

Orange County Public Schools

Chain Of Lakes Middle



2021-22 Schoolwide Improvement Plan

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Demographics

Principal: Robert Walker

Start Date for this Principal: 6/3/2014

2019-20 Status (per MSID File)	Active
School Type and Grades Served (per MSID File)	Middle School 6-8
Primary Service Type (per MSID File)	K-12 General Education
2020-21 Title I School	No
2020-21 Economically Disadvantaged (FRL) Rate (as reported on Survey 3)	89%
2020-21 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 Black/African American Students* Hispanic Students Multiracial Students White Students Economically Disadvantaged Students*
School Grades History	2018-19: B (54%) 2017-18: C (50%) 2016-17: B (58%)
2019-20 School Improvement (SI) Information*	
SI Region	Southeast
Regional Executive Director	LaShawn Russ-Porterfield
Turnaround Option/Cycle	N/A
Year	
Support Tier	
ESSA Status	

* 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.

Purpose and Outline of the SIP

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School Demographics

School Type and Grades Served (per MSID File)	2020-21 Title I School	2020-21 Economically Disadvantaged (FRL) Rate (as reported on Survey 3)
Middle School 6-8	No	77%
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	2020-21	2019-20	2018-19	2017-18
Grade		B	B	C

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Part I: School Information

School Mission and Vision

Provide the school's mission statement.

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

Provide the school's vision statement.

Our Vision: 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	Position 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.
Slaughter, Angela	Assistant Principal	As the assistant principal of instruction, Dr. Slaughter plays an integral role in supporting and evaluating school wide programs, analyzing instructional practices and student data trends, and developing plans growth plans. 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 works to ensure that all stakeholders have the opportunity to play an active role through SAC, PTSA, and various family and community based partnerships.
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.
Correa, Allison	ELL Compliance Specialist	As the ELL compliance specialist, Ms. Correa's duty and responsibility on the school's leadership team is to ensure compliance regulations are met in regard 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	Curriculum Resource Teacher	As the curriculum resource teacher, Mrs. Coleman-Moore's primary role is to lead teachers in developing best instructional practices 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 teachers in all content areas. This includes modeling lessons, supporting teachers in planning instruction, and facilitating professional development. Mrs. Coleman-Moore also leads the school's resource, certification and development program for teachers of all content areas.

Name	Position Title	Job Duties and Responsibilities
Wyatt, Tameka	Staffing Specialist	As the school's 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.
Brown, James	Dean	As a dean of students, Mr. Brown assists with the daily operation of the school, specifically in the areas of attendance, behavioral, and disciplinary prevention and intervention services with an emphasis on restorative practices and positive behavioral interventions and supports (PBIS).
Gregory, Grace	Dean	As a dean of students, Ms. Gregory assists with the daily operation of the school, specifically in the areas of attendance, behavioral, and disciplinary prevention and intervention services with an emphasis on restorative practices and positive behavioral interventions and supports (PBIS).
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.
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.

Name	Position Title	Job Duties and Responsibilities
Andrews, Kutura	Instructional Coach	As the literacy coach, Mrs. Andrews' 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 ELA and Reading 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, supporting teachers in planning instruction, and facilitating professional development. Mrs. Andrews engages stakeholders through the implementation of school and district-wide literacy initiatives.

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.*

14

Total number of teacher positions allocated to the school

57

Total number of students enrolled at the school

1,146

Identify the number of instructional staff who left the school during the 2020-21 school year.

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Identify the number of instructional staff who joined the school during the 2021-22 school year.

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Demographic Data

Early Warning Systems

2021-22

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	392	395	357	0	0	0	0	1144
Attendance below 90 percent	0	0	0	0	0	0	73	158	113	0	0	0	0	344
One or more suspensions	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	35	48	0	0	0	0	86
Course failure in ELA	0	0	0	0	0	0	40	38	100	0	0	0	0	178
Course failure in Math	0	0	0	0	0	0	21	52	69	0	0	0	0	142
Level 1 on 2019 statewide FSA ELA assessment	0	0	0	0	0	0	84	92	94	0	0	0	0	270
Level 1 on 2019 statewide FSA Math assessment	0	0	0	0	0	0	70	99	95	0	0	0	0	264
Number of students with a substantial reading deficiency	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													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	81	129	145	0	0	0	0	355

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	2	0	0	0	0	2
Students retained two or more times	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	9	1	0	0	0	0	11

Date this data was collected or last updated

Monday 8/30/2021

2020-21 - 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	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	

2020-21 - 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		
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	
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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	

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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	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

Part II: Needs Assessment/Analysis**School Data Review**

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	2021			2019			2018		
	School	District	State	School	District	State	School	District	State
ELA Achievement				50%	52%	54%	48%	52%	53%
ELA Learning Gains				54%	52%	54%	51%	50%	54%
ELA Lowest 25th Percentile				53%	45%	47%	45%	42%	47%
Math Achievement				48%	55%	58%	44%	53%	58%
Math Learning Gains				51%	55%	57%	43%	51%	57%
Math Lowest 25th Percentile				52%	50%	51%	35%	44%	51%
Science Achievement				48%	51%	51%	49%	51%	52%
Social Studies Achievement				56%	67%	72%	60%	68%	72%

Grade Level Data Review - State Assessments

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	2021					
	2019	49%	52%	-3%	54%	-5%
Cohort Comparison						
07	2021					
	2019	36%	48%	-12%	52%	-16%
Cohort Comparison		-49%				
08	2021					
	2019	46%	54%	-8%	56%	-10%
Cohort Comparison		-36%				

MATH						
Grade	Year	School	District	School-District Comparison	State	School-State Comparison
06	2021					
	2019	47%	43%	4%	55%	-8%
Cohort Comparison						
07	2021					
	2019	40%	49%	-9%	54%	-14%
Cohort Comparison		-47%				
08	2021					
	2019	15%	36%	-21%	46%	-31%
Cohort Comparison		-40%				

SCIENCE						
Grade	Year	School	District	School-District Comparison	State	School-State Comparison
08	2021					
	2019	41%	49%	-8%	48%	-7%
Cohort Comparison						

BIOLOGY EOC					
Year	School	District	School Minus District	State	School Minus State
2021					
2019					
CIVICS EOC					
Year	School	District	School Minus District	State	School Minus State
2021					
2019	51%	66%	-15%	71%	-20%
HISTORY EOC					
Year	School	District	School Minus District	State	School Minus State
2021					
2019					
ALGEBRA EOC					
Year	School	District	School Minus District	State	School Minus State
2021					
2019	81%	63%	18%	61%	20%
GEOMETRY EOC					
Year	School	District	School Minus District	State	School Minus State
2021					
2019	95%	53%	42%	57%	38%

Grade Level Data Review - Progress Monitoring Assessments

Provide the progress monitoring tool(s) by grade level used to compile the below data.

The progress monitoring tools used to compile additional student achievement data at grade levels 6, 7, and 8 are iReady diagnostics and district-based progress monitoring activities.

Grade 6				
	Number/% Proficiency	Fall	Winter	Spring
English Language Arts	All Students	26%	22%	28%
	Economically Disadvantaged	23%	19%	22%
	Students With Disabilities	2%	5%	2%
	English Language Learners	21%	13%	21%
	Number/% Proficiency	Fall	Winter	Spring
Mathematics	All Students	20%	23%	17%
	Economically Disadvantaged	16%	19%	13%
	Students With Disabilities	5%	10%	8%
	English Language Learners	10%	17%	13%
Grade 7				
	Number/% Proficiency	Fall	Winter	Spring
English Language Arts	All Students	25%	25%	31%
	Economically Disadvantaged	21%	22%	24%
	Students With Disabilities	6%	15%	18%
	English Language Learners	10%	15%	25%
	Number/% Proficiency	Fall	Winter	Spring
Mathematics	All Students	21%	25%	31%
	Economically Disadvantaged	20%	21%	30%
	Students With Disabilities	18%	15%	18%
	English Language Learners	17%	18%	28%
	Number/% Proficiency	Fall	Winter	Spring
Civics	All Students	26%	49%	52%
	Economically Disadvantaged	23%	42%	45%
	Students With Disabilities	15%	27%	21%
	English Language Learners	14%	41%	45%

Grade 8				
	Number/% Proficiency	Fall	Winter	Spring
English Language Arts	All Students	41%	43%	40%
	Economically Disadvantaged	39%	41%	34%
	Students With Disabilities	18%	14%	14%
	English Language Learners	17%	25%	27%
	Number/% Proficiency	Fall	Winter	Spring
Mathematics	All Students	9%	14%	13%
	Economically Disadvantaged	9%	12%	12%
	Students With Disabilities	0%	14%	18%
	English Language Learners	32%	51%	48%
	Number/% Proficiency	Fall	Winter	Spring
Science	All Students	26%	27%	36%
	Economically Disadvantaged	23%	25%	32%
	Students With Disabilities	6%	9%	12%
	English Language Learners	17%	13%	25%

Subgroup Data Review

2021 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 2019-20	C & C Accel 2019-20
SWD	8	26	34	17	27	23	18	11			
ELL	20	48	54	29	37	35	17	20	42		
ASN	81	80		85	46		60		69		
BLK	31	35	33	27	27	28	22	32	44		
HSP	38	45	52	44	37	34	38	41	59		
MUL	68	48		54	40						
WHT	57	51	45	66	46	38	57	68	82		
FRL	35	38	36	33	28	27	29	33	57		
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		

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
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		

ESSA Data Review

This data has been updated for the 2021-22 school year as of 10/19/2021.

ESSA Federal Index	
ESSA Category (TS&I or CS&I)	
OVERALL Federal Index – All Students	42
OVERALL Federal Index Below 41% All Students	NO
Total Number of Subgroups Missing the Target	4
Progress of English Language Learners in Achieving English Language Proficiency	45
Total Points Earned for the Federal Index	418
Total Components for the Federal Index	10
Percent Tested	93%
Subgroup Data	
Students With Disabilities	
Federal Index - Students With Disabilities	21
Students With Disabilities Subgroup Below 41% in the Current Year?	YES
Number of Consecutive Years Students With Disabilities Subgroup Below 32%	

English Language Learners	
Federal Index - English Language Learners	35
English Language Learners Subgroup Below 41% in the Current Year?	YES
Number of Consecutive Years English Language Learners Subgroup Below 32%	
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%	
Asian Students	
Federal Index - Asian Students	70
Asian Students Subgroup Below 41% in the Current Year?	NO
Number of Consecutive Years Asian Students Subgroup Below 32%	
Black/African American Students	
Federal Index - Black/African American Students	32
Black/African American Students Subgroup Below 41% in the Current Year?	YES
Number of Consecutive Years Black/African American Students Subgroup Below 32%	
Hispanic Students	
Federal Index - Hispanic Students	43
Hispanic Students Subgroup Below 41% in the Current Year?	NO
Number of Consecutive Years Hispanic Students Subgroup Below 32%	
Multiracial Students	
Federal Index - Multiracial Students	53
Multiracial Students Subgroup Below 41% in the Current Year?	NO
Number of Consecutive Years Multiracial Students Subgroup Below 32%	
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%	
White Students	
Federal Index - White Students	56
White Students Subgroup Below 41% in the Current Year?	NO
Number of Consecutive Years White Students Subgroup Below 32%	

Economically Disadvantaged Students	
Federal Index - Economically Disadvantaged Students	36
Economically Disadvantaged Students Subgroup Below 41% in the Current Year?	YES
Number of Consecutive Years Economically Disadvantaged Students Subgroup Below 32%	

Analysis

Data Analysis

Answer the following analysis questions using the progress monitoring data and state assessment data, if applicable.

What trends emerge across grade levels, subgroups and core content areas?

Analyzing data across grade levels, subgroups, and core content areas, the following trends are dominant:

Inadequate Yearly Progress - According to progress monitoring assessments, students demonstrated minimal growth from the Fall to Spring administration of the ELA and Math iReady assessment at all grade levels. However, the 8th grade cohort is performing at a 40% proficiency level in ELA, compared to 6th grade (28%) and 7th grade (31%), which presents an actionable disparity.

Persistent Achievement Gap - According to 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 in the Students with Disabilities and Black subgroups have consistently made the least learning gains in English Language Arts, and demonstrate the lowest Math proficiency. Similar trends for ESSA subgroups are evident in data collected during progress monitoring assessments.

Loss of Literacy in Content Areas - The proficiency of our 7th grade students in Social Studies was 56%, compared to the state's average proficiency of 72%. This is a -16% difference between the school and state proficiency in Social Studies. Likewise, the proficiency of our 7th grade students in English Language Arts was 36%, compared to the state's average proficiency of 52%. This represents an equal -16% difference between the school and state proficiency levels in English Language Arts. This implies a relationship between literacy and content-area achievement.

What data components, based off progress monitoring and 2019 state assessments, demonstrate the greatest need for improvement?

According to available state assessment data, the lowest-performing 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. Progress monitoring data reflect this trend as well.

What were the contributing factors to this need for improvement? What new actions would need to be taken to address this need for improvement?

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.

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.

What data components, based off progress monitoring and 2019 state assessments, showed the most improvement?

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.

What were the contributing factors to this improvement? What new actions did your school take in this area?

Contributing factors were an increased focus on three major factors: providing empowering environments, accelerating student performance, and narrowing achievement gaps. The new actions taken in this area were increasing cooperative learning structures during daily instruction, building positive relationships with students, with additional attention to students performing in the 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.

What strategies will need to be implemented in order to accelerate learning?

We will need to implement the following research-based strategies to accelerate learning: creating an empowering and safe learning environment, planning for high-quality instruction, and monitoring student progress.

Based on the contributing factors and strategies identified to accelerate learning, describe the professional development opportunities that will be provided at the school to support teachers and leaders.

Based on the contributing factors and strategies identified to accelerate learning, the following professional development opportunities will be provided: (1) social-emotional learning, (2) cooperative learning, (3) culturally responsive instruction, (4) standards-based instruction, (5) best practices in exceptional student education.

Provide a description of the additional services that will be implemented to ensure sustainability of improvement in the next year and beyond.

Through weekly professional learning community (PLC) meetings and common planning sessions, teachers will analyze student performance on common formative and summative assessments, in addition to student performance on progress monitoring assessments. Additionally, instructional focus calendars for each content area will include time for remediation and enrichment. Lastly, students will receive additional support, based on data results, through our intervention and acceleration tutoring. As a result of this collaborative and comprehensive model, teachers and leaders can effectively

monitor student progress and plan data-driven instruction to address student learning needs throughout the school year.

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 increase the focus on standards-aligned instruction through literacy skills. 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. A deeper review of the data indicated a correlation between literacy and content-area achievement. Therefore, focusing on overcoming the loss in literacy, will support and accelerate student mastery of content-specific complex text and rigorous, standards-aligned tasks. Developing and monitoring 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 accelerate 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%). Additionally, we intend for all of our ESSA subgroups to meet the federal index of 41%.

Monitoring:

This area of focus will be monitored by classroom walkthroughs to determine the implementation of lesson plans that include literacy strategies and rigorous standards-aligned tasks, results from iReady assessments, and results from progress monitoring activities.

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.

Rationale for Evidence-based Strategy:

Focusing on literacy strategies will enable teachers to 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. 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

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

Person Responsible Cheron Anderson (cheron.anderson@ocps.net)

Implement, 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 the evaluation of planned learning tasks for alignment to the rigor of the Florida Standards.

Person Responsible Altresse Coleman (altresse.coleman@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 Cheron Anderson (cheron.anderson@ocps.net)

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

Chain of Lakes Middle School will build and sustain 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 each other and the content. By ensuring that our school has a culture for social and emotional learning, we will address the schools needs to:

**Area of
Focus
Description
and
Rationale:**

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.

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.

**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.

Monitoring:

Our school will monitor and measure the impact of 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.

**Person
responsible
for
monitoring
outcome:**

Cheron Anderson (cheron.anderson@ocps.net)

**Evidence-
based
Strategy:**

To address this area of focus, we will employ a teacher-led team to actively lead social and emotional learning on our campus. Through the social-emotional learning leadership team (SELL), we will 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. 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:**

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. 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

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

Person Responsible Toby Hurst (toby.hurst@ocps.net)

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

Person Responsible Toby Hurst (toby.hurst@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 Altresse Coleman (altresse.coleman@ocps.net)

Additional Schoolwide Improvement Priorities

Using the [SafeSchoolsforAlex.org](https://www.safeschoolsforalex.org), compare the discipline data of the school to discipline data across the state and provide primary or secondary areas of concern that the school will monitor during the upcoming school year. Include how the school culture and environment will be monitored through the lens of behavior or discipline data.

According to the most recent Safe Schools for Alex data, Chain of Lakes Middle reported 5.1 incidents per 100 students, compared to the statewide rate of 4.2 incidents per 100 students for the 2019 - 2020 school year. This Incident Rate is considered high on a scale ranging from very low to very high. The incidents of crime, violence and disruptive behaviors have been organized into three categories: violent incidents, property incidents, and drug/public order incidents. Reflecting on the school's data, the primary area of concern to be monitored during the school year is the level of violent incidents. The first area of concern is the level of violent incidents. The school reported 4.06 violent incidents per 100 students, for a total of 50. The majority of these incidents were categorized as fighting, threat or intimidation, or physical attacks.

Administrators, faculty, staff, parents, and students will collaborate to create school-wide structures to communicate high expectations and address student discipline concerns. In a continuous effort to equip teachers with strategies in classroom management, social-emotional learning, trauma-informed instruction, and restorative practices, professional development will be provided throughout the school year. Administrative deans will also conduct training for teachers on establishing rules and procedures, and recognizing adherence to rules and procedures. A structured approach will help to minimize classroom distractions, keep students engaged in learning while providing a reflective platform for students to take responsibility for their behavior, and address student needs that will help decrease the number of violent incidents. During the school year, quarterly progress monitoring of student discipline data will be conducted to determine if determine positive change and growth. Based on monitoring results, a committee will meet regularly to adjust policies and procedures based on the needs of the school culture and environment.

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.

In order to establish a positive school culture and climate, all schools engage in ongoing, district-wide professional learning on leveraging social and emotional learning as well as leadership for student success. Through a distributive leadership model, schools use social and emotional learning to strengthen team dynamics and collaboration in order to build academic expertise in all students. Through this professional learning, schools across the district use the CASEL Core Competencies as a common language to support

a positive culture of social and emotional learning and connect cognitive and conative strategies to support student success. A core team of teachers and administrators from each school, which includes a mental health designee, attend this district-wide professional learning throughout the year. The core team works with a broader school team and is charged with personalizing and implementing professional learning for staff and families, based on school and community needs. School leadership teams collaborate with students, staff, and families, through processes such as the School Advisory Council, to reflect on implementation and determine next steps. Development of positive culture and environment is further enhanced through school-based and district-wide opportunities focused on building capacity in families to support continuous school improvement and student success. Schools strategically utilize staff to bridge the community and school, connect families with resources, and build a culture for authentic family engagement in school staff.

Identify the stakeholders and their role in promoting a positive culture and environment at the school.

According to the Florida Department of Education, each stakeholder has a specific investment in promoting a positive culture and environment at the school: (1) Students - Personal success throughout school, future opportunity. (2) Parents - Pride, success, and opportunity for the students they care about. (3) School staff - Professional efficacy and job satisfaction. (4) School & district staff - "Adequate yearly progress," meeting accountability expectations. (5) School board - Fulfilling the district's mission, media coverage, accountability. (6) Taxpayers - Getting a good return on their tax "investment" in schools. (7) Business community - Ability to hire graduates with skills needed, community economics. (8) Other community members - Community pride and "livability," real estate values.

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 decision-making, and collaborative partnerships amongst all stakeholders.

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