

CURRICULUM AND INSTRUCTION
Meadowview Elementary
2013-2014

- For the 2013-2014 school year we met accreditation standards for English. However we are in our second year with accreditation with warning in mathematics. We met all Federal benchmark requirements in English and Math. However, we met the benchmarks for students with disabilities and all white students through Safe Harbor, by reducing failure rate by more than 10%.

- SOL scores in English, math, science, and history (Scores from spring 2014)
 - Reading
 - 3rd 60%
 - 4th 81%
 - 5th 77%
 - Mathematics
 - 3rd 53%
 - 4th 67%
 - 5th 78%
 - History
 - 3rd 86%
 - 4th 92%
 - 5th 85%
 - Science
 - 3rd 81%
 - 5th 87%

- Identifying struggling students/gifted students
 - REACH team – revision of intervention plan documentation
 - Use of specialist and intervention teachers
 - Collaborative planning between grade levels and special education teachers
 - Identify GATE students K-5
 - GATE activities during and after school related to – social sciences, art, music, and technology

- Increasing achievement and instruction
 - Classroom observation and PD by Dr. Betti Kreye and Dr. Beth McDonald
 - Grade level meetings on math instruction with Dr. Kreye
 - Comparison and analysis of SPBQ
 - Continue use of Number Talks
 - Site visits focused on mathematics from Dr. Lisa Stewart
 - Participation in VDOE Academic Review
 - Revision of master schedule for time in core classes K -2
 - Implementation of math stations at the 3rd grade level

- Alignment of lesson plans with standards and curriculum framework
- Unpacking the standards for cognitive level – Blooms levels
- Implementation of school wide lesson plan template with cognitive level coded by colors.

- Commitment to Career and Technical Education
 - Guidance classes focus on careers
 - Career day school wide – community members present different careers
 - Increase ipads in library for school wide check out
 - After school technology workshops presented by RTITs
 - Use of Write to Learn to enhance typing skills with writing

- Commitment to Fine Arts and physical well-being of every child
 - 2nd grade Musical – PTA
 - School wide art show
 - Nutrition week recognized
 - KG – PE/ musical program
 - Organ wise – healthy lifestyle program in Kindergarten – through PE classes
 - GATE participation in music education
 - Upper grades instruction on recorders and guitars through music class
 - 5th grade DARE program for families and community

- Professional development to improve instruction
 - Discussed collaboratively in small group sessions about staff and faculty read – *When Teaching Gets Tough: Smart Ways to Reclaim your Game* – Allen Mendler
 - Utilized to look at best instructional practice, increase positive communication with stakeholders, and work collaboratively to celebrate successes.
 - Rigor in the math class room – Dr. Betti Kreye and Dr. Beth McDonald
 - Unpacking the standards for math and language arts -Dr. Lisa Stewart and administration
 - Continued training on number talks
 - VDOE training from classroom teacher on assessment and alignment
 - Process goals, vertical alignment, and instructional strategies presented by resident math specialist – Kim Winebarger and Becky Stiltner

DATA ASSESSMENT
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- Staff analysis of data collected throughout school year
 - Previous year's SOL data shared with teachers to determine needs at begin of year
 - End school year STAR and PALs data shared
 - Data boards in office coded by tiers updated in office area
 - STAR reported analysed and discussed at grade level meetings
 - Intervention and data at REACH meetings
 - Data from IXL
 - Data from Write to Learn – 4th and 5th grade
 - Revisions in PLC data meetings and common assessment strategies
 - AIMS progress monitoring on all special education students
 - Benchmark assessments and mid –quarter assessments to determine flexible grouping within classrooms
 - Data form Math facts in a flash and Rocket math

- Revising, modifying, and developing school improvement based on data
 - Revision of PLC structure – weekly meetings held by grade level
 - Revision of I/E schedules to better meet student needs
 - Project Graduation tutors used for small group instruction and I/E time
 - PALS administered 3 times a year – to PreK -2 and those at risk in 3rd
 - Analysis of SPBQ at building level and by individual student data
 - Benchmark data analysis to create reteaching opportunities
 - Teachers used mid-year data to determine where students were in comparison to their baseline data and smart goals from beginning of year

OPERATIONS AND FACILITIES
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- On the bus end of the building repairs were made.
- The tiles on the outside upper ledge of the building were repaired and painted around the entire outer building.
- Fence was replaced in some sections of the front area due to an accident
- Repainted yellow on curb area along bus and car rider areas
- Additional 15 walkie talkies were added to classroom teachers and day treatment workers
- Cameras were added to inside halls, entrance areas, and playground as well as equipment in the office
- Several rooms and closets were cleaned out at the end of the school year due to moves within the building – items disposed to dump truck provided by maintenance department
- Some classrooms were painted this summer

PUBLIC RELATIONS & COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT
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- Communication, interaction, and collaboration was enhanced between the school and the parents and is evidenced by:
 - Weekly parent communication folders
 - Computerized report cards
 - MES website and Teacher QUIA pages
 - Uniting the Division and County website
 - Field Trips
 - Assignment notebooks
 - Parent-Teacher conferences, phone calls, notes, and home visits
 - County-wide school calendar/handbook
 - School messages on the marquee (newly installed and electronic)
 - Annual DARE program with the Washington County Sheriff's Office
 - PTA programs and Fall Festival for Students
 - Principal and teacher letters to parents
 - Highlands Community Services
 - Career Day celebrations (instead of Halloween parties)
 - Washington County Parks and Recreation Program (basketball and volleyball)
 - Emory & Henry College (Lunch Buddy Program, during school and after school tutoring, Christmas Angel Project)
 - Food Drive for Second Harvest Food Bank
 - Mary's Lunchbox (local church groups)
 - United Way (backpack program, literacy outreach program, and long-term recovery program)
 - American Education Week Celebration
 - Department of Social Services Agency
 - Family Preservation Services (Day Treatment Mentor Program)
 - PAWS (providing food and cleaning materials for animal shelter)
 - Christmas Children's Fund supported by the Boy/ Girl Challenge
 - Washington County Health Department
 - Highlands Literacy Group (HELP)
 - Tail Waggin' Tutors
 - School wide invite to Thanksgiving meal
 - 5th grade DARE program
 - Grade level award days – end of year

SECURITY & SAFETY
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- Providing a safe and secure environment to enhance learning
 - School crisis card and plan reviewed and updated
 - SRO visible at school functions
 - DARE/ SRO office moved from SBO to MES
 - Regular monthly fire drills
 - Earthquake, tornado, and lock down drills
 - Yearly checks by fire marshal
 - All exterior doors locked down during school day
 - Two-way radios added to pods and day treatment workers
 - Yearly bus drills for PreK, Kg, and 1st and review of rules for all grades

- Safety of building and grounds and land adjacent to school
 - Annual safety audit with local sheriff's department conducted
 - Outside cameras installed to loading areas and playground
 - Lighting repaired in bus parking lot

- Involvement of staff in safety
 - Discussion of safety items – such as new guidelines from fire marshal meeting
 - Custodians and maintenance continue to report repairs – building and playground and lighting,etc
 - Revision of lock down procedures after suggestions from law enforcement
 - Staff training on epi pen usage from school nurse

STUDENT ACTIVITIES
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- Student opportunities to participate in activities to enhance their development were evidenced by:
 - Intervention/Enrichment groups for grades Pre-K through 5
 - 4th and 5th Grade DAR Essay Contest
 - Read Across America Celebration
 - National Education Week
 - 4th grade Virginia Studies Bowl (sponsored by 4-H)
 - School Day at the Fair activities
 - GATE Program
 - 4-H Club (grades 4 and 5)
 - Cloverbuds (grades KG, 1, 2 and 3)
 - School-wide and County Spelling Bee
 - Donations to local food pantries (Glade Spring and Second Harvest)
 - Pizza with the Principal for AR awards each nine weeks
 - St. Jude's Math-A-Thon
 - Glade Area Children's Christmas Fund donations by use of the boy/girl Challenge
 - Washington County Public Schools summer reading program
 - Red Ribbon Week
 - 5th grade helpers- flag, library, kg helpers, safety patrol
 - Summer School/ Jump start program
 - 5th grade field day
 - Charm necklaces awarded to all students for attendance, achievement, and citizenship and anything teachers felt worthy of an award

- The school guidance counselors continued the Character Education Program with students in grades Pre-K through 5 that reinforced the six pillars of character: responsibility, respect, caring, trustworthiness/honesty, work ethic, and citizenship. Career Day was set up after students discussed the importance of education and what they wanted to be when they graduated. Parents and community members came to school to discuss their occupations with students during this day. 5th grade students were taught DARE skills.

- Multicultural activities were conducted throughout the school year including:
 - Art classes provide cultural enrichment and studies of ancient civilizations
 - Music classes provide studies of many varied cultures
 - Recognition of Black History Month

- Students participated in educationally stimulating activities that were both “entertaining” and school-spirited orientated including:
 - 4-H Share the Fun Program
 - Jamestown-Yorktown Foundation Presentations

- Washington County Fair competitions (home-making, agriculture, and livestock)
- Rocket Day for 4th graders
- End year celebration – Mega blast party for all
- Million word readers’ trip to see penguins