Assistant Superintendent Report to the Board

May 2017

Site Visits

Congdon Ordean East Lincoln Park Lakewood

Continuous Improvement Teams

We completed our last district-wide continuous improvement team training last week. This year, our focus was to provide teams with training on effective school improvement processes. Teams learned how to conduct comprehensive needs assessment and analysis for identifying a root cause to the current student achievement results. The next step is to train teams in summer/early fall on how to develop plans to implement instructional practices to address the root cause. One of the most important concepts teams learned is how to monitor implementation of school initiatives as well as students outcomes connected to those initiatives. Lastly, teams will be developing school improvement plans using a new format.

Staff Development

Planning has begun on how district led staff development will support PLCs, MTSS and Positive School Climate next year. Dr. Cary is currently working with a committee to plan the August 29 day. Important priorities for next year include training on the new ELA curriculum materials for elementary.

Safe and Welcoming Environment

We have been working through a PBIS grant this spring. MDE awarded ISD 709 a grant to improve current PBIS systems. Schools include: Lakewood, Lowell, Piedmont, Lincoln Park, and Denfeld. In addition, we are continuing to work with MDE as part of our SSIP grant to implement Check and Connect.

