

SAC Meeting Notes Sep 3, 2019 – West Middle School

Attendees

Shalah Parker
Anna Stewart
Jen Stevens
Shauna Prince
Tim Edwin
Valerie Wetherby
Debora Wagner

School performance report

Well into the Performance range for CMAS scores

- Academic achievement
- Academic growth → this is higher than achievement now, so we're heading in the right direction

We met our participation rate – and that helped our scores as well.

We were very happy this year – 67.1%

Overall we met performance in language arts and in math

Some subgroups aren't performing as well

Our improvement plan is targeting those groups

Growth report

Doing well – beating both state and district

Subgroups is where we have some challenges – English learners. Have a big group of those this year.

Multiple languages.

USIP – school improvement plan

- Trends –
 - Academic achievement is up
 - Problem student behavior is down
 - Absenteeism is down
 - Office discipline referrals is down
- Challenges
 - Lack of consistency across classrooms in expectations for academics and discipline
 - Lack of consistency first best instruction
- Strategies
 - Peer coaching – 3 x per teacher get a floating sub so a teacher can observe another teacher and then give them feedback
 - Every teacher has a coach – and feedback is based on predetermined parameters each quarter
 - Classroom management
 - Academic rigor
- Co-teaching
 - So the special ed teacher is in the classroom co-teaching

- Teachers will start looking at their subgroups more carefully to see how and where they can give those groups the attention they need.
- Student study teams – have a student who isn't responding to the same instruction. What more intensive supports do we need to provide? We're going to work with a coach to define the processes so there's a clear system in place so we know what data we need and what criteria to use
- Teacher leaders will look at data for the groups
- Shalah and Anna will focus coaching on teaching techniques – posture, voice, knowing lesson plans, etc.

Valerie Wetherby agreed to chair the SAC committee.