**Pinellas County Schools** 

# Oak Grove Middle School



2022-23 Schoolwide Improvement Plan

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## **Oak Grove Middle School**

1370 S BELCHER RD, Clearwater, FL 33764

http://www.oakgrove-ms.pinellas.k12.fl.us

### **Demographics**

**Principal: Kristy Therrien** 

Start Date for this Principal: 6/9/2020

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
2021-22 Title I School	Yes
2021-22 Economically Disadvantaged (FRL) Rate (as reported on Survey 3)	100%
2021-22 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	2021-22: C (41%) 2018-19: C (46%) 2017-18: C (47%)
2019-20 School Improvement (SI) Info	ormation*
SI Region	Central
Regional Executive Director	<u>Lucinda Thompson</u>
Turnaround Option/Cycle	N/A
Year	
Support Tier	
ESSA Status	TSI
* As defined under Rule 6A-1.099811, Florida Administrative Code. Fo	or more information, click here.

#### **School Board Approval**

This plan is pending approval by the Pinellas 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 <a href="https://www.floridacims.org">www.floridacims.org</a>.

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#### **School Demographics**

School Type and Grades Served (per MSID File)	2021-22 Title I School	Disadvantaged (FRL) Rate (as reported on Survey 3)
Middle School 6-8	Yes	100%
Primary Service Type (per MSID File)	Charter School	2018-19 Minority Rate (Reported as Non-white on Survey 2)
K-12 General Education	No	65%
School Grades History		

Year	2021-22	2020-21	2019-20	2018-19
Grade	С		С	С

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#### **Part I: School Information**

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

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

To provide an equitable learning experience for all students and prepare all students for high school, college, career, and life.

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

100% Student Success

#### School Leadership Team

#### Membership

For each member of the school leadership team, select the employee name and email address from the dropdown. Identify the position title and job duties/responsibilities.:

Name	Position Title	Job Duties and Responsibilities
Therrien, Kristy	Principal	
Mallory, Karen	Assistant Principal	
Oleksy, Mariah	Assistant Principal	
Alford, Christopher	Assistant Principal	

#### **Demographic Information**

#### Principal start date

Tuesday 6/9/2020, Kristy Therrien

Number of teachers with a 2022 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.

0

Number of teachers with a 2022 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.

21

Total number of teacher positions allocated to the school

44

Total number of students enrolled at the school

877

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

21

Identify the number of instructional staff who joined the school during the 2022-23 school year.

21

#### **Demographic Data**

#### **Early Warning Systems**

Using prior year's data, complete the table below with the number of students by current grade level that exhibit each early warning indicator listed:

Indicator			Grade Level													
indicator	K	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	Total		
Number of students enrolled	0	0	0	0	0	0	283	303	291	0	0	0	0	877		
Attendance below 90 percent	0	0	0	0	0	0	84	68	61	0	0	0	0	213		
One or more suspensions	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	8	12	0	0	0	0	21		
Course failure in ELA	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	3	0	0	0	0	0	4		
Course failure in Math	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	4	1	0	0	0	0	7		
Level 1 on 2022 statewide FSA ELA assessment	0	0	0	0	0	0	103	129	130	0	0	0	0	362		
Level 1 on 2022 statewide FSA Math assessment	0	0	0	0	0	0	118	125	93	0	0	0	0	336		
Number of students with a substantial reading deficiency	0	0	0	0	0	0	103	129	130	0	0	0	0	362		

Using the table above, complete the table below with the number of students by current grade level who have two or more early warning indicators:

Indicator						Gr	ade	e Le	evel					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	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	

Using current year data, complete the table below with the number of students identified as being "retained.":

Indicator		Grade Level														
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	3	7	1	0	0	0	0	11		
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

Sunday 7/31/2022

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

Indicator							Grad	le Le	vel					Total
indicator	K	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	TOtal
Number of students enrolled	0	0	0	0	0	0	293	317	355	0	0	0	0	965
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	5	3	5	0	0	0	0	13
Course failure in ELA	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	4	0	0	0	0	7
Course failure in Math	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	8	10	0	0	0	0	21
Level 1 on 2019 statewide FSA ELA assessment	0	0	0	0	0	0	52	63	79	0	0	0	0	194
Level 1 on 2019 statewide FSA Math assessment	0	0	0	0	0	0	45	66	68	0	0	0	0	179
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													
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	26	61	50	0	0	0	0	137

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

Indicator		Grade Level													
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	7	12	13	0	0	0	0	32	
Students retained two or more times	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		

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One or more suspensions	0	0	0	0	0	0	5	3	5	0	0	0	0	13
Course failure in ELA	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	4	0	0	0	0	7
Course failure in Math	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	8	10	0	0	0	0	21
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Indicator						(	Grad	e Le	vel	Total				
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Retained Students: Current Year	0	0	0	0	0	0	7	12	13	0	0	0	0	32
Students retained two or more times	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	

## 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		2022			2021		2019		
School Grade Component	School	District	State	School	District	State	School	District	State
ELA Achievement	34%	46%	50%				38%	52%	54%
ELA Learning Gains	36%						47%	55%	54%
ELA Lowest 25th Percentile	30%						42%	47%	47%
Math Achievement	37%	30%	36%				43%	55%	58%
Math Learning Gains	39%						47%	52%	57%
Math Lowest 25th Percentile	39%						40%	46%	51%
Science Achievement	33%	52%	53%				43%	51%	51%
Social Studies Achievement	56%	52%	58%				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	2022					
	2019	36%	51%	-15%	54%	-18%
Cohort Con	nparison				,	
07	2022					
	2019	41%	51%	-10%	52%	-11%
Cohort Con	nparison	-36%				
08	2022					
	2019	37%	55%	-18%	56%	-19%
Cohort Con	nparison	-41%			•	

			MATH			
Grade	Year	School	District	School- District Comparison	State	School- State Comparison
06	2022					
	2019	33%	44%	-11%	55%	-22%
Cohort Con	nparison					
07	2022					
	2019	51%	60%	-9%	54%	-3%
Cohort Con	nparison	-33%				
80	2022					
	2019	30%	31%	-1%	46%	-16%
Cohort Con	nparison	-51%				

			SCIENC	E		
Grade	Year	School	District	School- District Comparison	State	School- State Comparison
06	2022					
	2019					
Cohort Co	mparison					
07	2022					
	2019					
Cohort Co	mparison	0%				
08	2022					
	2019	42%	51%	-9%	48%	-6%
Cohort Co	mparison	0%				

		BIOLO	GY EOC		
Year	School	District	School Minus District	State	School Minus State
2022					
2019					
		CIVIC	S EOC		
Year	School	District	School Minus District	State	School Minus State
2022					
2019	61%	68%	-7%	71%	-10%
		HISTO	RY EOC		
Year	School	District	School Minus District	State	School Minus State
2022					
2019					

		ALGEB	RA EOC		
Year	School	District	School Minus District	State	School Minus State
2022					
2019	70%	55%	15%	61%	9%
		GEOME	TRY EOC		
Year	School	District	School Minus District	State	School Minus State
2022					
2019	0%	56%	-56%	57%	-57%

## Subgroup Data Review

		2022	SCHO	OL GRAD	E COMF	PONENT	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 2020-21	C & C Accel 2020-21
SWD	7	24	26	10	26	28	12	36			
ELL	20	27	23	28	31	32	14	45	58		
ASN	63	60		72	59						
BLK	19	33	27	19	35	35	13	44	33		
HSP	29	32	26	34	34	35	28	49	58		
MUL	34	30		32	38		30		70		
WHT	44	40	37	48	45	47	45	66	70		
FRL	29	32	29	34	38	38	28	51	58		
		2021	SCHO	OL GRAD	E COMP	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 2019-20	C & C Accel 2019-20
SWD	8	22	22	11	30	31	14	32			
ELL	22	36	38	30	36	42	21	42	50		
ASN	61	61		83	72						
BLK	24	31	18	26	37	34	23	54	69		
HSP	29	39	39	36	38	37	36	49	65		
MUL	52	56		44	38		53	69	64		
WHT	47	46	44	49	45	38	59	60	76		
FRL	32	38	34	37	39	34	37	50	66		
		2019	SCHO	OL 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 2017-18	C & C Accel 2017-18
SWD	13	36	32	16	33	31	28	20	36		
ELL	18	39	40	29	36	32	19	37	35		
ASN	71	50		79	62						
BLK	29	44	48	26	40	46	34	42	53		
HSP	30	44	40	37	42	35	35	49	54		
MUL	46	50		53	54		80	54	64		
WHT	47	49	45	52	53	44	48	76	56		
FRL	32	44	41	38	42	34	38	50	50		

### **ESSA Data Review**

This data has not been updated for the 2022-23 school year.

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ESSA Federal Index	
ESSA Category (TS&I or CS&I)	TSI
OVERALL Federal Index – All Students	41
OVERALL Federal Index Below 41% All Students	NO
Total Number of Subgroups Missing the Target	6
Progress of English Language Learners in Achieving English Language Proficiency	45
Total Points Earned for the Federal Index	412
Total Components for the Federal Index	10
Percent Tested	95%
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%	3
English Language Learners	
Federal Index - English Language Learners	32
English Language Learners Subgroup Below 41% in the Current Year?	YES
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	64
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	29
Black/African American Students Subgroup Below 41% in the Current Year?	YES
Number of Consecutive Years Black/African American Students Subgroup Below 32%	1

Hispanic Students	
Federal Index - Hispanic Students	37
Hispanic Students Subgroup Below 41% in the Current Year?	YES
Number of Consecutive Years Hispanic Students Subgroup Below 32%	0
Multiracial Students	
Federal Index - Multiracial Students	39
Multiracial Students Subgroup Below 41% in the Current Year?	YES
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	48
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	38
Economically Disadvantaged Students Subgroup Below 41% in the Current Year?	YES
Number of Consecutive Years Economically Disadvantaged Students Subgroup Below 32%	0

## Part III: Planning for Improvement

#### **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?

Proficiency and learning gains in all content areas has decreased or remined the same with the exception of our math L25 learning, which increased by 2%.

What data components, based off progress monitoring and 2022 state assessments, demonstrate the greatest need for improvement?

Our Pre-Algebra and Science scores, based on end of year assessments, need the most improvement.

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

Our 8th grade population struggled to make gains and meet proficiency across all grade levels. This was due to the disruption in their middle school career because of COVID. Our teachers struggled with providing rigorous standards based learning tasks. We lacked bilingual associates and paraprofessionals to support scholars within class. Our ESE teachers were pulled to cover classes due to staff absences for COVID related purposes.

## What data components, based off progress monitoring and 2022 state assessments, showed the most improvement?

Our Civics remained the same with 56% proficiency in 2021 and 2022. Our Math L25 learning gains improved.

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

The teachers were experienced, dedicated, and provided daily rigorous standard based instruction with little disruption to the classroom environment.

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

Priority 1-Accelerating Learning through High Achievement: Planning standards-based lessons, aligning resources to BEST standards, and planning to close the achievement GAP of our subgroups. Priority 2-Accelerating Learning through Student Experiences: Using formative assessments to track student progress and plan differentiated instruction, organize students to interact with content using engaging strategies, and communicating high expectations for each student to close the achievement gap

Priority 3-High Expectations for All: The development of an equitable environment where the academic, social emotional and behavioral needs of every student are known and met.

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.

We will continue to provide professional development in scholar engagement, use of WICOR strategies and academic vocabulary by both teacher and scholar, as well as a focus on acceleration (1. Generate Thinking, Purpose, Relevance, and Curiosity, 2. Clearly Articulate the Learning Goal and Expectations, 3. Scaffold and Practice Essential Prerequisite Skills, 4. Introduce New Vocabulary and Review Prior Vocabulary, 5. Dip into the New Concept, and 6. Conduct Formative Assessment Frequently)

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

Common planning for all content/grade level teams, including the partnership of reading with civics. Presence of instructional coaches and administrators daily for support and corrective feedback.

#### **Areas of Focus**

Identify the key Areas of Focus to address your school's highest priorities based on any/all relevant data sources.

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#### **#1. Instructional Practice specifically relating to ELA**

## Area of Focus Description and

Rationale:

Include a rationale that explains how it was identified as a critical need from the data reviewed.

Our current level of performance is 35% of our students are proficient on the 2022 FSA ELA. The problem/gap is occurring because students are not being challenged with higher order thinking questions on a routine basis which allows them to actively participate in the learning.

#### Measurable Outcome:

State the specific measurable outcome the school plans to achieve. This should be a data based, objective outcome.

We expect our perfor students meeting programmer assessment F.A.S.T.

We expect our performance level to increase from 35% to 50% of our students meeting proficiency by Spring 2023 Progress Monitoring assessment F.A.S.T.

#### **Monitoring:**

Describe how this Area of Focus will be monitored for the desired outcome.

Monitoring will occur through daily walkthroughs and analysis of data, both formal and informal.

Person responsible for monitoring outcome:

Karen Mallory (malloryk@pcsb.org)

Evidence-based Strategy: Describe the evidence-based strategy being implemented for this Area of Focus. Enhance staff capacity to identify content from the BEST Benchmarks that will create opportunities for collaboration around higher order thinking questions and allow students to enter a productive struggle.

## Rationale for Evidence-based Strategy:

Explain the rationale for selecting this specific strategy. Describe the resources/criteria used for selecting this strategy.

If teachers intentionally planned higher order thinking questions and allowed students time to engage in the productive struggle in collaboration with other students, the problem would be reduced by 15%.

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

List the action steps that will be taken as part of this strategy to address the Area of Focus. Identify the person responsible for monitoring each step.

Teachers meet in PLCs at least twice per month to share ways they are incorporating HOT Qs and collaboration into their lessons and what effect placing students in the productive struggle is having on student growth. In PLCs teachers also share ways to support students who continue to struggle with engagement in collaboration around complex tasks like HOT Qs.

#### Person Responsible

Kristy Therrien (therrienk@pcsb.org)

ELA and reading teachers receive professional development around B.E.S.T. Benchmarks, HOT Questions, and collaborative structures.

#### Person Responsible

Karen Mallory (malloryk@pcsb.org)

Administrators monitor and support the implementation of the use of grade-appropriate B.E.S.T. complex texts and connected tasks, like HOT Q's in reading and ELA classrooms through classroom observation.

#### Person Responsible

Karen Mallory (malloryk@pcsb.org)

Place students in the appropriate level ELA class to ensure they are being challenged with the right amount of rigor, including placing high Level 2 EL scholars in an Intensive Reading class using the Acceleration Framework (1. Generate Thinking, Purpose, Relevance, and Curiosity, 2. Clearly Articulate the Learning Goal and Expectations, 3. Scaffold and Practice Essential Prerequisite Skills, 4. Introduce

New Vocabulary and Review Prior Vocabulary, 5. Dip into the New Concept, and 6. Conduct Formative Assessment Frequently).

**Person Responsible** 

Karen Mallory (malloryk@pcsb.org)

#### #2. Instructional Practice specifically relating to Social Studies

Area of Focus Description and Rationale:

Include a rationale that explains how it was identified as a critical need from the data reviewed.

Our current level of performance is: 56% proficiency, as evidenced in 2021 Spring EOC Civics Assessment. The problem/gap is occurring because classroom practices rarely include student-centered learning environments with rigor.

Measurable Outcome:

State the specific measurable outcome the school plans to achieve. This should be a data based, objective outcome.

The percent of students achieving proficiency on the Civics EOC will increase from 56% to

70%, as measured by the spring administration of the Civics EOC

**Monitoring:** 

Describe how this Area of Focus will be monitored for the desired outcome.

Monitoring will take place daily through walkthroughs and data analysis during bimonthly PLCs.

Person responsible for monitoring outcome:

Christopher Alford (alfordch@pcsb.org)

Evidence-based Strategy:
Describe the evidence-based strategy being implemented for this Area of Focus.

Support staff to utilize data to organize students to interact with content in manners which differentiates/scaffolds instruction to meet the needs of each student.

Rationale for Evidence-based Strategy:

Explain the rationale for selecting this specific strategy. Describe the resources/criteria used for selecting this strategy.

If collaborative planning for student-centered, scaffolded exercises that build to HOT opportunities would occur, the problem would be reduced and proficiency would increase by 14%.

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

List the action steps that will be taken as part of this strategy to address the Area of Focus. Identify the person responsible for monitoring each step.

Regularly assess (formally and informally) and utilize data to modify and adjust instruction. Teachers utilize ongoing formative assessment and use the information gained to adjust instruction, enrich and reteach, and provide research-based interventions.

#### Person Responsible

Christopher Alford (alfordc@pcsb.org)

In PLCs teachers collaborate on a common instrument for students track and reflect on their data. The instrument includes space for student reflection and "next steps."

#### Person Responsible

Christopher Alford (alfordch@pcsb.org)

Use data to plan instruction that ensures differentiation, intervention and enrichment while scaffolding learning to increase student performance.

#### Person Responsible

Christopher Alford (alfordch@pcsb.org)

Provide students with the opportunity to demonstrate higher order thinking strategies and processes.

#### Person Responsible

Christopher Alford (alfordch@pcsb.org)

Schedule our Level 1 ELA 8th grade scholars with an Intensive Reading teacher who is paired with a Civics teacher, which will provide those scholars with the skills necessary to deconstruct the complex Civics texts.

#### Person Responsible

Karen Mallory (malloryk@pcsb.org)

#### #3. Instructional Practice specifically relating to Math

Area of Focus Description and Rationale: Include a rationale that explains how it was identified as a critical need from the data reviewed.

Our current level of performance is 29% Mathematics Achievement, as evidenced in 2021-2022 School Grade Report. The problem/gap is occurring because learning targets and learning tasks are not differentiated to address student readiness, interest, and learning profile of the students with regards to mathematics.

Measurable Outcome: State the specific measurable outcome the school plans to achieve. This should be a data based, objective outcome.

We expect our performance level to increase from 29% to 45% Mathematics Achievement by the 2022-2023 School Grade Report.

**Monitoring:** 

Describe how this Area of Focus will be monitored for the desired outcome.

Monitoring will occur through daily observations with corrective feedback and emphasis on differentiation. Both formal and informal data will be analyzed during Department PLCs and Common planning.

Person responsible for monitoring outcome:

Christopher Alford (alfordc@pcsb.org)

Evidence-based Strategy: Describe the evidencebased strategy being implemented for this Area of Focus.

Support staff to utilize data to organize students to interact with content in manner which differentiates/scaffolds instruction to meet the needs of each student.

Rationale for Evidencebased Strategy: Explain the rationale for selecting this specific strategy. Describe the resources/criteria used for selecting this strategy.

If differentiated learning opportunities are implemented as part of student instruction, the problem would be reduced by 20%

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

List the action steps that will be taken as part of this strategy to address the Area of Focus. Identify the person responsible for monitoring each step.

Mathematics teachers participate in professional learning opportunities around the B.E.S.T. Standards, the Mathematical Thinking & Reasoning Standards, and Differentiation in the Math Classroom.

#### Person Responsible Christopher Alford (alfordc@pcsb.org)

Teachers utilize systemic documents (adopted curriculum, pacing guides, etc.) to effectively plan for mathematics units that incorporate the Mathematical Thinking and Reasoning Standards and rigorous performance tasks aligned to the B.E.S.T. Benchmarks for Mathematics. Planning will include horizontal and vertical alignment across benchmarks to help students make connections in their learning.

#### Person Responsible Christopher Alford (alfordc@pcsb.org)

Teachers provide students with at least 1 differentiated learning opportunity within each unit of instruction that addresses either 1) the students' mathematical readiness, 2) the students' interests as related to the mathematics they are learning, and/or 3) the students' choice of how to learn the material (learner profile).

Person Responsible Christopher Alford (alfordc@pcsb.org)

Teachers utilize IXL's Diagnostic Arena to have students address mathematical skills gaps from their individualized Action Plans with an emphasis on utilizing the program outside of the school day to extend learning beyond the classroom.

Person Responsible Christopher Alford (alfordc@pcsb.org)

Administrators and teachers engage in mathematics-focused learning walks/discussions with a focus on target/task alignment, student-centered learning environment and differentiated learning opportunities for students.

Person Responsible Christopher Alford (alfordc@pcsb.org)

Conduct regular, monthly, Professional Learning Communities (PLCs) inclusive of 'data chats' to review student data to identify and plan for differentiation opportunities based on the students' readiness, interest, and/or learning profile. Data can come from the FAST assessments, IXL, Instructional Materials assessments, and/or teacher and district formal and informal assessments.

Person Responsible Christopher Alford (alfordc@pcsb.org)

#### #4. Instructional Practice specifically relating to Science

## Area of Focus Description and Rationale:

Include a rationale that explains how it was identified as a critical need from the data reviewed.

Our current level of performance is 35%, as evidenced in SSA proficiency (level 3 and above). The problem/gap is occurring because data is not being utilized to differentiate and scaffold instruction to increase student performance.

#### Measurable Outcome:

State the specific measurable outcome the school plans to achieve. This should be a data based, objective outcome.

The percent of 8th grade students achieving science proficiency will increase from 35% to 55%, as measured by 8thgrade Science State-Wide Science Assessment

#### **Monitoring:**

Describe how this Area of Focus will be monitored for the desired outcome.

Daily walkthroughs with corrective feedback and data analysis at bimonthly PLCs.

Person responsible for monitoring outcome:

Mariah Oleksy (oleksym@pcsb.org)

Evidence-based Strategy:
Describe the evidence-based strategy being implemented for this Area of Focus.

Support staff to utilize data to organize students to interact with content in manners which differentiates/scaffolds instruction to meet the needs of each student.

## Rationale for Evidence-based Strategy:

Explain the rationale for selecting this specific strategy. Describe the resources/criteria used for selecting this strategy.

If effective implementation of differentiation and scaffolding of inquiry-based instruction based on formative data would occur, the problem would be reduced by 20%.

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

List the action steps that will be taken as part of this strategy to address the Area of Focus. Identify the person responsible for monitoring each step.

Conduct regular, monthly, Professional Learning Communities (PLCs) inclusive of 'data chats' to review student responses to tasks and formative assessments and plan for instructional lessons that include text-dependent questions, close and critical reading and skill/strategy-based groups to implement during core instruction to support success with complex texts.

#### Person Responsible

Mariah Oleksy (oleksym@pcsb.org)

Teachers utilize systemic documents (adopted curriculum, pacing guides, etc.) to effectively plan for units that incorporate rigorous performance tasks aligned to the Standards.

#### Person Responsible

Mariah Oleksy (oleksym@pcsb.org)

Teachers monitor and provide feedback to students to support learning.

#### Person Responsible

Mariah Oleksy (oleksym@pcsb.org)

Administrators monitor teacher practice and provide feedback to support teacher growth. Administrators regularly observe science lessons to monitor strategy implementation and provide feedback to teachers, literacy coach and science Instructional Staff Developer to support next steps.

#### **Person Responsible**

Mariah Oleksy (oleksym@pcsb.org)

Regularly assess (formally and informally) and utilize data to modify and adjust instruction. Teachers utilize ongoing formative assessment and use the information gained to adjust instruction, enrich and reteach, and provide research-based interventions.

Person Responsible

Mariah Oleksy (oleksym@pcsb.org)

Use data to plan instruction that ensures differentiation, intervention and enrichment while scaffolding learning to increase student performance.

**Person Responsible** 

Mariah Oleksy (oleksym@pcsb.org)

Utilize a variety of modalities when presenting concepts and instruction to meet the needs of each student.

Person Responsible

Mariah Oleksy (oleksym@pcsb.org)

#### #5. ESSA Subgroup specifically relating to Students with Disabilities

Area of Focus **Description and** Rationale:

Include a rationale that explains how it was identified as a critical need from the data reviewed.

Our current level of performance is 7% of our students are proficient on the 2022 FSA ELA and 10% on the FSA Math. The problem/gap is occurring because students are not being challenged with higher order thinking questions on a routine basis in ELA and challenged with rigorous instruction in math, which allows them to actively participate in the learning.

Measurable Outcome:

State the specific

school plans to achieve. This should be a data based, objective outcome.

measurable outcome the We expect our performance level to increase from 7% to 22% of our SWD students meeting proficiency by Spring 2023 Progress Monitoring assessment F.A.S.T. in ELA and from 10% to 25% in Math.

Monitoring:

Describe how this Area of Focus will be monitored for the desired outcome.

Monitoring will occur through daily walkthroughs, observing both ELA/Math core content teachers and ESE support facilitation teachers, as well as an analysis of data, both formal and informal.

Person responsible for monitoring outcome:

Karen Mallory (malloryk@pcsb.org)

Evidence-based

Strategy:

Describe the evidencebased strategy being implemented for this Area of Focus.

Implement Specially-Designed Instruction (SDI) with fidelity, which tailors instruction for individual SWD students (addressing their Individualized Education Program (IEP) goals, accounting for their disability, providing modifications or adaptations to content, and encouraging access to the general education curriculum).

Rationale for Evidencebased Strategy: Explain the rationale for selecting this specific strategy. Describe the resources/criteria used for selecting this strategy.

If teachers effectively implemented SDI (Specially Designed Instruction), the problem would be reduced in ELA and math by 15%.

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

List the action steps that will be taken as part of this strategy to address the Area of Focus. Identify the person responsible for monitoring each step.

Teachers meet in PLCs at least twice per month to share ways they are incorporating HOT Qs and collaboration into their lessons and what effect placing students in the productive struggle is having on student growth. In PLCs teachers also share ways to support students who continue to struggle with engagement in collaboration around complex tasks like HOT Qs.

Person Responsible Kristy Therrien (therrienk@pcsb.org)

ELA and reading teachers receive professional development around B.E.S.T. Benchmarks, HOT Questions, and collaborative structures.

Person Responsible Karen Mallory (malloryk@pcsb.org) Administrators monitor and support the implementation of the use of grade-appropriate B.E.S.T. complex texts and connected tasks, like HOT Q's in reading and ELA classrooms through classroom observation.

**Person Responsible** Karen Mallory (malloryk@pcsb.org)

Place students in the appropriate level ELA class to ensure they are being challenged with the right amount of rigor, including placing high Level 2 EL scholars in an Intensive Reading class using the Acceleration Framework (1. Generate Thinking, Purpose, Relevance, and Curiosity, 2. Clearly Articulate the Learning Goal and Expectations, 3. Scaffold and Practice Essential Prerequisite Skills, 4. Introduce New Vocabulary and Review Prior Vocabulary, 5. Dip into the New Concept, and 6. Conduct Formative Assessment Frequently).

Person Responsible Karen Mallory (malloryk@pcsb.org)

Teachers utilize systemic documents (adopted curriculum, pacing guides, etc.) to effectively plan for mathematics units that incorporate the Mathematical Thinking and Reasoning Standards and rigorous performance tasks aligned to the B.E.S.T. Benchmarks for Mathematics.

Person Responsible Christopher Alford (alfordch@pcsb.org)

Teachers provide students with at least 1 differentiated learning opportunity within each unit of instruction that addresses either 1) the students' mathematical readiness, 2) the students' interests as related to the mathematics they are learning, and/or 3) the students' choice of how to learn the material (learner profile).

Person Responsible Christopher Alford (alfordch@pcsb.org)

Teachers utilize IXL's Diagnostic Arena to have students address mathematical skills gaps from their individualized Action Plans with an emphasis on utilizing the program outside of the school day to extend learning beyond the classroom.

Person Responsible Christopher Alford (alfordch@pcsb.org)

#### #6. ESSA Subgroup specifically relating to Black/African-American

**Area of Focus Description and** Rationale: that explains how it was identified as a critical need from the data

reviewed.

Our current level of performance is 19% of our students are proficient on the 2022 FSA ELA and on the 2022 FSA Math. The problem/gap in ELA is occurring because **Include a rationale** students are not being challenged with higher order thinking questions on a routine basis which allows them to actively participate in the learning. The problem/gap in Math is occurring because learning targets and learning tasks are not differentiated to address student readiness, interest, and learning profile of the students with regards to mathematics.

Measurable Outcome: State the specific measurable outcome the school plans to achieve. This should be a data based, objective outcome.

We expect our performance level to increase from 19% to 34% of our SWD students meeting proficiency by Spring 2023 Progress Monitoring assessment F.A.S.T. in ELA and from 19% to 34% in Math.

Monitoring: Describe how this Area of Focus will

be monitored for the desired outcome.

Monitoring will occur through daily walkthroughs, as well as an analysis of data, both formal and informal.

Person responsible for monitoring outcome:

Kristy Therrien (therrienk@pcsb.org)

Evidence-based Strategy:

Describe the evidence-based strategy being implemented for this Area of Focus.

Rationale for

Enhance staff capacity to identify content from the BEST Benchmarks that will create opportunities for collaboration around higher order thinking questions and allow students to enter a productive struggle and implement Culturally Relevant Teaching with fidelity.

Evidence-based Strategy: **Explain the** rationale for selecting this specific strategy. Describe the resources/criteria used for selecting this strategy.

Implement Culturally Relevant Teaching (CRT) with fidelity, which engages scholars more effectively in the learning process. It is based on the pedagogy in which every scholar brings specific cultural enhancements to the classroom. As teachers incorporate those cultural strengths into their instruction, scholars will more actively engage in this supportive environment and the problem would be reduced by 15%.

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

List the action steps that will be taken as part of this strategy to address the Area of Focus. Identify the person responsible for monitoring each step.

Teachers meet in PLCs at least twice per month to share ways they are incorporating HOT Qs and collaboration into their lessons and what effect placing students in the productive struggle is having on student growth. In PLCs teachers also share ways to support students who continue to struggle with engagement in collaboration around complex tasks like HOT Qs.

Person Responsible

Kristy Therrien (therrienk@pcsb.org)

Teachers utilize systemic documents (adopted curriculum, pacing guides, etc.) to effectively plan for mathematics units that incorporate the Mathematical Thinking and Reasoning Standards and rigorous performance tasks aligned to the B.E.S.T. Benchmarks for Mathematics.

Person Responsible

Christopher Alford (alfordch@pcsb.org)

Teachers provide students with at least 1 differentiated learning opportunity within each unit of instruction that addresses either 1) the students' mathematical readiness, 2) the students' interests as related to the mathematics they are learning, and/or 3) the students' choice of how to learn the material (learner profile).

Person

Responsible

Christopher Alford (alfordch@pcsb.org)

ELA and reading teachers receive professional development around B.E.S.T. Benchmarks, HOT Questions, and collaborative structures.

Person

Responsible

Karen Mallory (malloryk@pcsb.org)

Teachers will facilitate a 15-minute SEL (Social-Emotional Learning) block each day, which includes circle discussions and cultural activities centered on social and emotional issues impacting the learning environment.

Person

Responsible

Karen Mallory (malloryk@pcsb.org)

#### #7. ESSA Subgroup specifically relating to English Language Learners

Area of Focus
Description and
Rationale:
Include a rationale
that explains how it
was identified as a
critical need from the

Our current level of performance is 20% of our students are proficient on the 2022 FSA ELA and 28% on the FSA Math. The problem/gap is occurring because students are not being challenged with higher order thinking questions on a routine basis in ELA and challenged with rigorous instruction in math, which allows them to actively participate in the learning.

#### **Measurable Outcome:**

data reviewed.

State the specific measurable outcome the school plans to achieve. This should be a data based, objective outcome.

We expect our performance level to increase from 20% to 35% of our ELL students meeting proficiency by Spring 2023 Progress Monitoring assessment F.A.S.T. in ELA and from 28% to 43% in Math.

#### Monitoring:

Describe how this Area of Focus will be monitored for the desired outcome.

Monitoring will occur through daily walkthroughs, as well as an analysis of data, both formal and informal.

## Person responsible

for monitoring outcome:

[no one identified]

#### **Evidence-based**

Strategy:
Describe the
evidence-based
strategy being
implemented for this
Area of Focus.

Enhance staff capacity to identify content from the BEST Benchmarks that will create opportunities for collaboration around higher order thinking questions and allow students to enter a productive struggle and implement Culturally Relevant Teaching with fidelity.

#### Rationale for Evidence-based

Strategy:

strategy.

Explain the rationale for selecting this specific strategy. Describe the resources/criteria used for selecting this

Implement Culturally Relevant Teaching (CRT) with fidelity, which engages scholars more effectively in the learning process. It is based on the pedagogy in which every scholar brings specific cultural enhancements to the classroom. As teachers incorporate those cultural strengths into their instruction, scholars will more actively engage in this supportive environment and the problem would be reduced by 15%.

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

List the action steps that will be taken as part of this strategy to address the Area of Focus. Identify the person responsible for monitoring each step.

Teachers meet in PLCs at least twice per month to share ways they are incorporating HOT Qs and collaboration into their lessons and what effect placing students in the productive struggle is having on student growth. In PLCs teachers also share ways to support students who continue to struggle with engagement in collaboration around complex tasks like HOT Qs.

**Person Responsible** Kristy Therrien (therrienk@pcsb.org)

Administrators monitor and support the implementation of the use of grade-appropriate B.E.S.T. complex texts and connected tasks, like HOT Q's in reading and ELA classrooms through classroom observation.

#### **Person Responsible** Karen Mallory (malloryk@pcsb.org)

Teachers utilize systemic documents (adopted curriculum, pacing guides, etc.) to effectively plan for mathematics units that incorporate the Mathematical Thinking and Reasoning Standards and rigorous performance tasks aligned to the B.E.S.T. Benchmarks for Mathematics.

#### Person Responsible Christopher Alford (alfordch@pcsb.org)

Teachers provide students with at least 1 differentiated learning opportunity within each unit of instruction that addresses either 1) the students' mathematical readiness, 2) the students' interests as related to the mathematics they are learning, and/or 3) the students' choice of how to learn the material (learner profile).

#### Person Responsible Christopher Alford (alfordch@pcsb.org)

ELA and reading teachers receive professional development around B.E.S.T. Benchmarks, HOT Questions, and collaborative structures.

#### **Person Responsible** Karen Mallory (malloryk@pcsb.org)

Teachers will facilitate a 15-minute SEL (Social-Emotional Learning) block each day, which includes circle discussions and cultural activities centered on social and emotional issues impacting the learning environment.

#### Person Responsible Karen Mallory (malloryk@pcsb.org)

Place students in the appropriate level ELA class to ensure they are being challenged with the right amount of rigor, including placing high Level 2 EL scholars in an Intensive Reading class using the Acceleration Framework (1. Generate Thinking, Purpose, Relevance, and Curiosity, 2. Clearly Articulate the Learning Goal and Expectations, 3. Scaffold and Practice Essential Prerequisite Skills, 4. Introduce New Vocabulary and Review Prior Vocabulary, 5. Dip into the New Concept, and 6. Conduct Formative Assessment Frequently).

**Person Responsible** Karen Mallory (malloryk@pcsb.org)

#### #8. Transformational Leadership specifically relating to Teacher Recruitment and Retention

**Area of Focus Description and** Rationale:

Include a rationale that explains how it was

identified as a critical need from the data reviewed.

According to the National Center for Education Statistics (NCES), 8% of teachers leave the profession yearly and another 8% move to other schools, bringing the total annual turnover rate to 16%. As the 2021-2022 school year ended and the 2022-2023 school year approached, 21 teachers left and 21 new teachers were hired of the 44 allocated, which placed our turnover rate at 48%.

Measurable Outcome:

State the specific measurable outcome the school plans to

achieve. This should be a data based, objective outcome.

We expect our recruitment and retention rate to decrease from 48% to 16%.

Monitoring:

of Focus will be monitored for the desired outcome.

Describe how this Area This will be monitored through Core Value Recognition: Children, Families, & Community; Respectful & Caring Relationships; Cultural Competence; Integrity; Responsibility; and Connectedness.

Person responsible for monitoring outcome:

Kristy Therrien (therrienk@pcsb.org)

Evidence-based

Strategy:

Describe the evidencebased strategy being implemented for this Area of Focus.

The PCS Praise Program will be utilized, as well as school-based employee recognition programs, teacher focus groups which meet with the principal, and an employee support system.

Rationale for Evidencebased Strategy: **Explain the rationale** for selecting this specific strategy.

Describe the resources/criteria used for selecting this strategy.

If we focus on Core Values Recognition, listening to our teachers, and supporting them, the recruitment and retention rate problem would be alleviated by 35%.

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

List the action steps that will be taken as part of this strategy to address the Area of Focus. Identify the person responsible for monitoring each step.

Implement the PCS Praise program.

Person Responsible Kristy Therrien (therrienk@pcsb.org)

Meet bi-weekly with teachers on the Principal Focus Group.

Kristy Therrien (therrienk@pcsb.org) Person Responsible

Meet frequently with teachers to understand their concerns and offer support as needed.

Person Responsible Kristy Therrien (therrienk@pcsb.org)

Implement a tired teacher mentor program, which pairs new teachers with buddy teachers.

Person Responsible Christopher Alford (alfordch@pcsb.org)

Conduct periodic social gatherings for teachers.

**Person Responsible** Kristy Therrien (therrienk@pcsb.org)

#### **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 is critical in formulating a statement of vision, mission, values, goals, and employing school improvement strategies that impact the school culture and environment. 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.

#### Describe how the school addresses building a positive school culture and environment.

The school will ensure consistent classroom and school wide policies and follow through. . We will implement our PBIS program and increase both staff and scholar celebrations on a routine basis. We will continue to support one another and work collaboratively to grow ourselves and our scholars. We will assume positive intent and create an empowered mindset.

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

All Staff will work together to keep the school focused and positive.

Administration will support all staff members while building relationships.

All teachers will build relationships with their scholars while providing meaningful, rigorous, standard based instruction that meets the needs of the scholars.

All staff will focus on supporting the scholars and other staff members while speaking positively and uplifting the staff and scholars.

All staff will align their way of work to the district's six core values: cultural competence; integrity; responsibility; connectedness; and commitment to children, families and community.