

September 29th School Improvement Team Meeting

Agenda

Current Plan & Written Processes

3:15-3:20: Welcome & Introductions: Lisa, LeAnn, Katie, Robert

3:20 -3:35: Review 19/20 Comprehensive Needs Assessment - Academic Needs

- Student Count - New methods this year with virtual learning
 - 75% count of 2019-202 and 25% count of 2020-2021. Our overall count is down this year. Believe it is due to the alternative methods being used at our feeder schools (remote learning/online learning). Looking for an influx in the future due to students getting behind.
- Data Analysis
 - Slight decrease in Math Scores
 - Slight decrease in Reading/English Scores
 - Flatlined Science Scores
- COVID epidemic in relation to future scores
 - Small classes for in seat students should help boost their scores but anticipate that the online students' scores may decrease due to lack of completing class or not able to fully understand the content through online learning. May show decrease in all areas because of COVID. We are trying our best to keep up with students, provide help, provide content tutoring, but we do need students to put in the same effort in order to decrease the fallout from COVID.

3:35-4:05: School Improvement Plan

- Schoolwide Reform: Great Expectations: We will continue with this as our school wide reform. We are unsure if we will continue to be a model school due to the high costs associated with Great Expectations, but we will continue to teach the practices to all staff, utilize them in the classroom and follow the 8 expectations, 17 teaching practices, and celebrations.
- Professional Development: Starr Commonwealth Trauma Informed & Great Expectations: Utilizing Starr Commonwealth for training this year and focusing more on trauma informed. Will begin to dip our toes into restorative practices and hopefully next year continue to explore restorative practices. Starr commonwealth is virtual so we don't have to worry about anything with a shutdown, we can work through the virtual program at our own pace.
- Parent Involvement in COVID times: This is a struggle, we will talk below about some more ideas to engage families, but at this time we haven't done much besides mailing and social media due to COVID.
- Goals:
 - Improve Academic Achievement with focus on Reading Comprehension

- NewsEla: Using the program in the English/Social Studies classroom still. May be utilized for reading intervention through Special Education classrooms.
 - Books/Magazines for reading in Seminar: This is a huge hit! The data being gathered recently is showing that just getting books in students hands and then actually reading is just as effective as a reading intervention program. We are hoping this also helps scores increase over time.
 - Lab experiments in Science rooms: Science teachers are working hard to get creative with labs since the kids can't be close to each other. Still plan to do some labs this year, but some may get cancelled because kids need to work side by side in order for the lab to be effective.
 - After School/Summer School: After school all subject tutoring has taken a hit with the limited students in seat, so we are focusing more on content tutoring after school where students can work 1 on 1 with the teacher by making an appointment with them. Summer School is up in the air but we do at least plan to have E2020 summer school, our summer book program, and possibly the math help summer class.
- Increase Family Engagement
 - Ideas to increase engagement when cant have gatherings at school?
 - Newsletter mailed to families with the facebook post information for those who do not follow our page/have social media.
 - Mail home sugar cookie kits for students to make cookies with family members. Students could enter the photo of their finished project for a school vote on the best looking cookies and that family could win an educational prize (cooking basket).
 - Make & Take Pottery kits to send home for families. Video could be taking of the process of making pottery and displayed for all families to see on social media.
 - Virtual Educational Scavenger Hunt
 - VIDA - United way tax prep program - host at school or virtually specifically for our parents and students. Will look into this closer to tax season.
 - School Beautification: We have beautified our garden out front, added a butterfly garden and brought in rocks to prevent weeds from growing in the summer. Rocks can be painted by students during the school year as part of the Bay City community rock painting/hiding program.
 - Community Resource Day - Virtual?
 - Get video clips of resources in the community and mash into a video to display on Social Media and/or host a zoom meeting to play the clips for those that do not have social media.
 - United way
 - 211

- Womens Center
- Teen Homeless Shelter
- MPA
- Bay Arenac Behavioral Health
- Michigan Works
- DHS
- Hidden Harvest
- MRS
- Health Department
- Welcome Back Event - Cancelled
- Family Bowling Night - Something virtual in place of?
 - Halloween Drive Thru Trick or Treating (need permission due to all the COVID restrictions and school COVID plans)
 - Bowling Alley still may be an option but won't do big group. Family bowling vouchers
- Career Exploration Event - Virtual? Recordings highlighted each month?
 - Highlight careers through video clips throughout the year
- College/Career Trip - can't do, but LCAN will do for 1st Gen students.
- Top Dog Mentor Parent Outreach? Is this possible with all of the other outreach requirements put on top dog teachers?
 - Newsletter to parents instead of top dog calling. There are too many protocols now of student contact to put parent contact on Top Dog teachers as well.
- Improve School Climate of Mutual Respect
 - Great Expectations Summer Institute - Cancelled
 - Friday ½ day activities: Volunteering at the food drive seems to be a big hit! Lots of kids helping and choosing to do that. Really thinking this will improve the climate of respect. Also offering DIY projects, rewards for kids doing their digital learning, and tutoring
 - Mental Health Counseling: We do have an onsite mental health counselor this year, Corbett. He is working with several students already. He will keep data this year to show his progress/success and we will re-evaluate the position to see if it is needed on a year to year basis.
 - Hygiene Awareness: Still working on hygiene awareness and offering hygiene supplies to students.
 - Holocaust Museum Trip - Can't do. Is there something virtual and how do we require that for virtual learning kids?
 - Robert will look into virtual trips that the whole school can take.

4:05-4:10: Written Processes Discussion

- Binder with all written processes developed: Based the written processes off of the template documents that were suggested to use by the Michigan Department of Education. The binder is now complete with all the documents necessary. We will be following this process each year and reviewing the process each year.

- Written Processes folder can be shared with those who would like to review the processes digitally. This is a lengthy document with many components. The google folder can be shared with you so that you can look through when you have time. If you see any process that you would like to discuss or edit, please bring that up at any meeting so the team can take a look and review.

4:10-4:15: Wrap Up, Questions, Comments