

Spring city Elementary school

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Transition Plan into Fifth Grade

The Title I school will support, coordinate, and integrate Title I services at the local educational agency or individual school level, including plans for the transition of participants from local elementary school programs to intermediate school programs.

Young adolescents transitioning from fourth to fifth grade have unique social, cognitive, emotional, and physical needs based on their changing minds, bodies, and school-settings. This change into the fifth grade includes interacting with more peers, teachers and older students, increasing responsibilities and expectations, keeping up with academic projects and long-term assignments, and participation in sports and extracurricular activities. Therefore, it is important to provide a plan that meets the developmental needs of every student. In order to facilitate student success, responsibility for transitional support must be shared among students, families, schools, and the community.

Key Components Include:

Build Collaboration between Elementary School and the Fifth Grade Center

- Student data is shared between 4th grade teachers and 5th grade teachers
- Reading and Math Specialists share student academic concerns and programs used to support the curriculum

Provide a developmentally appropriate environment to promote student transition and success

- In the spring the fifth-grade counselors visit with our students to share a PowerPoint presentation about the fifth-grade building. They cover a typical school day and the activities offered and expectations of the new school. Students are provided the opportunity to ask questions.

- After the counselor visit, a tour is scheduled of the fifth grade building. Students board a school bus and spend about an hour touring the school and asking additional questions.
- Following the student visit, parents are invited to attend an evening information session.
- Additional tours are available for students with high anxiety levels. Students are provided the opportunity to ask questions.

Develop programs on academic expectations and interpersonal relationship skills appropriate for adolescents

- The Guidance Counselor provides 9 classroom counseling lessons throughout the school year that focus on social skills, academic skills, and transitioning to the next grade level. The final lesson in fourth grade consists of a class meeting, to introduce the students to the class meeting format they'll use in fifth grade.

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