

## SKYCREST ELEMENTARY SIP 2013-14 EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Skycrest Elementary School has 727 students grades K to 5th, two administrators, 56 teachers, and 50 support staff members. The mission of Skycrest Elementary is Believe. . .Inspire. . .Expect Excellence. Our Vision is 100% Student Success.

To accomplish this vision and mission Skycrest has 6 Goals:

- 1) Increase Reading scores to 66% students achieving at level 3 and above on FCAT;
- 2) Increase Math scores to 64% students achieving at level 3 and above on FCAT;
- 3) Increase Science scores to 60% students achieving at level 3 and above on FCAT;
- 4) Close the achievement gap between Black and non-black students to our AMO 2014 targets of 59% in Reading and 56% in Math.
- 5) Reduce the number and percent of discipline incidents for each student subgroup by 10% and
- 6) Increase parent involvement hours by 10% representing 50% of our parent population.

The core instructional strategies included in our action plans are: providing in-class modeling and coaching on a bi-weekly basis with a district literacy coach during instruction time; utilizing data to differentiate and scaffold instruction; using research-based strategies in core instruction (e.g., 5E, Gradual Release, Text Dependent Questioning, Collaboration, Speaking and Listening, Content Enhancement); participating in monthly grade level data chats and utilizing project-based learning in appropriate settings.

The professional development efforts include the use of the literacy team and literacy coach to train and guide teachers in differentiating and scaffolding instruction. Skycrest Staff will participate in professional book studies such as *Number Talks* by Sherry Parrish and *It's Being Done* by Karin Chenoweth. Volunteerism is accomplished primarily by our community partner.

Parental involvement at Skycrest is mostly evident by attendance at parent/teacher conferences and evening family events such: an evening meeting featuring *Rock Star Readers*, Science workshops, Healthy School Activity Night, Curriculum Night, Evening Parent/Teacher Conferences and Winter and Spring Concerts.

For more information about Skycrest's School Improvement Plan, please go to our website at [www.skycrest-es.pinellas.k12.fl.us](http://www.skycrest-es.pinellas.k12.fl.us)