

Orange County Public Schools

# Chain Of Lakes Middle



## 2020-21 Schoolwide Improvement Plan

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8700 CONROY WINDERMERE RD, Orlando, FL 32835

<https://chainoflakesms.ocps.net/>

### Demographics

**Principal: Robert Walker**

Start Date for this Principal: 6/3/2014

<b>2019-20 Status</b> (per MSID File)	Active
<b>School Type and Grades Served</b> (per MSID File)	Middle School 6-8
<b>Primary Service Type</b> (per MSID File)	K-12 General Education
<b>2019-20 Title I School</b>	No
<b>2019-20 Economically Disadvantaged (FRL) Rate</b> (as reported on Survey 3)	89%
<b>2019-20 ESSA Subgroups Represented</b> (subgroups with 10 or more students) (subgroups below the federal threshold are identified with an asterisk)	Students With Disabilities* English Language Learners* Asian Students Black/African American Students* Hispanic Students Multiracial Students White Students Economically Disadvantaged Students*
<b>School Grades History</b>	2018-19: B (54%) 2017-18: C (50%) 2016-17: B (58%) 2015-16: C (51%)
<b>2019-20 School Improvement (SI) Information*</b>	
<b>SI Region</b>	Southeast
<b>Regional Executive Director</b>	<a href="#">LaShawn Russ-Porterfield</a>
<b>Turnaround Option/Cycle</b>	N/A
<b>Year</b>	
<b>Support Tier</b>	
<b>ESSA Status</b>	TS&I

\* As defined under Rule 6A-1.099811, Florida Administrative Code. For more information, [click here](#).

## School Board Approval

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

## SIP Authority

Section 1001.42(18), Florida Statutes, requires district school boards to annually approve and require implementation of a Schoolwide Improvement Plan (SIP) for each school in the district that has a school grade of D or F. This plan is also a requirement for Targeted Support and Improvement (TS&I) and Comprehensive Support and Improvement (CS&I) schools pursuant to 1008.33 F.S. and the Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA).

To be designated as TS&I, a school must have one or more ESSA subgroup(s) with a Federal Index below 41%. This plan shall be approved by the district. There are three ways a school can be designated as CS&I:

1. have a school grade of D or F
2. have a graduation rate of 67% or lower
3. have an overall Federal Index below 41%.

For these schools, the SIP shall be approved by the district as well as the Bureau of School Improvement.

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 a graduation rate 67% or less. Districts may opt to require a SIP using a template of its choosing for schools that do not fit the aforementioned conditions. This document was prepared by school and district leadership using the FDOE's school improvement planning web application located at [www.floridacims.org](http://www.floridacims.org).

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### School Demographics

School Type and Grades Served (per MSID File)	2019-20 Title I School	2019-20 Economically Disadvantaged (FRL) Rate (as reported on Survey 3)
Middle School 6-8	No	79%
Primary Service Type (per MSID File)	Charter School	2018-19 Minority Rate (Reported as Non-white on Survey 2)
K-12 General Education	No	87%

### School Grades History

Year	2019-20	2018-19	2017-18	2016-17
Grade	B	B	C	B

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## Part I: School Information

### School Mission and Vision

**Provide the school's mission statement.**

With the support of families and the community, we create enriching and diverse pathways to lead our students to success.

**Provide the school's vision statement.**

To ensure every student has a promising and successful future.

### School Leadership Team

**Membership**

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

Name	Title	Job Duties and Responsibilities
Anderson, Cheron	Principal	As the principal, Mr. Anderson facilitates essential school leadership team efforts to evaluate schoolwide progress towards improvement goals, analyze daily instructional practices, monitor student progress, and develop data-driven action plans to achieve student success. Through routine disaggregation of various data sources, Mr. Anderson provides vision and collaborative protocols for meeting the needs of the teachers and students.
Hurst, Toby	Assistant Principal	As the assistant principal of operations, Mr. Hurst works with the instructional staff to ensure that they are reaching all students through innovative, collaborative, and rigorous lessons. Working with teachers PLC's to help guide teachers to ensure that all subgroups needs are being met academically, socially, and behaviorally. As an active participant in the School Advisory Council, Mr. Hurst works with various stakeholders to help guide the school in decision making.
Slaughter, Angela	Assistant Principal	As the assistant principal of instruction, Dr. Slaughter plays an integral role in evaluating school wide programs, analyzing instructional practices and student data trends, and developing plans to maintain instructional strengths, while improving weaknesses. This is accomplished by monitoring and reviewing the implementation and effectiveness of best practice strategies in order to fully utilize the instructional framework and provide teachers and students with the highest level of support for success. Dr. Slaughter also helps to ensure that all stakeholders have the opportunity to play an active role through SAC, PTSA, and various family and community based partnerships.
Correa, Allison	Other	As the ESOL compliance specialist, Ms. Correa's duty and responsibility on the school's leadership team is to ensure compliance regulations are met in regards to the school's English language learners. This includes ensuring all testing, documentation, and services are provided for these students to be successful. As an instructional leader, Ms. Correa observes daily lessons and provides feedback and coaching assistance to classroom teachers. In addition to ensuring English language learners receive support at school, Ms. Correa assists with translation needs and organizes annual parent meetings. As a valued member of the leadership team, Ms. Correa plays an active role in making school decisions in order to provide an effective, efficient, and safe learning environment.
Coleman, Altresse	Instructional Coach	As the literacy coach, Mrs. Coleman's primary role is to work with teachers to support best practices in using data, make recommendations about potential next steps to address areas of need, and analyze school-wide trends in instruction. She takes a direct approach as an instructional leader to improve instruction and productivity by working to increase the effectiveness of ELA and Reading instruction. This includes modeling lessons, helping teachers plan instruction, and facilitating professional development. Mrs. Coleman engages stakeholders through the implementation of school and district-wide reading initiatives.



Name	Title	Job Duties and Responsibilities
Powell, Kimberly	Other	As the school's SAFE coordinator, Mrs. Powell's job is to promote a safe, orderly, and caring environment. This is accomplished by planning and implementing school wide programs to reduce school violence and engage students in appropriate behaviors and activities that promote character, and facilitate academic growth. As a member of the leadership team Mrs. Powell conducts monthly threat assessment meetings, involves parents and community as the on-site advocate, monitors student behavior, and develops intervention programs for improvement. Mrs. Powell also serves on the school crisis team, as well as the student services team, and facilitates all referrals for mental health counseling services to local agencies. Mrs. Powell routinely assists the administrative team and school resource officer with security concerns; this is accomplished by participating in professional growth opportunities, conducting restorative justice counseling sessions, and effectively managing conflict within the school setting.
Santiago Alejandro, Cassandra	Instructional Coach	As the digital coach and curriculum resource teacher, Ms. Santiago Alejandro serves as a liaison between school administration and the faculty. Ms. Santiago Alejandro guides teachers in the implementation of the standards-based and data-driven instruction through innovative means; this is accomplished by facilitating the analysis and use of local and state assessment data to inform best instructional and grouping practices. By analyzing state assessment data, Ms. Santiago Alejandro supports the school wide decisions that will positively impact student success. Ms. Santiago Alejandro also leads the school's resource, certification and development program for teachers of all content areas.
Stoner, Ashley	School Counselor	As the lead school counselor, Mrs. Stoner collaborates with teachers, parents, and staff, to help students reach their full academic potential. This is accomplished by targeting the social, emotional, and personal needs of the student body, and sharing this expertise with the leadership team through deliberate student scheduling, facilitation of classroom lessons, and the implementation of student recognition programs. Through a partnership with community agencies, school social workers, and school psychologists, Mrs. Stoner ensures access to outside resources that our students may need. As an active member of the leadership team, Mrs. Stoner informs school-based decisions that directly impact the whole child.
Wyatt, Tameka	Other	As the school staffing specialist, Mrs. Wyatt's role is to work with the faculty to ensure the school is in compliance with the ESE policies and procedures in relation to students with exceptionalities and disabilities. Mrs. Wyatt also works collaboratively with both ESE and general education teachers to ensure all students are academically successful. This is accomplished through ongoing professional learning communities, professional development, and meetings providing the most up to date federal, state and OCPS mandates.

### Demographic Information

**Principal start date**

Tuesday 6/3/2014, Robert Walker

**Number of teachers with a 2019 3-year aggregate or a 1-year Algebra state VAM rating of Highly Effective.** *Note: For UniSIG Supplemental Teacher Allocation, teachers must have at least 10 student assessments.*

1

**Number of teachers with a 2019 3-year aggregate or a 1-year Algebra state VAM rating of Effective.** *Note: For UniSIG Supplemental Teacher Allocation, teachers must have at least 10 student assessments.*

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**Total number of teacher positions allocated to the school**

70

**Demographic Data**

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<b>Year</b>	
<b>Support Tier</b>	
<b>ESSA Status</b>	TS&I
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## Early Warning Systems

### Current Year

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

Indicator	Grade Level														Total
	K	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12		
Number of students enrolled	0	0	0	0	0	0	441	386	399	0	0	0	0	1226	
Attendance below 90 percent	0	0	0	0	0	0	73	60	42	0	0	0	0	175	
One or more suspensions	0	0	0	0	0	0	19	72	62	0	0	0	0	153	
Course failure in ELA	0	0	0	0	0	0	38	133	43	0	0	0	0	214	
Course failure in Math	0	0	0	0	0	0	59	91	94	0	0	0	0	244	
Level 1 on 2019 statewide ELA assessment	0	0	0	0	0	0	105	102	84	0	0	0	0	291	
Level 1 on 2019 statewide Math assessment	0	0	0	0	0	0	106	105	80	0	0	0	0	291	

The number of students with two or more early warning indicators:

Indicator	Grade Level														Total
	K	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12		
Students with two or more indicators	0	0	0	0	0	0	105	150	105	0	0	0	0	360	

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	12	4	0	0	0	0	0	16	
Students retained two or more times	0	0	0	0	0	0	5	3	1	0	0	0	0	9	

Date this data was collected or last updated

Monday 7/20/2020

### Prior Year - 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		
Number of students enrolled	0	0	0	0	0	0	434	419	454	0	0	0	0	1307	
Attendance below 90 percent	0	0	0	0	0	0	36	71	56	0	0	0	0	163	
One or more suspensions	0	0	0	0	0	0	39	78	83	0	0	0	0	200	
Course failure in ELA or Math	0	0	0	0	0	0	132	129	103	0	0	0	0	364	
Level 1 on statewide assessment	0	0	0	0	0	0	139	170	160	0	0	0	0	469	

**The number of students with two or more early warning indicators:**

Indicator	Grade Level														Total
	K	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12		
Students with two or more indicators	0	0	0	0	0	0	95	127	109	0	0	0	0	331	

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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		
Students retained two or more times	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		

**Prior Year - Updated**

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One or more suspensions	0	0	0	0	0	0	39	78	83	0	0	0	0	200	
Course failure in ELA or Math	0	0	0	0	0	0	132	129	103	0	0	0	0	364	
Level 1 on statewide assessment	0	0	0	0	0	0	139	170	160	0	0	0	0	469	

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Students retained two or more times	0	0	0	0	0	0	5	3	1	0	0	0	0	9

## Part II: Needs Assessment/Analysis

### 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	2019			2018		
	School	District	State	School	District	State
ELA Achievement	50%	52%	54%	57%	52%	52%
ELA Learning Gains	54%	52%	54%	60%	53%	54%
ELA Lowest 25th Percentile	53%	45%	47%	56%	42%	44%
Math Achievement	48%	55%	58%	49%	53%	56%
Math Learning Gains	51%	55%	57%	55%	55%	57%
Math Lowest 25th Percentile	52%	50%	51%	50%	48%	50%
Science Achievement	48%	51%	51%	51%	49%	50%
Social Studies Achievement	56%	67%	72%	68%	67%	70%

### EWS Indicators as Input Earlier in the Survey

Indicator	Grade Level (prior year reported)			Total
	6	7	8	
	(0)	(0)	(0)	0 (0)

### 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
06	2019	49%	52%	-3%	54%	-5%
	2018	36%	48%	-12%	52%	-16%
Same Grade Comparison		13%				
Cohort Comparison						
07	2019	36%	48%	-12%	52%	-16%
	2018	42%	48%	-6%	51%	-9%
Same Grade Comparison		-6%				
Cohort Comparison		0%				
08	2019	46%	54%	-8%	56%	-10%
	2018	50%	55%	-5%	58%	-8%
Same Grade Comparison		-4%				
Cohort Comparison		4%				

MATH						
Grade	Year	School	District	School-District Comparison	State	School-State Comparison
06	2019	47%	43%	4%	55%	-8%
	2018	31%	35%	-4%	52%	-21%
Same Grade Comparison		16%				
Cohort Comparison						
07	2019	40%	49%	-9%	54%	-14%
	2018	40%	51%	-11%	54%	-14%
Same Grade Comparison		0%				
Cohort Comparison		9%				
08	2019	15%	36%	-21%	46%	-31%
	2018	16%	32%	-16%	45%	-29%
Same Grade Comparison		-1%				
Cohort Comparison		-25%				

SCIENCE						
Grade	Year	School	District	School-District Comparison	State	School-State Comparison
08	2019	41%	49%	-8%	48%	-7%
	2018	44%	49%	-5%	50%	-6%
Same Grade Comparison		-3%				
Cohort Comparison						

BIOLOGY EOC					
Year	School	District	School Minus District	State	School Minus State
2019					
2018					
CIVICS EOC					
Year	School	District	School Minus District	State	School Minus State
2019	51%	66%	-15%	71%	-20%
2018	54%	66%	-12%	71%	-17%
Compare		-3%			
HISTORY EOC					
Year	School	District	School Minus District	State	School Minus State
2019					
2018					
ALGEBRA EOC					
Year	School	District	School Minus District	State	School Minus State
2019	81%	63%	18%	61%	20%

ALGEBRA EOC					
Year	School	District	School Minus District	State	School Minus State
2018	81%	61%	20%	62%	19%
Compare		0%			
GEOMETRY EOC					
Year	School	District	School Minus District	State	School Minus State
2019	95%	53%	42%	57%	38%
2018	75%	65%	10%	56%	19%
Compare		20%			

## Subgroup Data

2019 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 2017-18	C & C Accel 2017-18
SWD	20	47	40	18	44	47	16	39			
ELL	36	56	54	42	57	53	31	41	80		
ASN	78	63		78	56		70	75	88		
BLK	37	48	50	34	42	44	35	45	63		
HSP	51	59	53	51	57	55	46	55	78		
MUL	63	48		76	59			79			
WHT	67	60	70	66	56	70	70	78	81		
FRL	45	53	50	43	48	50	42	53	74		
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	22	45	38	17	30	29	24	29	40		
ELL	25	52	49	29	44	36	26	42	77		
ASN	81	57		77	55		89	100	78		
BLK	37	43	37	27	31	23	32	48	58		
HSP	48	53	51	48	49	40	47	58	78		
MUL	63	67		67	62						
WHT	65	60	52	63	53	63	74	77	85		
FRL	44	48	43	38	39	30	44	55	73		
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	25	41	42	25	56	58	20	46			
ELL	38	62	64	27	56	52	21	60	61		
ASN	84	72		85	67		78	89	88		
BLK	41	49	45	29	46	40	30	53	56		
HSP	59	62	61	54	56	53	56	79	72		
MUL	60	70		52	48						
WHT	78	73	78	71	68	83	70	83	83		

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
FRL	49	55	54	41	52	48	43	60	66		

### ESSA Data

This data has been updated for the 2018-19 school year as of 7/16/2019.

ESSA Federal Index	
ESSA Category (TS&I or CS&I)	TS&I
OVERALL Federal Index – All Students	55
OVERALL Federal Index Below 41% All Students	NO
Total Number of Subgroups Missing the Target	1
Progress of English Language Learners in Achieving English Language Proficiency	59
Total Points Earned for the Federal Index	547
Total Components for the Federal Index	10
Percent Tested	99%

Subgroup Data	
Students With Disabilities	
Federal Index - Students With Disabilities	34
Students With Disabilities Subgroup Below 41% in the Current Year?	YES
Number of Consecutive Years Students With Disabilities Subgroup Below 32%	0
English Language Learners	
Federal Index - English Language Learners	51
English Language Learners Subgroup Below 41% in the Current Year?	NO
Number of Consecutive Years English Language Learners Subgroup Below 32%	0
Native American Students	
Federal Index - Native American Students	
Native American Students Subgroup Below 41% in the Current Year?	N/A
Number of Consecutive Years Native American Students Subgroup Below 32%	0
Asian Students	
Federal Index - Asian Students	73
Asian Students Subgroup Below 41% in the Current Year?	NO
Number of Consecutive Years Asian Students Subgroup Below 32%	0



Black/African American Students	
Federal Index - Black/African American Students	44
Black/African American Students Subgroup Below 41% in the Current Year?	NO
Number of Consecutive Years Black/African American Students Subgroup Below 32%	0
Hispanic Students	
Federal Index - Hispanic Students	57
Hispanic Students Subgroup Below 41% in the Current Year?	NO
Number of Consecutive Years Hispanic Students Subgroup Below 32%	0
Multiracial Students	
Federal Index - Multiracial Students	65
Multiracial Students Subgroup Below 41% in the Current Year?	NO
Number of Consecutive Years Multiracial Students Subgroup Below 32%	0
Pacific Islander Students	
Federal Index - Pacific Islander Students	
Pacific Islander Students Subgroup Below 41% in the Current Year?	N/A
Number of Consecutive Years Pacific Islander Students Subgroup Below 32%	0
White Students	
Federal Index - White Students	66
White Students Subgroup Below 41% in the Current Year?	NO
Number of Consecutive Years White Students Subgroup Below 32%	0
Economically Disadvantaged Students	
Federal Index - Economically Disadvantaged Students	52
Economically Disadvantaged Students Subgroup Below 41% in the Current Year?	NO
Number of Consecutive Years Economically Disadvantaged Students Subgroup Below 32%	0

## Analysis

### Data Reflection

Answer the following reflection prompts after examining any/all relevant school data sources (see guide for examples for relevant data sources).

**Which data component showed the lowest performance? Explain the contributing factor(s) to last year's low performance and discuss any trends.**

The lowest performing data component was Math achievement. Overall, our students achieved 48% proficiency in Math. Although this is the lowest performing component, the overall Math proficiency of our students increased by 4% compared to the previous year. Yet, there is an emerging trend of our

8th grade students performing the lowest in Math achievement overall. The school's 8th grade cohort achieved 15% proficiency compared to 6th grade (47%) and 7th grade (40%). This is a 1% decrease for the grade level comparison, but a significant 25% decrease for the cohort comparison.

Contributing factors to the lower performance of 8th grade students in Math were the absence of comprehensive intervention programs, low participation of targeted students in support programs, and inadequate support for culturally responsive instruction and social emotional learning. With the positive overall growth in Math achievement and learning gains, the school leadership team is dedicated to increasing the proficiency for this group of students.

**Which data component showed the greatest decline from the prior year? Explain the factor(s) that contributed to this decline.**

The data component that showed the greatest decline from the prior year was Social Studies achievement. Overall, the proficiency rate of our 7th grade students in Social Studies was 56%, which is a 4% decline from the prior year. Contributing factors to this decline were decreased reading proficiency levels of our 7th grade cohort, insufficient professional learning community structures and guidance, decreased monitoring of common planning practices, and inadequate support for culturally responsive instruction.

**Which data component had the greatest gap when compared to the state average? Explain the factor(s) that contributed to this gap and any trends.**

The data component that had the greatest gap when compared to the state average was Social Studies achievement. Overall, the proficiency of our 7th grade students in Social Studies was 56%, compared to the state's average proficiency level of 72%. This is a -16% difference between the school and state proficiency levels in Social Studies.

There is a discernable connection to the school and state achievement levels for English Language Arts achievement. The proficiency of our 7th grade students in English Language Arts was 36%, compared to the state's average proficiency level of 52%. This represents an equal -16% difference between the school and state proficiency levels in English Language Arts. Decreased English Language Arts proficiency levels for students in the 7th grade cohort is a major contributing factor to the school and state gap; additionally, insufficient professional learning community structures and guidance, decreased monitoring of common planning practices, and inadequate support for culturally responsive instruction contributed to the proficiency gap in social Studies achievement.

**Which data component showed the most improvement? What new actions did your school take in this area?**

The data component that showed the most improvement was learning gains for the lowest 25% in Math. Overall, students in the lowest 25% who achieved learning gains was 52%, compared to 35% the previous year. This 17% increase was one of the highest in the district for this data component. The new actions taken in this area were increasing cooperative learning structures during daily instruction, building positive relationships with students performing in bottom quartile, and enabling teachers and staff to access and analyze data to monitor and address the progress of student subgroups. Our work to take our students from the lowest 25% to the rising 25% will continue in a positive direction.

**Reflecting on the EWS data from Part I (D), identify one or two potential areas of concern?**

Reflecting on the Early Warning System data, there are two areas of growth potential. The first area of potential is course failures. Current data shows that 214 students failed English Language Arts and 244 students failed Math; the student cohort with the most failures are current Grade 7 students, for both content areas. There is potential here to identify and address the needs of students to increase

pass rates in both ELA and Math, especially for the 7th grade cohort.

The second area of potential is the number of students with two or more indicators. There has been an increase in the number with two or more indicators from 331 in the prior year to 360 for the current year. Deliberate efforts to enhance classroom instruction and build student capacity will help target this area of potential. The leadership team will consider these potential areas of concern in the school's improvement initiatives.

**Rank your highest priorities (maximum of 5) for schoolwide improvement in the upcoming school year.**

1. Provide Empowering Environments
2. Accelerate Student Performance
3. Narrow Achievement Gaps

### Part III: Planning for Improvement

**Areas of Focus:**

**#1. Instructional Practice specifically relating to Standards-aligned Instruction****Area of Focus Description and Rationale:**

Chain of Lakes Middle School will utilize literacy strategies to accelerate student mastery of content-specific complex text and rigorous, standards-aligned tasks. Decreased English Language Arts proficiency levels for students is a major contributing factor to the school and state gap for Social Studies achievement. Developing and monitoring teachers' and students' capacity to utilize literacy strategies will positively impact students' ability to be successful when working with content-specific, complex texts and rigorous, standards-aligned tasks. Providing professional development will enable teachers to develop rigorous learning opportunities and expose students to more rigorous, standards-aligned tasks. And, implementing deliberate monitoring practices will inform action steps to help ensure student understanding, engagement, and mastery of learning standards. As a result, we will be able to focus on accelerating student performance.

**Measurable Outcome:**

The intended outcome is that students will show measurable performance increases in the classroom and on the Florida Standards Assessments. Specifically, the goal is for students to increase proficiency levels in English Language Arts (58%), Math (54%), Science (56%), Social Studies (64%), Acceleration (85%), learning gains in English Language Arts (62%) and learning gains in Math (59%) achievement.

**Person responsible for monitoring outcome:**

Cheron Anderson (cheron.anderson@ocps.net)

**Evidence-based Strategy:**

In an effort to achieve these outcomes, literacy strategies will be used to enable students to comprehend and persevere through complex texts. Teachers will increase cognitive and conative engagement of all students through academic discussion to prepare for writing. Teachers will plan and facilitate opportunities for all students to utilize literacy strategies to write with evidence in response to complex texts, across all content areas. Additionally, teachers will open up classroom practice to increase pedagogical expertise in literacy across content areas.

**Rationale for Evidence-based Strategy:**

Through monitoring and modification of instructional practices based on student evidence and professional learning, we will build students' capacity to independently use literacy strategies to be successful with complex texts and master standards in all content areas.

**Action Steps to Implement**

Implement strategies to sustain high-performing teams by participating in district-wide initiatives to support teachers with using literacy strategies.

**Person Responsible**

Altresse Coleman (altresse.coleman@ocps.net)

Monitor, measure, and modify cycles of professional learning to support data-based instructional decisions that enhance school improvement efforts. Resource teachers will facilitate professional learning opportunities to support the planning of rigorous, standards - aligned tasks. Resource teachers will develop a plan for rigor and standards alignment of lessons. Resource teachers will also provide professional learning and ongoing support for teachers in monitoring student understanding and mastery of learning standards through the implementation of literacy strategies. Teachers will engage in evaluation of planned learning tasks for alignment to the rigor of the Florida Standards.

**Person Responsible**

Cassandra Santiago Alejandro (cassandra.santiagoalejandro@ocps.net)

Use distributive leadership to progress and sustain collective efficacy and a culture of continuous improvement. The leadership team will develop a structured system for monitoring teacher and student progress. Monitoring for teachers will be differentiated based on need and will be determined during classroom walkthroughs and observations. Monitoring for student mastery will occur through PLC data chats and school-wide progress monitoring tasks.

**Person Responsible** Angela Slaughter (angela.slaughter@ocps.net)

**#2. Culture & Environment specifically relating to Social Emotional Learning**

Chain of Lakes Middle School will build and establish a culture for social and emotional learning at our school with adults and students. Academic learning is enhanced when students have opportunities to interact with others and make meaningful connections to subject material. By ensuring that our school has a culture for social and emotional learning, we will address the schools needs to:

Increase student engagement: Current data shows that 214 students failed English Language Arts and 244 students failed Math; the student cohort with the most failures are current Grade 7 students, for both content areas. There is potential here to identify and address the needs of students to increase pass rates in both ELA and Math, especially for the 7th grade cohort.

**Area of Focus Description and Rationale:**

Provide an empowering learning environment: The data component that has shown the most improvement is learning gains for the lowest 25% in Math. Overall, students in the lowest 25% who achieved learning gains was 52%, compared to 35% the previous year. This 17% increase was one of the highest in the entire school district. Thus, there is potential to build on student and teacher empowerment.

Narrow the achievement gap: According to our ESSA data, the Students with Disabilities subgroup did not meet the federal index of 41% (achieving 34%); the Black subgroup is the second lowest performing at 44%. Additionally, students categorized as a student with a disability or as Black have consistently made the fewest learning gains in English Language Arts and lowest demonstration of Math proficiency.

Providing structured support and guidance for social emotional learning will facilitate more effective and inclusive instruction. Active student engagement in social emotional learning instructional practices, coupled with the effective use of monitoring and collaborative learning strategies, will help the school meet the diverse learning needs of students.

**Measurable Outcome:**

There are several specific measurable outcomes the school plans to achieve by focusing on culture and environment. The first outcome is that the number of students failing English Language Arts and Math classes will decrease by at least 60%. The second outcome is that at least 59% of our Gap students achieve learning gains in English Language Arts and at least 58% of our Gap students achieve learning gains in Math. We also intend for at least 41% of our students with disabilities and Black subgroups, to achieve learning gains in English Language Arts and Math.

**Person responsible for monitoring outcome:**

Cheron Anderson (cheron.anderson@ocps.net)

**Evidence-based Strategy:**

Use distributive leadership and social and emotional learning to strengthen team dynamics and collaboration in order to build academic expertise with all students. Our school will plan and implement two cycles of professional learning to provide training, opportunities for safe practice, and examination of impact data. Our school will monitor and measure the impact of our implemented professional learning through analysis of culture and climate survey data, needs assessments, classroom observations, and school environment observations. We will modify our plan of action as indicated by data, student needs, and adult needs.

Teachers will develop and implement strategies for facilitating collaborative learning, monitoring student learning, and engaging all students. The leadership team will

continuously model proper culturally responsive instruction, monitor for evidence of effective implementation, and provide support to PLCs.

**Rationale  
for  
Evidence-  
based  
Strategy:**

In order to achieve large-scale and sustainable improvement, it is necessary to invest in the collective capacity of a school building. To create a culture of social and emotional learning with adults and students, it is critical to harness the professional skills and leadership capabilities of everyone in the school. Through a distributive leadership model, our school will strengthen the team dynamics necessary to collectively support positive organizational improvement and change.

Research indicates that for sustainable improvement efforts to be realized, collective ownership is necessary. Through a distributive leadership model our school can implement efficient and sustainable continuous improvement practices that will support the social, emotional, and academic development of every student.

### Action Steps to Implement

Use a process to examine the current school climate and culture.

**Person Responsible** Altresse Coleman (altresse.coleman@ocps.net)

Understand how to cultivate and provide support for social emotional learning, and how it is connected to instructional strategies.

**Person Responsible** Kimberly Powell (kimberly.powell@ocps.net)

Provide opportunities for professional growth and implementation of strategies for social and emotional learning with adults and students to positively impact school climate and culture.

**Person Responsible** Kimberly Powell (kimberly.powell@ocps.net)

Monitor, measure, and modify cycles of professional learning that support data-based instructional decisions that enhance school improvement efforts.

**Person Responsible** Angela Slaughter (angela.slaughter@ocps.net)

### Additional Schoolwide Improvement Priorities



After choosing your Area(s) of Focus, explain how you will address the remaining schoolwide improvement priorities.

**The Teacher-Student Mentorship Program is a program that will encourage positive relationships between our teachers and students. These programs will be a powerful way for students to learn skills, develop self-awareness and confidence, practice new behaviors, and better understand how to deal with some of the issues life presents. Working with students in groups, will provide students with additional support from others who are experiencing similar situations or have adjusted well after experiencing a related situation in the past. It is important that students feel a sense of value and belonging.**

**Chain of Lakes will continue to use the school-wide policies and procedures that have been in place to provide uniformity and consistency. The school-wide supervision plan will include greeting and monitoring students throughout the school day. The Student Code of Conduct will be reviewed with students on a quarterly basis and our student support team will meet weekly to discuss specific interventions and strategies. In addition to reviewing the Student Code of Conduct, students will spend the last five minutes of their lunch time engaged in character education that will enhance and encourage positive behavior on campus and in life.**

**Celebrating student success has been an ongoing activity at Chain of Lakes Middle School. "Double O" is a recognition program employed by faculty and staff to celebrate student success. The Outstanding Osprey (also known as "Double O") Award Program will provide opportunities to recognize students who have demonstrated good citizenship, academic excellence, or that goes above and beyond what is asked of them in any area of campus life. "Double O" is celebrated four times during the school year in a formal setting with teachers, parents and Partners in Education.**

## Part IV: Positive Culture & Environment

A positive school culture and environment reflects: a supportive and fulfilling environment, learning conditions that meet the needs of all students, people who are sure of their roles and relationships in student learning, and a culture that values trust, respect and high expectations. Consulting with various stakeholder groups to employ school improvement strategies that impact the positive school culture and environment are critical. Stakeholder groups more proximal to the school include teachers, students, and families of students, volunteers, and school board members. Broad stakeholder groups include early childhood providers, community colleges and universities, social services, and business partners.

Stakeholders play a key role in school performance and addressing equity. Consulting various stakeholder groups is critical in formulating a statement of vision, mission, values, goals, and employing school improvement strategies.

Describe how the school addresses building a positive school culture and environment ensuring all stakeholders are involved.

Partnerships between school, family, and community have been associated with stronger academic achievement, as well as increases in student attributes conducive to academic success, including improved school attendance and behavior, more positive perceptions of classroom and school climate, stronger self-regulatory skills, stronger work orientation, and higher educational aspirations. In addition to enhancing student outcomes, effective partnerships in children's education also benefits parents and teachers. Overall school climate, programs, family services, parental skills and leadership, and relationships amongst all stakeholders can all improve as a result of developing and maintaining partnerships. Much of this work can



be facilitated through regular and fluid engagement in parenting, communication, volunteering, learning at home, shared descision-making, and collaborative partnerships.

As a result, Chain of Lakes Middle School maintains meaningful and powerful partnerships between the school, families, and the community in the following ways: (1) Finding ways to help families establish home environments to support children being students. (2) Developing effective and useful forms of communication and shared efficacy between school and home. (3) Actively recruiting and organizing help and support from various stakeholders. (4) Collaborating with stakeholders to help support and engage students, families, and the community. (5) Involve the home and community in school based decisions, helping to develop stakeholders as leaders and school representatives. (6) Seeking support from the community to strengthen school programs, family practices, and student learning and development.

**Parent Family and Engagement Plan (PFEP) Link**

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

**Part V: Budget**

The approved budget does not reflect any amendments submitted for this project.

1	III.A.	Areas of Focus: Instructional Practice: Standards-aligned Instruction	\$0.00
2	III.A.	Areas of Focus: Culture & Environment: Social Emotional Learning	\$0.00
Total:			\$0.00