

Pleasantdale Elementary School 2023-2024 School Improvement Plan

I am pleased to share our 2023-2024 School Improvement Plan. These goals are developed in coordination with teachers. While we are currently in the process of developing a new district strategic plan, for our purposes at Pleasantdale Elementary, we used the previous Strategic Blueprint to guide our work

The process for school improvement planning began last May with our Lead Teachers identifying growth areas for our building. Looking at the Strategic Blueprint, we identified three areas to address.

Our building Leadership Team then shared these goals with their grade level or department team for feedback, and adjustments were made based on this feedback. Finally, we identified deliverables for each goal.

Goal Area 1: Building Learning Capacity
Goal Statement: Pleasantdale Elementary School will effectively implement the new K-4 ELA resource, CKLA Amplify.
Timeline: May 2023
Measures: At the end of the 2023-24 school year, the identified deliverables will be accomplished.
Deliverables: <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Provide summer professional development opportunities for staff;2. Provide ongoing professional development through in-person trainings, online trainings, and professional literature;3. Develop grade level scope and sequences;4. Explore Writing Studio K-2;5. Implement Language Studio (EL resource)

This goal is aligned to the curriculum work we are doing with Dr. Ban. It focuses on our new K-4 ELA resource, CKLA Amplify. In order to provide rich instruction to our students, it is imperative that our teachers are well-prepared. This preparation comes from training along with time to thoughtfully plan out lessons. To that end, we have, and will continue to offer, professional development to those teachers who are tasked with implementing these resources. Additionally, we recognize the value of our teachers working with their teams to plan for their instruction. This co-planning promotes clarity for our teachers and consistency of instruction for our students.

Our deliverables as listed above will help align instruction, deepen staff understanding of the resource, and provide an improved experience for students. We believe the increased alignment and focus on our ELA instruction will boost student learning.

Goal Area2: Building Learning Capacity
Goal Statement: Pleasantdale Elementary will further develop our PBSS program to best support students.
Timeline: May 2023
Measures: At the end of the 2023-34 school year, the identified deliverables will be accomplished.
Deliverables: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Onboard new Social Worker and Psychologist; 2. Implement consistent language/expectations throughout the school; 3. Utilize BESS as a social emotional universal SEL screening tool; 4. Educate parents on tiered behavior support; 5. Partner with West40 ALOP/Tapestry program

Our focus with this goal is to ensure all students are provided opportunities to learn and given necessary supports to achieve. Our new Social Worker and Psychologist fill key roles at Pleasantdale Elementary and their collaboration with one another, as well as with the other staff, help to enhance our entire school community. Through universal screening we are able to identify students who may benefit from additional resources and partner with parents to provide these supports. Our new partnership with West40 provides an additional avenue that students can benefit from as they build their skills and transition from elementary to middle school.

Goal Area 3: Building Learning Capacity
Goal Statement: Pleasantdale Elementary School will provide opportunities to engage the community and one another in celebration and education.
Timeline: May 2023
Measures: At the end of the 2023-24 school year, the identified deliverables will be accomplished.
Deliverables: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Host Meet the Teacher for families; 2. Provide ongoing professional development to staff on Preschool learning; 3. Host Tim Hannig ProKids Show (PBSS Assembly); 4. Offer "Getting Ready for Kindergarten" (Parent PD); 5. Invite parents to Curriculum Night;

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6. Host Kindergarten Playdate;
7. Conduct personalized parent welcome/check-in call;
8. Host a New Family Coffee;
9. Implement Sharing Spaces;
10. Monthly activities for students, staff and/or the community to celebrate our National Blue Ribbon School award

Our final goal allows our staff to connect with parents and also celebrate the work that is happening at Pleasantdale Elementary. We recognize that student learning and overall performance is related to parent engagement. Therefore we seek to provide opportunities for our parents and community to be a meaningful part of our school. We strive to create a community where all feel welcome and supported in their learning and growth. This learning and growth is not limited to only our students. Rather, we recognize that excellence comes from providing opportunities and encouragement for all members of our school community to learn and grow. To that end, we are providing an opportunity for teachers to conduct peer observations through Sharing Spaces. This peer to peer learning helps teachers discover new teaching strategies and techniques they can utilize in their own classrooms.

I am proud of the work we have outlined for the year ahead and the opportunities available to our staff to support student learning. Our end goal remains to increase student growth both academically and social-emotionally. Today's planning and preparation builds the foundation for our students' continued success. "Success doesn't just happen. It's planned for." We believe our plan is solid and are already putting things in action for our students and school community. Thank you for your support of our work.