

CROSS BAYOU ELEMENTARY SIP 2013-14 EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Cross Bayou Elementary School has 505 students grades Pre-K to 5th, two administrators, 52 teachers, and 41 staff members. The mission of Cross Bayou Elementary is to provide a caring and success-oriented learning environment that enables each child to become a respectful, responsible and motivated lifelong learner through a collaborative effort among students, staff, parents and the community.

To accomplish this mission, Cross Bayou Elementary has 5 Goals:

- 1) Increase Reading scores to 69% of students achieving at level 3 and above on FCAT;
- 2) Increase Writing scores to 89% of students achieving at level 3.5 and above on FCAT;
- 3) Increase Mathematics scores to 64% of students achieving at level 3 and above on FCAT;
- 4) Increase Science scores to 60% of students achieving at level 3 and above on FCAT;
- 5) Close the achievement gap between Black and non-black students to our AMO 2014 targets;

The core instructional strategies included in our action plans are: utilizing data to differentiate and scaffold instruction; using research-based strategies in core instruction (e.g., Talk Moves, Using Text Based Questioning Techniques, Gradual Release, 5-E's), and hands-on learning to promote understanding of concepts.

The professional development efforts include providing TDE's for classroom teachers to unpack the standards and plan modules. Support for understanding the Common Core State Standards (CCSS) will be done in monthly CCSS meetings. Our professional development focuses will include: reviewing Math Talk Moves from the Classroom Discussions book, learning how to develop rubrics and understanding the structure of a close read. We are also working on learning how to deeply analyze data to drive instruction.

The parent involvement efforts include School-Wide Music Programs, Parent Nights with featured speakers and Grade-Level Content Workshops throughout the school year. We are working to increase volunteer hours by partnering with local community organizations and providing opportunities for parents to volunteer at different times of the day, including being able to do some of their volunteer work at home (for example parents put agenda stickers in all agendas prior to school starting).

For more information about Cross Bayou Elementary's School Improvement Plan, please go to our website at www.crossbayou-es.pinellas.k12.fl.us