

ORANGE GROVE ELEMENTARY SIP 2013-14 EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Orange Grove Elementary School has 375 students in grades kindergarten to 5th, one administrator, 28 teachers, and 51 staff members. The mission of Orange Grove Elementary School is to establish a safe learning environment which supports a love of learning, respect, responsibility, honesty and motivation in our students, so that they can reach their personal and academic potential.

To accomplish this mission, Orange Grove Elementary School has 6 Goals:

- 1) Increase the number of students proficient in the area of reading by 5% (from 67% to 72%).
- 2) Increase the number of students proficient in the area of math by 5% (from 53% to 58%).
- 3) Increase the number of students proficient in the area of science by 5% (from 57% to 62%).
- 4) Increase the number of students proficient in the area of writing by 5% (from 72% to 77%).
- 5) Close the achievement gap between Black and non-black students to our AMO 2014 targets; 46% proficient in reading and 42% proficient in math.
- 6) Increase parent involvement hours by 10% (from 6,000 hours to 6,600 hours) and increase participation in school events from 75% to 80%.

The core instructional strategies included in our action plans are: utilizing data to differentiate and scaffold instruction; using research-based strategies in core instruction, and focusing on grade level text in all content areas. We are using Jan Richardson guided reading, text dependent questioning, close reading, and emphasizing reading, writing, and speaking grounded in evidence from text, both literary and informational. We are using the 5E model and accountable talk in math, and focusing on the 5E model, PINELLAS CLASP and notebooking in science.

The professional development efforts include the use of the Leading the Learner Cadre and the Literacy Leadership Team to train and guide staff. Our plan includes differentiating and scaffolding instruction, focusing on standards based instruction, and implementing the CCSS with a focus on rigor. We are also placing emphasis on Jan Richardson Guided Reading, administering and analyzing running records, using formative assessments to guide instruction, piloting the CCSS Fair testing, and participating in a book study, *Teach Like a Champion: 49 Techniques that Put Students on the Path to College*.

The parent involvement at Orange Grove is supportive and generous. In our efforts to engage more families and increase volunteer hours, the school is hosting a variety of events at different times of the day. We are focusing on topics relevant to our families and students: CCSS, parent academies with featured speakers, student safety, student mentoring, and family events focusing on children and academics.

For more information about Orange Grove Elementary School Improvement Plan, please go to our website at <http://www.orangegrove-es.pinellas.k12.fl.us>