St. Johns County School District

# Palm Valley Academy



2020-21 Schoolwide Improvement Plan

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700 BOBCAT LN, Ponte Vedra, FL 32081

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# **Demographics**

Principal: Zach Strom Start Date for this Principal: 8/1/2018

2019-20 Status (per MSID File)	Active
School Type and Grades Served (per MSID File)	Combination School KG-8
Primary Service Type (per MSID File)	K-12 General Education
2019-20 Title I School	No
2019-20 Economically Disadvantaged (FRL) Rate (as reported on Survey 3)	7%
2019-20 ESSA Subgroups Represented (subgroups with 10 or more students) (subgroups below the federal threshold are identified with an asterisk)	Students With Disabilities English Language Learners Asian Students Hispanic Students Multiracial Students White Students Economically Disadvantaged Students
School Grades History	2018-19: A (72%) 2017-18: No Grade 2016-17: No Grade 2015-16: No Grade
2019-20 School Improvement (SI) Info	rmation*
SI Region	Northeast
Regional Executive Director	<u>Cassandra Brusca</u>
Turnaround Option/Cycle	N/A
Year	
Support Tier	
ESSA Status	N/A

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

#### **School Board Approval**

This plan was approved by the St. Johns County School Board on 2/16/2021.

#### **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 <a href="https://www.floridacims.org">www.floridacims.org</a>.

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Combination School KG-8	Nο							No 3%							
Primary Service Type (per MSID File)	Charter School	2018-19 Minority Rate (Reported as Non-white on Survey 2)													
K-12 General Education	21%														
School Grades History															
Year	2019-20	2018-19													
Grade	Α	A													

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# Part I: School Information

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

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

At Palm Valley Academy we will: Pursue Excellence Value All Achieve Success

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

Building Purposeful Leaders Where Everyone Shines Through Achievement

# 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
Richardson, Jessica	Principal	Oversees: Instructional & Operational Leadership School Budget Parent & Community Communication Faculty & Support Staffing School Improvement Plan Professional Development Grade Level Support (PLCs, Discipline, Parent Concerns, Curriculum & Instruction): Overall support for grade levels and PLC process Point of Contact for Nurses  Teams: MTSS Core Team, PBIS Core Team, Safety Team, Threat Assessment Team, Leadership Team, Crisis Response Team  Additional Responsibilities: Teacher evaluation, support staff evaluation, oversight of school management, staff and parent newsletters, data disaggregation, morning/ lunch/afternoon duty, middle school class change support
Chiodo, Drew	Assistant Principal	Oversees: Middle School Master Scheduling ESE Master Scheduling & Compliance School Improvement Plan Duty & Non-Instruct Schedules Para Schedules/Supports Teacher Mentor Program  Grade Level Point of Contact (LEA, PLCs, Discipline, Parent Concerns, Curriculum & Instruction): 5th grade, 6th-7th LEA, Middle School Math Team, Middle School Electives, ESE Team  Teams: MTSS Core Team, Leadership Team, Crisis Response Team, Ukeru Team  Additional Responsibilities: Teacher evaluation, ESE compliance, data disaggregation, OneNote maintenance & support, middle school acceleration, morning/lunch/ afternoon duty, middle school class change support
Strom, Zach	Assistant Principal	Oversees: Elementary School Master Scheduling Operational Procedures Emergency Operations Plan Safety Drill Procedures & monitoring Transitions, drop-off & pick-up procedures Recess/Resource Logistics

Name	Title	Job Duties and Responsibilities
		Lunch Procedures
		Grade Level Point of Contact (LEA, PLCs, Discipline, Parent Concerns, Curriculum & Instruction): 3rd & 4th grade, Elementary Resource
		Team: MTSS Core Team, Safety Team, Leadership Team , Crisis Response Team
		Additional Responsibilities: Teacher evaluation, data disaggregation, morning/lunch/afternoon duty, middle school class change support, safety of facility and operation
		Oversees: Textbooks, curriculum & resources Student Lockers Threat Assessment Team EEE Compliance & Scheduling Professional Development Gifted EPs
Stewart, Caitlyn	Assistant Principal	Grade Level Point of Contact (LEA, PLCs, Discipline, Parent Concerns, Curriculum & Instruction): 2nd Grade, 8th Grade LEA, Middle School ELA Team, Middle School CTE Team,ILCs
		Teams: MTSS Core Team, Threat Assessment Team, Leadership Team, Crisis Response Team Additional Responsibilities: Teacher evaluation, data disaggregation, morning/lunch/afternoon duty, middle school class change support
		Oversees: MTSS Testing oversight Student Laptop Usage Extended Day
Slocum , D'Niessa	Assistant Principal	Grade Level Point of Contact (LEA, PLCs, Discipline, Parent Concerns, Curriculum & Instruction): Kindergarten, Middle School Science Team, School Counselors
		Teams: MTSS Core Team, Leadership Team, Crisis Response Team
		Additional Responsibilities: Teacher evaluation, data disaggregation, morning/lunch/afternoon duty, middle school class change support

Name	Title	Job Duties and Responsibilities
Newbold, Anje	Instructional Coach	Roles/Responsibilities: Oversees tier 2 & tier 3 intervention plans (2, 3, 4, 6, 8) Professional Development Master PD Calendar Teacher Inservice points Instructional Support: Co-Teaching Support Curriculum Support Coaching PLC Support Spelling Bee, Tropicana Speech  Additional Responsibilities: Transition Duty Lunch Duty Morning and Afternoon Duty  Teams: MTSS Core Team, Leadership Team
Green, Brian	Assistant Principal	Oversees: 504 Plans PBIS Core Team Safety Drill Facilitation and Scheduling Safety Team Scheduling  Grade Level Support (PLCs, Discipline, Parent Concerns, Curriculum & Instruction): 1st Grade, Middle School Social Studies Team, Deans T eams: MTSS Core Team, Leadership Team, Crisis Response Team, Ukeru Team  Additional Responsibilities: Teacher evaluation, data disaggregation, morning/lunch/afternoon duty, middle school class change support
Ruiz, Kelley	Instructional Coach	Roles/Responsibilities: New Teacher Cadre Oversees tier 2 & tier 3 intervention plans (K, 1, 5, 7) Oversight of Mentor/Mentee Program Mentor/Teacher Observation (non-evaluative) Instructional Support: Co-Teaching Curriculum Support Coaching PLC Support

Name	Title	Job Duties and Responsibilities
		Spelling Bee, Tropicana Speech
		Additional Responsibilities: Transition Duty Lunch Duty Morning and Afternoon Duty
		Teams: MTSS Core Team, Leadership Team

#### **Demographic Information**

#### Principal start date

Wednesday 8/1/2018, Zach Strom

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.

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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 164

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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
mulcator	K	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	Total
Number of students enrolled	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
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	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Course failure in Math	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Level 1 on 2019 statewide ELA assessment	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Level 1 on 2019 statewide Math assessment	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	

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

Indicator		Grade Level												
indicator	K	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	TOtal
Students with two or more indicators		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	

#### The number of students identified as retainees:

Indicator						Gr	ade	e Le	eve					Total
Indicator	K	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	Total
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	

#### Date this data was collected or last updated

Monday 8/17/2020

#### Prior Year - As Reported

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

Indicator	Grade Level													Total
indicator	K	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	Total
Number of students enrolled	192	184	196	186	179	195	186	0	0	0	0	0	0	1318
Attendance below 90 percent	12	4	6	3	5	8	7	0	0	0	0	0	0	45
One or more suspensions	2	0	1	3	2	4	8	0	0	0	0	0	0	20
Course failure in ELA or Math	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	3
Level 1 on statewide assessment	0	0	0	0	6	10	7	0	0	0	0	0	0	23

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

Indicator	Indicator         K         1         2         3         4         5         6         7         8         9           with two or more indicators         0         0         0         2         1         2         0         0					Total								
indicator	K	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	Total
Students with two or more indicators	0	0	0	0	2	1	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	5

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Indicator						Gr	ade	e Le	evel					Total
Indicator	K	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	Total
Retained Students: Current Year	1	5	3	2	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	12
Students retained two or more times	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	3

### **Prior Year - Updated**

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

Indicator					Gra	de Le	vel							Total
Indicator	K	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	Total
Number of students enrolled	192	184	196	186	179	195	186	0	0	0	0	0	0	1318
Attendance below 90 percent	12	4	6	3	5	8	7	0	0	0	0	0	0	45
One or more suspensions	2	0	1	3	2	4	8	0	0	0	0	0	0	20
Course failure in ELA or Math	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	3
Level 1 on statewide assessment	0	0	0	0	6	10	7	0	0	0	0	0	0	23

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

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

#### The number of students identified as retainees:

Indicator	Grade Level													Total
indicator	K	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	TOtal
Retained Students: Current Year	1	5	3	2	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	12
Students retained two or more times	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	3

# 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).

Sohool Grade Component		2019			2018				
School Grade Component	School	District	State	School	District	State			
ELA Achievement	84%	84%	61%	0%	84%	57%			
ELA Learning Gains	65%	67%	59%	0%	68%	57%			
ELA Lowest 25th Percentile	60%	61%	54%	0%	70%	51%			
Math Achievement	89%	88%	62%	0%	88%	58%			
Math Learning Gains	72%	71%	59%	0%	73%	56%			
Math Lowest 25th Percentile	61%	66%	52%	0%	70%	50%			
Science Achievement	75%	77%	56%	0%	79%	53%			
Social Studies Achievement	0%	95%	78%	0%	95%	75%			

EWS Indicators as Input Earlier in the Survey												
Grade Level (prior year reported)												
Indicator K 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8												
	(0)	(0)	(0)	(0)	(0)	(0)	(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
03	2019	87%	78%	9%	58%	29%
	2018					
Cohort Com	nparison					
04	2019	80%	77%	3%	58%	22%

			ELA			
Grade	Year	School	District	School- District Comparison	State	School- State Comparison
	2018					
Cohort Con	nparison	80%				
05	2019	83%	76%	7%	56%	27%
	2018					
Cohort Con	nparison	83%				
06	2019	84%	74%	10%	54%	30%
	2018					
Cohort Con	nparison	84%				
07	2019	0%	72%	-72%	52%	-52%
	2018					
Cohort Con	nparison	0%			<u>'</u>	
08	2019					
	2018					
Cohort Con	nparison	0%			•	

			MATH	1		
Grade	Year	School	District	School- District Comparison	State	School- State Comparison
03	2019	93%	82%	11%	62%	31%
	2018					
Cohort Con	nparison					
04	2019	87%	82%	5%	64%	23%
	2018					
Cohort Con	nparison	87%				
05	2019	80%	80%	0%	60%	20%
	2018					
Cohort Con	nparison	80%				
06	2019	91%	74%	17%	55%	36%
	2018					
Cohort Con	nparison	91%				
07	2019	0%	80%	-80%	54%	-54%
	2018					
Cohort Con	nparison	0%				
80	2019					
	2018					
Cohort Con	nparison	0%				

	SCIENCE							
Grade	Year	School	District	School- District Comparison	State	School- State Comparison		
05	2019	73%	73%	0%	53%	20%		
	2018							
Cohort Com	Cohort Comparison							
08	2019							
	2018							

SCIENCE							
Grade	Year	School	District	School- District Comparison	State	School- State Comparison	
Cohort Comparison		0%					

		BIOLO	GY EOC		
			School		School
Year	School	District	Minus	State	Minus
			District		State
2019					
2018					
		CIVIC	S EOC		
Year	School	District	School Minus District	State	School Minus State
2019					
2018					
		HISTO	RY EOC	•	
			School		School
Year	School	District	Minus	State	Minus
			District		State
2019					
2018					
		ALGEE	RA EOC		
			School		School
Year	School	District	Minus	State	Minus
			District		State
2019	0%	79%	-79%	61%	-61%
2018					
		GEOME	TRY EOC		
			School		School
Year	School	District	Minus	State	Minus
			District		State
2019					
2018					

# 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	57	54	53	60	47	40	50				
ASN	92	88		100	90						
HSP	86	75		90	75		88				
MUL	87	77		97	86						
WHT	83	61	57	88	68	58	72				
FRL	57	59		75	61	50					

	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
		2017	SCHOO	DL GRAD	E COMF	ONENT	S BY SI	JBGRO	UPS		
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

# **ESSA Data**

Federal Index - Asian Students

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)	N/A				
OVERALL Federal Index – All Students	72				
OVERALL Federal Index Below 41% All Students	NO				
Total Number of Subgroups Missing the Target	0				
Progress of English Language Learners in Achieving English Language Proficiency					
Total Points Earned for the Federal Index	506				
Total Components for the Federal Index	7				
Percent Tested	100%				
Subgroup Data					
Students With Disabilities					
Federal Index - Students With Disabilities	52				
Students With Disabilities Subgroup Below 41% in the Current Year?					
Number of Consecutive Years Students With Disabilities Subgroup Below 32%					
English Language Learners					
Federal Index - English Language Learners					
English Language Learners Subgroup Below 41% in the Current Year?	N/A				
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?					
Number of Consecutive Years Native American Students Subgroup Below 32%					
Asian Students					

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Asian Students	
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	
Black/African American Students Subgroup Below 41% in the Current Year?	N/A
Number of Consecutive Years Black/African American Students Subgroup Below 32%	0
Hispanic Students	
Federal Index - Hispanic Students	83
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	87
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	70
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	60
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 performance in a data component for Palm Valley Academy was in the Math Learning Gains of our lowest 25% of our students with disabilities, SWD. Only 40% of our SWD in our bottom quartile made a learning gain in the 2018-2019 school year. Contributing factors include students that are two or more years below grade level and needing to close the achievement gap for these learners, while also maintaining grade level expectations.

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

Palm Valley Academy only has one year of data.

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.

We were above the state average in all areas.

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

2018-2019- For our first year as a school with a large student population new to Florida, we are proud of our achievements in 3rd grade math and 6th grade ELA and Math.

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

Our focus for this year will be on the 12 students who have been retained once and the 3 students who have been retained more than once. We will also intentionally focus on the 5 students with 2 or more early warning factors.

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

- 1. ELA Lowest 25%, SWD
- 2. Math Lowest 25%. SWD
- 3. 5th Grade Science Achievement
- 4. EWS- 2 or more factors
- 5. Retainees- 1 year or more

# Part III: Planning for Improvement

#### Areas of Focus:

#1. Instructional Practice specifically	relating to ELA
Area of Focus Description and Rationale:	Our most struggling students often require the most intensive interventions and it is the job of the school to ensure that all students are showing a year's worth of growth in all academic areas. Currently only 53% of the lowest quartile students showed a learning gain in English language arts. We would like to see this percentage increased while we continue to intentionally focus our attention on this specific sub group of students.
Measurable Outcome:	Palm Valley Academy will raise the percentage of students in the lowest 25% making learning gains by 4%, from 53% to 57%.
Person responsible for monitoring outcome:	Jessica Richardson (jessica.richardson@stjohns.k12.fl.us)
Evidence-based Strategy:	Research based practices and processes, MTSS, PLC process, Staff Deliberate Practice Plans
Rationale for Evidence-based Strategy:	MTSS Core meetings will be utilized weekly to review school wide data and early warning systems. Tiered supports will be created for any student who is showing a significant gap from their peers and from grade level expectations.  Weekly grade level PLC collaboration time will also allow grade level teachers to identify students for interventions and enrichment based on current data and current standards. Once students are identified by standard and level of need, teachers will meet with student sub groups to implement specially designed instruction to close learning gaps for students, while enriching within the standards for those students who are ready for this next step

#### **Action Steps to Implement**

- 1. MTSS identification review of plans- fidelity checks
- 2. IEP review of current services and progress monitoring
- 3. Staff development surrounding EEE Deliberate Practice Plans
- 4. High Yield Instructional Strategies Observations and Feedback Practices,

including Professional Development

5. Support for New Teachers

Person Responsible Jessica Richardson (jessica.richardson@stjohns.k12.fl.us)

#### #2. Instructional Practice specifically relating to Math Math Learning Gains Lowest 25% (SWD) Our most struggling students often require the most intensive interventions and it is the job of the school to ensure that all students are showing a year's Area of Focus Description and worth of growth in all academic areas. Currently 40% of the Rationale: lowest quartile students showed a learning gain in Math. We would like to see this percentage increased while we continue to intentionally focus our attention on this specific sub group of students. Palm Valley Academy will raise the percentage of students in the Measurable Outcome: lowest 25% making learning gains by 10%, from 40% to 50%. Person responsible for monitoring Jessica Richardson (jessica.richardson@stjohns.k12.fl.us) outcome: **Evidence-based Strategy:** MTSS, PLC, EEE Model MTSS Core meetings will be utilized weekly to review school wide data and early warning systems. Tiered supports will be created for any student who is showing a significant gap from their peers and from grade level expectations. Weekly grade level PLC collaboration time will also allow grade level teachers

# Rationale for Evidence-based Strategy:

to identify students for interventions and enrichment based on

current data

and current standards. Once students are identified by standard

and level of

need, teachers will meet with student sub groups to implement

specially

designed instruction to close learning gaps for students, while

enriching

within the standards for those students who are ready for this

next step.

#### **Action Steps to Implement**

1. MTSS identification review of plans- fidelity checks

- 2. IEP review of current services and progress monitoring
- 3. Staff development surrounding EEE Deliberate Practice Plans
- 4. High Yield Instructional Strategies Observations and Feedback Practices,

including Professional Development

5. Support for New Teachers

Person Responsible

Jessica Richardson (jessica.richardson@stjohns.k12.fl.us)

#### #3. Culture & Environment specifically relating to Social Emotional Learning

At Palm Valley Academy we believe that you first must capture a

child's heart

before you can capture their minds.

A mission/vision workshop was held in June of 2018 where all

stakeholders

where invited to take part in creating the mission statement and vision

statement of Palm Valley Academy.

A two day professional development workshop is attended by new

employees of the

Area of Focus Description and Rationale:

Palm Valley Academy staff so that they can be trained in Capturing

Kids

Hearts. We have been able to offer this professional development

consistently for three years. This

program, along with the St. Johns County Character Counts initiative,

will

create the foundation of social/emotional curriculum at Palm Valley

Academy.

The goal is to train the entire school staff in Capturing Kids Hearts

over the next few years.

All staff at Palm Valley Academy will be trained in PBIS policies and

procedures, including our discipline matrix.

Measurable Outcome: Palm Valley Academy will implement Live School, a web based

resource, to

implement and monitor our Positive Behavior Support Structures.

Person responsible for monitoring outcome:

Brian Green (brian.green@stjohns.k12.fl.us)

Evidence-based Strategy: PBIS

Our administrative team, to include our Dean of Students, will monitor

the

effectiveness of the above action steps. Our Dean of Students and

Rationale for Evidence-based

Strategy:

Guidance

Counselors will be the main points of contact for continued training

and

implementation of Capturing Kids Hearts, Character Counts, and Live

School.

#### **Action Steps to Implement**

- 1. Capturing Kids Heart Training
- 2. PBIS Core Team
- 3. Live School
- 4. Progress Monitoring of action steps 1-3
- 5. Data Collection on Discipline

Person Responsible Brian Green (brian.green@stjohns.k12.fl.us)

#### **Additional Schoolwide Improvement Priorities**

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

NA

#### **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.

Palm Valley Academy empowers all stakeholders (children, teachers, staff, and community) by intentionally, and consistently building relationships within the community. Upon opening during it's doors in 2018-2019, PVA has worked with the Parent Teacher Organization (PTO), School Advisory Council (SAC) and the school based guiding coalition to ensure that everyone is valued, daily. To be intentional with these efforts, PVA has facilitated consistent professional development in Capturing Kids Hearts (CKH) and Positive Behavior Intervention & Supports (PBIS). These two philosophies, combined with the working model of the Professional Learning Community (PLC), create a school culture of collaboration to capture the minds of students and intentionally reinforces positive behavior.

Palm Valley Academy's Mission states: "We will Purse Excellence. We will Value All, We will Achieve Success. We are PVA!" This mission emphasizes collaboration, high achievement, and intrinsic value for all. This mission, collaboratively built by faculty, staff, and community members is the focal point for all things PVA and the school improvement strategies implemented in this plan stem from this mission.

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

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