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2013-2014 SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT PLAN

Early Education Center

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School Demographics

School Type Elementary School	Title I No	Free and Reduced Lunch Rate <i>[Data Not Available]</i>
Alternative/ESE Center No	Charter School No	Minority Rate <i>[Data Not Available]</i>

School Grades History

SIP Authority and Template

Section 1001.42(18), Florida Statutes (F.S.), requires district school boards to annually approve and require implementation of a school improvement plan (SIP) for each school in the district.

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, as marked by citations to the No Child Left Behind (NCLB) Act of 2001. This template is required by State Board of Education Rule 6A-1.099811, Florida Administrative Code (F.A.C.), for all non-charter schools with a current grade of D or F, or with a grade of F within the prior two years. For all other schools, the district may use a template of its choosing. All districts must submit annual assurances that their plans meet statutory requirements.

This document was prepared by school and district leadership using the FDOE's school improvement planning web application located at <https://www.floridacims.org>. Sections marked "N/A" by the user and any performance data representing fewer than 10 students or educators have been excluded from this document.

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Purpose and Outline of the SIP

The SIP is intended to be the primary artifact used by every school with stakeholders to review data, set goals, create an action plan and monitor progress. A corollary at the district level is the District Improvement and Assistance Plan (DIAP), designed to help district leadership make the necessary connections between school and district goals in order to align resources. The Florida Department of Education encourages schools to use the SIP as a “living document” by continually updating, refining and using the plan to guide their work throughout the year. This printed version represents the SIP as of the “Date Modified” listed in the footer.

Part I: Current School Status

Part I summarizes school leadership, staff qualifications and strategies for recruiting, mentoring and retaining strong teachers. The school’s Multi-Tiered System of Supports (MTSS) is described in detail to show how data is used by stakeholders to understand the needs of all students and allocate appropriate resources in proportion to those needs. The school also summarizes its efforts in a few specific areas, such as its use of increased learning time and strategies to support literacy, preschool transition and college and career readiness.

Part II: Expected Improvements

Part II outlines school performance data in the prior year and sets numeric targets for the coming year in ten areas:

1. Reading
2. Writing
3. Mathematics
4. Science
5. Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM)
6. Career and Technical Education (CTE)
7. Social Studies
8. Early Warning Systems (EWS)
9. Parental Involvement
10. Other areas of concern to the school

With this overview of the current state of the school in mind and the outcomes they hope to achieve, the planning team engages in an 8-Step Planning and Problem-Solving Process, through which they define and refine their goals (Step 1), identify and prioritize problems (barriers) keeping them from reaching those goals (Steps 2-3), design a plan to help them implement strategies to resolve those barriers (Steps 4-7), and determine how they will monitor progress toward each goal (Step 8).

Part III: Coordination and Integration

Part III is required for Title I schools and describes how federal, state and local funds are coordinated and integrated to ensure student needs are met.

Appendix 1: Professional Development Plan to Support Goals

Appendix 1 is the professional development plan, which outlines any training or support needed for stakeholders to meet the goals.

Appendix 2: Budget to Support Goals

Appendix 2 is the budget needed to implement the strategies identified in the plan.

Differentiated Accountability

Florida's Differentiated Accountability (DA) system is a statewide network of strategic support, differentiated by need according to performance data, and provided to schools and districts in order to improve leadership capacity, teacher efficacy and student outcomes. DA field teams collaborate with district and school leadership to design, implement and refine school improvement plans, as well as provide instructional coaching, as needed.

DA Regions

Florida's DA network is divided into five geographical regions, each served by a field team led by a regional executive director (RED).

DA Categories

Traditional public schools are classified at the start of each school year, based upon the most recently released school grades (A-F), into one of the following categories:

- Not in DA – currently A or B with no F in prior two years; all charter schools; all ungraded schools
- Monitoring Only – currently A or B with at least one F in the prior two years
- Prevent – currently C
- Focus – currently D
 - Year 1 – declined to D, or first-time graded schools receiving a D
 - Year 2 – second consecutive D, or F followed by a D
 - Year 3 or more – third or more consecutive D, or F followed by second consecutive D
- Priority – currently F
 - Year 1 – declined to F, or first-time graded schools receiving an F
 - Year 2 or more – second or more consecutive F

DA Turnaround and Monitoring Statuses

Additionally, schools in DA are subject to one or more of the following Turnaround and Monitoring Statuses:

- Former F – currently A-D with at least one F in the prior two years. SIP is monitored by FDOE.
- Post-Priority Planning – currently A-D with an F in the prior year. District is planning for possible turnaround.
- Planning – Focus Year 2 and Priority Year 1. District is planning for possible turnaround.
- Implementing – Focus Year 3 or more and Priority Year 2 or more. District is implementing the Turnaround Option Plan (TOP).

2013-14 DA Category and Statuses

DA Category	Region	RED
Not in DA	N/A	N/A

Former F	Post-Priority Planning	Planning	Implementing TOP
No	No	No	No

Current School Status

School Information

School-Level Information

School

Early Education Center

Principal

Dr. Sharon Goodman

School Advisory Council chair

Renee Tanner

Names and position titles of the School-Based Leadership Team (SBLT)

Name

Title

District-Level Information

District

Desoto

Superintendent

Dr. Karyn Gary

Date of school board approval of SIP

9/24/2013

School Advisory Council (SAC)

This section meets the requirements of Section 1114(b)(1), P.L. 107-110, NCLB, codified at 20 U.S.C. § 6314(b).

Membership of the SAC

The Desoto Early Childhood Center SAC consists of members from staff, parents and business volunteers.

Involvement of the SAC in the development of the SIP

The SAC provides input into SIP and approves for submission.

Activities of the SAC for the upcoming school year

DECC SAC meets bi-monthly. 2013-14 dates are: Oct. 2013; Dec. 2013; Feb. 2014 and April 2014

Projected use of school improvement funds, including the amount allocated to each project

All funds allocated to SAC will be used to purchase classroom supplies to be used by children.

Compliance with section 1001.452, F.S., regarding the establishment duties of the SAC

In Compliance

If not in compliance, describe the measures being taken to comply with SAC requirements

Highly Qualified Staff

This section meets the requirements of Sections 1114(b)(1)(C) and 1115(c)(1)(E), P.L. 107-110, NCLB, codified at 20 U.S.C. § 6314(b).

Administrators**# of administrators**

1

receiving effective rating or higher

(not entered because basis is < 10)

Administrator Information:**Dr. Sharon Goodman**

Principal

Years as Administrator: 25

Years at Current School: 25

Credentials

Bachelor's, Master's, Educational Specialist, and Doctorate degrees

Performance Record

Highly Effective

Instructional Coaches**# of instructional coaches**

0

receiving effective rating or higher

(not entered because basis is < 10)

Instructional Coach Information:

Part-time / District-based

Years as Coach:

Years at Current School:

Areas

[none selected]

Credentials**Performance Record****Classroom Teachers****# of classroom teachers**

4

receiving effective rating or higher

(not entered because basis is < 10)

Highly Qualified Teachers

0%

certified in-field

4, 100%

ESOL endorsed

3, 75%

reading endorsed

, 0%

with advanced degrees

2, 50%

National Board Certified

, 0%

first-year teachers

1, 25%

with 1-5 years of experience

1, 25%

with 6-14 years of experience

, 0%

with 15 or more years of experience

2, 50%

Education Paraprofessionals**# of paraprofessionals**

14

Highly Qualified

, 0%

Other Instructional Personnel**# of instructional personnel not captured in the sections above**

0

receiving effective rating or higher

(not entered because basis is < 10)

Teacher Recruitment and Retention Strategies

This section meets the requirements of Section 1114(b)(1)(E), P.L. 107-110, NCLB, codified at 20 U.S.C. § 6314(b).

Strategies to recruit and retain highly qualified, certified-in-field, effective teachers to the school, including the person responsible

Dr. Goodman, school Principal is charged with he responsibility of making certain that candidates meet the qualifications to teach VPK.

Teacher Mentoring Program/Plan

This section meets the requirements of Sections 1114(b)(1)(D) and 1115(c)(1)(F), P.L. 107-110, NCLB, codified at 20 U.S.C. § 6314(b).

Teacher mentoring program/plan, including the rationale for pairings and the planned mentoring activities

Our school's teachers follow the district's beginning teacher mentoring program.

Multi-Tiered System of Supports (MTSS) / Response to Intervention (RtI)

This section meets the requirements of Sections 1114(b)(1)(B)(i)-(iv) and 1115(c)(1)(A)-(C), P.L. 107-110, NCLB, codified at 20 U.S.C. § 6314(b).

Data-based problem-solving processes for the implementation and monitoring of MTSS and SIP structures to address effectiveness of core instruction, resource allocation (funding and staffing), teacher support systems, and small group and individual student needs

DECC uses the state's VPK assessment data from pre-midyear-and post tests to implement lessons, individualize instruction and provide parent feedback as to the progress of their children.

Function and responsibility of each school-based leadership team member as related to MTSS and the SIP

NA

Systems in place that the leadership team uses to monitor the fidelity of the school's MTSS and SIP

The SAC meets and reviews the SIP on a bimonthly basis to endure the fidelity of implementation.

Data source(s) and management system(s) used to access and analyze data to monitor the effectiveness of core, supplemental, and intensive supports in reading, mathematics, science, writing, and engagement

Data sources used at DECC are the Florida Standards for Four Year Olds and The Comprehensive Let's Begin With The Letter People curriculum

Plan to support understanding of MTSS and build capacity in data-based problem solving for staff and parents

Parents attend parent night session to receive training on the early childhood programs implemented at DECC. Parents are also encouraged to serve as volunteers in our program.

Increased Learning Time/Extended Learning Opportunities

This section meets the requirements of Sections 1114(b)(1)(B)(ii)(II)-(III), 1114(b)(1)(I), and 1115(c)(1)(C)(i) and 1115(c)(2), P.L. 107-110, NCLB, codified at 20 U.S.C. § 6314(b).

Research-based strategies the school uses to increase the amount and quality of learning time and help provide an enriched and accelerated curriculum:

Strategy: Before or After School Program

Minutes added to school year: 32

Students are on site from 7:00am- 5:00pm Monday through Friday and are provided planned educational activities throughout the daily routine.

Strategy Purpose(s)

- Instruction in core academic subjects
- Enrichment activities that contribute to a well-rounded education
- Teacher collaboration, planning and professional development

How is data collected and analyzed to determine the effectiveness of this strategy?

Each child is given a pre test to determine their developmental preparedness as they enter DECC. They are given a mid year assessment to determine how growth is occurring and an end of the year assessment which shows the children's growth throughout the school year.

Who is responsible for monitoring implementation of this strategy?

The teachers and Principal are responsible for the implementation of this strategy.

Literacy Leadership Team (LLT)

Names and position titles of the members of the school-based LLT

Name	Title
NA	

How the school-based LLT functions

NA

Major initiatives of the LLT

NA

Every Teacher Contributes to Reading Instruction

How the school ensures every teacher contributes to the reading improvement of every student

NA

Preschool Transition

This section meets the requirements of Sections 1114(b)(1)(G) and 1115(c)(1)(D), P.L. 107-110, NCLB, codified at 20 U.S.C. § 6314(b).

Strategies for assisting preschool children in transition from early childhood programs to local elementary school programs

NA

College and Career Readiness

This section meets the requirements of Sections 1114(b)(1)(B)(iii)(I)(aa)-(cc), P.L. 107-110, NCLB, codified at 20 U.S.C. § 6314(b).

How the school incorporates applied and integrated courses to help students see the relationships between subjects and relevance to their future

How the school promotes academic and career planning, including advising on course selections, so that each student's course of study is personally meaningful

Strategies for improving student readiness for the public postsecondary level

Expected Improvements

This section meets the requirements of Sections 1114(b)(1)(A),(H), and (I), and 1115(c)(1)(A), P.L. 107-110, NCLB, codified at 20 U.S.C. § 6314(b).

Area 9: Parent Involvement

Title I Schools may use the Parent Involvement Plan to meet the requirements of Sections 1114(b)(1)(F) and 1115(c)(1)(G), P.L. 107-110, NCLB, codified at 20 U.S.C. § 6314(b).

Parental involvement targets for the school

Ninety-five percent of parents of students enrolled at DECC will be involved in their child's education by volunteering at least 10 hours during the school year.

Specific Parental Involvement Targets

Target	2013 Actual #	2013 Actual %	2014 Target %
Parents	100	95%	95%