Miami-Dade County Public Schools

North Gardens High School



2022-23 Schoolwide Improvement Plan

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North Gardens High School

4692F NW 183RD ST, Miami Gardens, FL 33055

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Demographics

Principal: Laura De Ferre IR A

Start Date for this Principal: 8/15/2022

2019-20 Status	Active
(per MSID File)	Active
School Type and Grades Served (per MSID File)	High School 9-12
Primary Service Type (per MSID File)	Alternative Education
2021-22 Title I School	No
2021-22 Economically Disadvantaged (FRL) Rate (as reported on Survey 3)	27%
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* Black/African American Students* Hispanic Students* Economically Disadvantaged Students*
School Grades History	2021-22: No Grade 2020-21: No Grade 2018-19: No Grade 2017-18: No Grade
2019-20 School Improvement (SI) Info	ormation*
SI Region	Southeast
Regional Executive Director	<u>LaShawn Russ-Porterfield</u>
Turnaround Option/Cycle	N/A
Year	
Support Tier	
ESSA Status	CSI
* As defined under Rule 6A-1.099811, Florida Administrative Code. F	or more information, <u>click here</u> .

School Board Approval

This plan is pending approval by the Dade 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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High School 9-12	No	27%
Primary Service Type (per MSID File)	Charter School	2018-19 Minority Rate (Reported as Non-white on Survey 2)
Alternative Education	Yes	98%
School Grades History		
Year Grade	2012-13	2011-12

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Part I: School Information

School Mission and Vision

Provide the school's mission statement.

The mission of North Gardens High School is to help at risk students earn a standard high school diploma and prepare for post secondary success.

Provide the school's vision statement.

The vision of North Gardens High School is to provide quality education to all students regardless of their life circumstances, recognizing that at risk students have different needs, learn at different rates, and have diverse learning styles which cause many of these at risk students to drop out of school.

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
Ferreira Vesga, Laura	Principal	1. Providing instructional leadership, contractual accountability, and day-to-day leadership of educational and operational activities of the school 2. Recruiting, hiring, and retaining highly qualified school staff 3. Leading all initiatives to ensure school meets defined instructional goals 4. Collecting and analyzing school data as the basis for monitoring and improving the school's measurable outcomes and contractual obligations with a focus on a cycle of continuous improvement. 5. Monitoring and evaluating staff performance systematically and regularly provide staff feedback and develop professional growth plans when necessary. Follow through with progressive discipline when expectations are not met. 6. Leading staff to accomplish the defined accountability measures to include contractual obligations and federal, state, and district requirements. 7. Fostering effective communication and relationships with all internal and external stakeholders which would include the company's mission and vision, performance results, school activities, and other information pertinent to the individual stakeholder groups: Staff Students Parents School district personnel Charter School Board of Directors Referring schools District representatives Community partners Other stakeholders as identified
Stephens, Rochelle	Assistant Principal	 Managing the academic progress of students; maintaining a climate conducive to teaching and learning; ensuring effective delivery and improvement of instruction; supervising, mentoring, and developing instructional staff; and ensuring that the school meets its defined goals. Implementing research-based instructional practices aligned with the state standards. Overseeing all aspects of the core academic program to include, but not be limited to: Ensure fidelity of implementation of all approved academic software, off-line curriculum and assessments Development of Individual Success Plans (ISP) Ensure student academic records are accurate and up to date On-going individual student academic advising Student preparation and staff administration of all standardized assessments Compliance with Exceptional Student Education (ESE) and English for Speakers of Other Languages (ESOL) requirements The Assistant Principal collaborates with the principal to supervise and retain highly qualified instructional staff, ensuring instructional staff meets expectations for performance accountability, professional development initiatives in order to ensure that student educational and behavioral goals and objectives are achieved.

Demographic Information

Principal start date

Monday 8/15/2022, Laura De Ferre IR A

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.

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.

Total number of teacher positions allocated to the school

13

Total number of students enrolled at the school

420

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

1

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

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													
mulcator	K	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	Total
Number of students enrolled	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	14	42	152	214	422
Attendance below 90 percent	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	12	48	125	187
One or more suspensions	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Course failure in ELA	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	12	11	10	33
Course failure in Math	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	10	14	24	50
Level 1 on 2022 statewide FSA ELA assessment	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	8	32	8	195	243
Level 1 on 2022 statewide FSA Math assessment	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	7	8	7	185	207
Number of students with a substantial reading deficiency	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	8	25	6	172	211

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						(3ra	de	Lev	/el				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	12	39	139	209	399

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

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

Date this data was collected or last updated

Tuesday 8/30/2022

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

Indicator	Grade Level														
mulcator	K	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	Total	
Number of students enrolled	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	40	80	187	311	
Attendance below 90 percent	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		
One or more suspensions	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		
Course failure in ELA	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	5	10	17	
Course failure in Math	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	1	3	7	
Level 1 on 2019 statewide FSA ELA assessment	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		
Level 1 on 2019 statewide FSA Math assessment	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		
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						Gr	ade	Le	vel	l				Total
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Students with two or more indicators	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	5	30	98	135

The number of students identified as retainees:

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

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One or more suspensions	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		
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Students retained two or more times		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		54%	51%					59%	56%
ELA Learning Gains								54%	51%
ELA Lowest 25th Percentile								48%	42%
Math Achievement		42%	38%					54%	51%
Math Learning Gains								52%	48%
Math Lowest 25th Percentile								51%	45%
Science Achievement		41%	40%					68%	68%
Social Studies Achievement		56%	48%					76%	73%

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		
				MATH				
Grade	Year	School	District	School- District St Comparison		School- State Comparison		
			S	SCIENCE				
Grade	Year	School	District	School- District Comparison	State	School- State Comparison		
			BIO	LOGY EOC				
Year	School		District	School Minus District	State	School Minus State		
2022								
2019	1	12%	68%	-56%	67%	-55%		
			CI	VICS EOC				
Year	School		School District		State	School Minus State		
2022								
2019								
	•		HIS	TORY EOC	•			
Year	So	chool	District	School Minus District	State	School Minus State		
2022								
2019		17%	71%	-54%	70%	-53%		
			ALG	EBRA EOC				
Year	So	School District		School District		School Minus District	State	School Minus State
2022								
2019		0%	63%	-63%	61%	-61%		
			GEO	METRY EOC				
Year	So	chool	District	School Minus District	State	School Minus State		
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Subgroup Data Review

5%

2022 2019

-49%

57%

54%

-52%

		2022	SCHOO	DL GRAD	E COMP	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										26	
ELL										16	8
BLK										26	13
HSP										20	19
WHT										29	
FRL		9		8						23	14
		2021	SCHOO	DL GRAD	E COMF	ONENT	S BY SU	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										14	
ELL										24	6
BLK										22	36
HSP										23	10
FRL										24	23
		2019	SCHOO	DL GRAD	E COMF	ONENT	S BY SU	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											
ELL										3	
BLK				5				17		8	
HSP								13		6	
FRL										5	

ESSA Data Review

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

This data has not been updated for the 2022-25 school year.						
ESSA Federal Index						
ESSA Category (TS&I or CS&I)	CSI					
OVERALL Federal Index – All Students	15					
OVERALL Federal Index Below 41% All Students	YES					
Total Number of Subgroups Missing the Target	6					
Progress of English Language Learners in Achieving English Language Proficiency	25					
Total Points Earned for the Federal Index	92					
Total Components for the Federal Index	6					
Percent Tested	91%					
Subgroup Data						
Students With Disabilities						
Federal Index - Students With Disabilities	26					

Students With Disabilities	
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	16
English Language Learners Subgroup Below 41% in the Current Year?	YES
Number of Consecutive Years English Language Learners Subgroup Below 32%	3
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	
Asian Students Subgroup Below 41% in the Current Year?	N/A
Number of Consecutive Years Asian Students Subgroup Below 32%	0
Black/African American Students	
Federal Index - Black/African American Students	10
Black/African American Students Subgroup Below 41% in the Current Year?	YES
Number of Consecutive Years Black/African American Students Subgroup Below 32%	3
Hispanic Students	
Federal Index - Hispanic Students	21
Hispanic Students Subgroup Below 41% in the Current Year?	YES
Number of Consecutive Years Hispanic Students Subgroup Below 32%	3
Multiracial Students	
Federal Index - Multiracial Students	
Multiracial Students Subgroup Below 41% in the Current Year?	N/A
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	29				
White Students Subgroup Below 41% in the Current Year?	YES				
Number of Consecutive Years White Students Subgroup Below 32%	1				
Economically Disadvantaged Students					

Economically Disadvantaged Students	
Federal Index - Economically Disadvantaged Students	12
Economically Disadvantaged Students Subgroup Below 41% in the Current Year?	YES
Number of Consecutive Years Economically Disadvantaged Students Subgroup Below 32%	3

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?

Reading and Math has been the lowest performance data components. The student population at North Gardens HS is behind at least two grade levels and about 85% of our student population has not met the state assessment minimum passing score in Reading & Algebra 1.

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

Math learning gains were 86%, ELA Reading data demonstrates the greatest need for improvement at North Gardens HS. ELA learning gains for the 2021/2022 school year was 41%.

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

The student population who enroll at Kendall North Gardens High School, transfer from various schools within

the district, out of the district, and out of the country. Many students have instructional gaps and have been out of school for 1 or more years. Also, a majority of students who enroll are behind in academic credits, hence seeking the support of our alternative program.

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

Performance in mathematics showed the most improvement demonstrating learning gains at 86% compared to 41% learning gains in ELA.

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

Engagement and attendance for tutoring, small group instruction and DI was higher on average than the reading. Additionally many ESOL students are able to pass the math but not the reading or writing portions of the FSA.

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

Weekly, daily and monthly interventions will need to be implemented to address the deficiencies noted on state assessments and progress monitoring.

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.

Professional development days will focus on best practices and progress monitoring to address students' needs. Weekly data chats and departmental meetings with instructional staff.

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

Continuous monitoring of standards within state assessments and progress monitoring resources will be used to guide instruction.

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.

Area of growth in ELA is identified as an area of growth (41 ELA vs 86 math).

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

Students at North Gardens will raise their overall ELA learning gains by 2 percentage points by June of 2023 as evident in their State Assessment administration scores and as reflected on the School Improvement Rating (SIR).

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

Administration will conduct regular walkthroughs to ensure advisory teachers are providing at least one hour of full direct instruction in benchmarks related to reading and writing. Interventionists will conduct pull out and push ins to work with the lowest 25th percentile in areas of need as identified by their baseline and diagnostic assessments.

Person responsible for monitoring outcome:

Laura Ferreira Vesga (955685@dadeschools.net)

Evidence-based Strategy:

Describe the evidencebased strategy being implemented for this Area of Focus. Level 1 and 2 students will receive targeted reading interventions on a daily basis to increase achievement levels.

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

Students who have been identified as having deficits in reading benefit from differentiated instruction to address and target their individual learning needs. Creating specially designed instruction in academic areas of need, as well as providing test taking strategies will increase students' learning gains and higher test results in standardized assessments.

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.

Reading coach will begin reading interventions by the third week of school, after analyzing all data related to student diagnostic and baseline scores in reading. The assistant principal will drive weekly data chats with the reading coaches based on feedback rom leadership team meetings.

Person Responsible Laura Ferreira Vesga (955685@dadeschools.net)

Using Reading Plus reports and internal assessment data from standardized tests, students will be identified for Saturday tutoring sessions where students can receive additional support in their areas of weakness. The principal will drive weekly huddles with Saturday staff to review attendance, participation and student progress.

Person Responsible Laura Ferreira Vesga (955685@dadeschools.net)

Staff will participate in 3 reading and writing best practices professional development sessions targeted on test taking strategies and using writing across the curriculum.

Person Responsible Laura Ferreira Vesga (955685@dadeschools.net)

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.

To build a positive school culture our school engages in a various meaningful parent and student activities aim to increase student achievement, motivation and create an overall positive learning environment.

- 1. We celebrate personal student achievement and positive behavior. Advisory teacher rewards student's achievement in academic programs (Reading Plus) through certificates of achievement, pizza parties, and other tangible and non-tangible rewards.
- 2. Teachers maintain consistent parent communication. Teachers call parents daily to inquire about students' absence. Teachers call parents/guardians weekly to provide updates on student's overall behavior, and at least once per month, teachers make a positive phone call. All forms of communication are documented in our STARS communication log.
- 3. Parents and students are invited to our quarterly EESAC Meeting. A committee composed of parents, teachers, students, and a business/community partner is selected to be part of the school improvement monitoring plan.
- 4. Via email, parents receive weekly automatic updates from the Apex gradebook regarding their child's performance in each academic course (completion rate, hours spent in each class, average grade in each class).
- 5. New students receive a two-day orientation to prepare them to use our curriculum successfully and adequately.
- 6. Upon registration, prospect students and their parents are provided a one-on-one tour of the school and provided access to visit classrooms and common areas.
- 7. Teachers and support staff schedule meetings with parents at the request of the family or teacher. We encourage face-to-face meetings when possible, and when allowable to provide meaningful meetings.
- 8. Teachers establish classroom rules and school norms that build valuable instruction.
- 9. Discipline is set consistently and addressed immediately by teacher and administration. On a daily basis, the principal meets individually with students at onset of inappropriate behavior and parents are called. Students are then reminded or expectations and rules.
- 10. The Family Support Specialist (FSS), Exceptional Student Education Specialist, and Career Coach provide students and families information and linkage to outside community programs and services as necessary to meet their individual needs.
- 11. The school partners with outside community agencies that can service students throughout the year by visiting campus and providing opportunities to succeed (colleges, nonprofit organizations, mentoring programs, etc.)
- 12. The school maintains a positive physical environment by displaying inspirational quotes and mottos

from historical and/or culturally relevant role models throughout the hallways that student can read as they transition. Teachers also provide flexible seating space in their classroom to work in small groups when needed.

13. Teachers model the behaviors we want students to display in our school.

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

All school staff takes part in creating and promoting a positive culture and environment at the school. From the enrollment specialist as she tours parents through the school and explains the instructional model of the program, to the secretary who greets parents at the door with a smile. Every member of our faculty and staff provides meaningful elements that create a positive atmosphere. Teachers greet students at the door at entry. Teachers update their bulletin boards with student achievement, and culturally relevant instructional tools. Teacher maintain daily communication with parents/guardians and students. Administration addressed undesired behaviors immediately, and provide resources (tools, tips, strategies) to help increase desired behaviors. As a team, the entire school-body values student's cultural backgrounds, diversity and learning styles.