Early Warning Systems

Year 2017-18

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

Indicator	Grade Level													Total
	K	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	
Attendance below 90 percent	3	19	14	16	19	18	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	89
One or more suspensions	0	2	3	1	4	6	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	16
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	3	34	42	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	79

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	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	
Students exhibiting two or more indicators	0	1	1	2	14	10	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	28

The number of students identified as retainees:

Indicator	Grade Level													Total
	K	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	
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

Thursday 8/9/2018

Year 2016-17 - As Reported

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

Indicator	Grade Level													Total
	K	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	
Attendance below 90 percent	7	13	15	14	11	13	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	73
One or more suspensions	0	0	1	5	5	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	14
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	5	45	43	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	93

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	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	
Students exhibiting two or more indicators	0	0	0	3	12	6	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	21

Year 2016-17 - Updated

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

Indicator	Grade Level													Total
	K	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	
Attendance below 90 percent	7	13	15	14	11	13	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	73
One or more suspensions	0	0	1	5	5	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	14
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	5	45	43	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	93

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Indicator	Grade Level													Total
	K	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	
Students exhibiting two or more indicators	0	0	0	3	12	6	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	21

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?

29% of students made gains in ELA. In 16-17 45% of students made gains in ELA suggesting there are inconsistencies in this component.

Which data component showed the greatest decline from prior year?

A 16% decrease was noted in bottom quartile reading.

Which data component had the biggest gap when compared to the state average?

Our Math achievement scores are 30% lower than the state average.

Which data component showed the most improvement? Is this a trend?

Science improved the most with an 8 point gain. This data was previously at 34% and thus this data is inconsistent.

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

Students with high reading proficiency were targeted for Science support. 5th grade teachers who instructed science during 17-18 had a higher level of content knowledge than in prior years.

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	2018			2017		
	School	District	State	School	District	State
ELA Achievement	31%	52%	56%	27%	48%	52%
ELA Learning Gains	41%	52%	55%	39%	49%	52%

School Grade Component	2018			2017		
	School	District	State	School	District	State
ELA Lowest 25th Percentile	29%	46%	48%	24%	44%	46%
Math Achievement	32%	55%	62%	30%	52%	58%
Math Learning Gains	39%	57%	59%	39%	53%	58%
Math Lowest 25th Percentile	41%	44%	47%	43%	43%	46%
Science Achievement	31%	51%	55%	34%	51%	51%

EWS Indicators as Input Earlier in the Survey

Indicator	Grade Level (prior year reported)						Total
	K	1	2	3	4	5	
Attendance below 90 percent	3 (7)	19 (13)	14 (15)	16 (14)	19 (11)	18 (13)	89 (73)
One or more suspensions	0 (0)	2 (0)	3 (1)	1 (5)	4 (5)	6 (3)	16 (14)
Course failure in ELA or Math	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)
Level 1 on statewide assessment	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)	3 (5)	34 (45)	42 (43)	79 (93)

Grade Level Data

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

ELA						
Grade	Year	School	District	School-District Comparison	State	School-State Comparison
03	2018	35%	53%	-18%	57%	-22%
	2017	33%	56%	-23%	58%	-25%
Same Grade Comparison		2%				
Cohort Comparison						
04	2018	32%	55%	-23%	56%	-24%
	2017	32%	54%	-22%	56%	-24%
Same Grade Comparison		0%				
Cohort Comparison		-1%				
05	2018	29%	51%	-22%	55%	-26%
	2017	30%	52%	-22%	53%	-23%
Same Grade Comparison		-1%				
Cohort Comparison		-3%				

MATH						
Grade	Year	School	District	School-District Comparison	State	School-State Comparison
03	2018	35%	55%	-20%	62%	-27%
	2017	35%	54%	-19%	62%	-27%
Same Grade Comparison		0%				
Cohort Comparison						
04	2018	30%	57%	-27%	62%	-32%
	2017	30%	56%	-26%	64%	-34%

MATH						
Grade	Year	School	District	School-District Comparison	State	School-State Comparison
Same Grade Comparison		0%				
Cohort Comparison		-5%				
05	2018	26%	54%	-28%	61%	-35%
	2017	28%	53%	-25%	57%	-29%
Same Grade Comparison		-2%				
Cohort Comparison		-4%				

SCIENCE						
Grade	Year	School	District	School-District Comparison	State	School-State Comparison
05	2018	30%	52%	-22%	55%	-25%
	2017					
Cohort Comparison						

Subgroup Data

2018 SCHOOL GRADE COMPONENTS BY SUBGROUPS											
Subgroups	ELA Ach.	ELA LG	ELA LG L25%	Math Ach.	Math LG	Math LG L25%	Sci Ach.	SS Ach.	MS Accel.	Grad Rate 2016-17	C & C Accel 2016-17
SWD	20	45	33	26	38	46	35				
ELL	27	29	14	31	43	67	19				
BLK	24	38	47	30	36	26	22				
HSP	37	43	11	36	49	56	38				
MUL	10										
WHT	46	47		38	29		40				
FRL	31	41	29	32	39	40	30				
2017 SCHOOL GRADE COMPONENTS BY SUBGROUPS											
Subgroups	ELA Ach.	ELA LG	ELA LG L25%	Math Ach.	Math LG	Math LG L25%	Sci Ach.	SS Ach.	MS Accel.	Grad Rate 2015-16	C & C Accel 2015-16
SWD	11	26	39	13	30	54	6				
ELL	21	35		34	38	40	12				
BLK	26	46	45	22	32	50	19				
HSP	35	38		40	36	30	29				
WHT	36	63		35	52						
FRL	32	44	46	32	37	49	24				

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:

Activity #1

Title Standards Based Task Alignment and Assessment

Rationale At Palm River Elementary 29% of our BQ students made gains in ELA, and 41% of our BQ students made gains in Mathematics.

Intended Outcome 55% of our BQ students will make learning gains in ELA, and 60% of our BQ students will make learning gains in Mathematics.

Point Person Frankye Bulmer (frankye.bulmer@sdhc.k12.fl.us)

Action Step

Description

1. Teachers will receive PD on task alignment from leadership team, including content coaches.
2. Teachers will participate in the PLC process utilizing a student work protocol to align tasks, supported by content coaches.
3. Teachers will engage in progress monitoring and data chats with content coaches to determine effectiveness of task alignment.
4. Students will be assigned appropriate tiered interventions using a variety of resources materials and technology

Person Responsible Frankye Bulmer (frankye.bulmer@sdhc.k12.fl.us)

Plan to Monitor Effectiveness

Description iReady, district formative assessments, walkthroughs, common assessments, PLC notes

Person Responsible Frankye Bulmer (frankye.bulmer@sdhc.k12.fl.us)

Activity #2	
Title	Student Attendance
Rationale	The percentage of students with 90% attendance or higher was below 85% for each quarter in the 2017-2018 school year.
Intended Outcome	Increase the number of students who have 90% or higher attendance by 5%
Point Person	Frankye Bulmer (frankye.bulmer@sdhc.k12.fl.us)
Action Step	
Description	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Teachers and administrators will receive training on district & school attendance procedures • Teachers will contact parents if child has 3 unexcused absences per quarter • Teachers will notify School Social Worker if child has 6 unexcused absences per quarter or 10 overall • School Social Worker will do home visits for more than 11 absences • School Attendance Committee will be formed • Meeting with parent will be requested • School will send home monthly attendance newsletters highlighting attendance accomplishments and discussing consequences of missing school • School Social Worker will work with families to identify and address barriers to improve school attendance
Person Responsible	Frankye Bulmer (frankye.bulmer@sdhc.k12.fl.us)
Plan to Monitor Effectiveness	
Description	% of Students at or above 90% attendance
Person Responsible	Frankye Bulmer (frankye.bulmer@sdhc.k12.fl.us)

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.

See Parent Involvement Plan

School staff, students, parents, and the community will work together to develop skills and habits for personal and academic success.

We work hard at building positive relationships with families. We encourage parents to participate in all of our events by sending home flyers, making parent link phone calls and posting everything on our website and social media. We make every effort to communicate every child's progress to the parents by sending home quarterly progress alerts and having parent teacher conferences.

PFEF Link

The school completes a Parental Involvement Plan (PFEF), 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.

Social and Emotional Learning (SEL) Program

Students are engaged in SEL programs based on their needs and within the HCPS “Building Strong School Culture” framework. This framework includes: Mission and Vision; Procedures & Routines; Promoting & Modeling Great Character; Service Learning; Student Leadership; Conflict Resolution; Mentoring; and Behavior Management Plan. In this way, SEL becomes a part of the fabric of a school’s culture.

Hillsborough County Public Schools has partnered with Frameworks of Tampa Bay to integrate SEL into all middle schools. Students will be engaged with LifeSkills training, an evidence-based program that is designed to improve social, emotional, and academic skills and strengthen relationships between students and teachers..

Behavior Management Plan

Included in the HCPS “Building Strong School Culture” framework is the need for a behavior management plan. A comprehensive behavior management plan is an important part of the social/emotional framework. It is expected that all settings will be structured for success, expectations for student behavior will be explicitly taught, students will be consistently supervised, teachers will build positive relationships with students, and that students will be corrected fluently, calmly, consistently, respectfully, briefly, and immediately.

Comprehensive behaviors plans should address a behavior support team, faculty/stakeholder commitment, school-wide expectations with a plan for teaching those expectations, effective processes for tracking and documenting behavior incidents and interventions, plan progress monitoring, location-based rules, effective reward/recognition program that includes restorative practices, and a focus on data-based decision making.

It is an expectation that behavior management plans for all DA and Achievement Schools include the 10 Critical Elements for Effective School Wide Management Plans, Restorative Practices, the use of Behavior Tracker to track minor incidences (in classroom), and a separate tool to track ALL interventions (admin/ student services). There may additionally be a need for a Behavior Intervention Team (may choose to use PSLT).

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

The School Board of each Florida district is required by state law to establish a comprehensive program for student progression that is based on an evaluation of each student’s performance including an assessment of how well the student masters the performance standards approved by the state board. The district’s program for student progression is based on mastery of the English language arts, mathematics, science, and social studies standards. (F.S. 1008.25)

The HCPS Student Progression Plan includes information on initial placement, reporting student progress, reading remediation, academic acceleration, grade promotion and retention, graduation requirements, transfer credits, student recognition, accommodations, dual enrollment, and extended learning opportunities.

For complete information, please visit our Student Progression Plan at: <http://www.sdhc.k12.fl.us/docs/00/00/21/33/studentprogressionplan.pdf>

HCPS utilizes a variety of strategies for assisting students as they transition from one school to another.

HCPS employs multiple strategies for preparing children for entry into kindergarten. Over 6,000 children participate in one of several preschool programs offered by the School District (Head Start, VPK and PreK-ESE). Developmental screenings are available for all families prior to entry into kindergarten through Child Find, a service within the Florida Diagnostic and Learning Resources System (FDLRS). Additionally, the district works closely with School Readiness providers to share information.

HCPS utilizes multiple strategies for preparing students for their next school, including transitioning from elementary to middle school, middle school to high school, or simply moving to a new school mid-year. Examples include:

- Bring 6th/9th graders back early for orientation
- Train a cadre of student ambassadors to help orient other students
- Parent information and/or education opportunities
- Hold articulation meetings between 5th and 6th grade teachers
- Campus visits
- Shadow days
- Middle school students visit, tutor and or perform at elementary schools
- High school students visit, tutor, or perform at middle schools.

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.

To ensure efficient and systematic allocation and use of resources, the school's PSLT/ILT utilizes an RtI/MTSS framework to improve learning for all. Resources allocated support a continuum of academic and behavioral supports, ensuring all students have fluid access to instruction (varying intensity levels matched to most appropriate available resources)

Analyze student outcomes and make data-driven decisions:

- What is the problem?
- Why is it occurring?
- What are we going to do about it?
- Is it working?

Assess the implementation of the SIP:

- Does the data show positive student growth?
- Are we making progress toward the SIPs intended outcomes?
- What can we do to sustain what's working?
- What barriers to implementation are we facing?
- What should be our plan of action?

Annually, schools take inventory of resource materials, staff, and funds allocated to determine necessary resource materials and personnel available to meet the needs of students. Resource maps identify gaps, ensuring resources are available and allocated for use by all.

To ensure support systems, small group, and individual needs are met, the PSLT:
Reviews school-wide assessment data on an ongoing basis in order to identify instructional needs across the school and all grade levels; Supports the implementation of high quality instructional practices during core and intervention blocks; Reviews progress monitoring data at the core to ensure fidelity of instruction and attainment of SIP goal(s) in curricular, behavioral, and attendance domains; Communicates school-wide data to PLCs and facilitate problem solving within the content/grade level teams.

The PSLT meets regularly (bi-weekly/monthly). The PSLT meeting calendar is structured around the district's assessment calendar, ensuring opportunities to review assessment outcome data and engage in the problem solving process for appropriate data-driven decisions. Team members include administrator(s), guidance counselor(s), school psychologist, ESE specialist, content area coaches/specialists, PLC liaisons, others as needed

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

HCPS strategies to advance college and career awareness include: Career interest inventory offered to students through Florida Shines; District College Nights; District Financial Aid Nights; Postsecondary representative visits at high schools; Fieldtrip opportunities for career awareness; Fieldtrip opportunities to technical colleges; and Opportunities for students to take courses within their area of interest at their high school, via virtual school, and through dual enrollment.

Part V: Budget

Total:

\$230,137.50