

Daniel R Cameron Elementary School

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Mission Statement

Our mission at Daniel R. Cameron Elementary is to ensure that students are college and career ready by meeting their needs academically, socially, and emotionally.

Strategic Priorities

- 1. Teachers will make data-driven instructional decisions and adjustments with support from an improved instructional coaching model and use a refined comprehensive assessment system that includes progress monitoring components.
- 2. Teachers provide all students with challenging and rigorous reading instruction aligned to the Common Core State Standards and supported by high-quality texts.
- 3. Teachers will unpack the Math CCCS to identify a subset of grade-level math skill benchmarks for students in grades 5th-8th, develop strategies to promote these benchmarks, and monitor students' progress in achieving these benchmarks.
- 4. Under the supervision of the admin and the literacy coordinator, the staff will collaborate to implement a comprehensive Rtl process for literacy that includes multiple intervention options, planning support, and extensive progress monitoring.
- 5. Improve the engagement level of stakeholders within the community including families.

School Performance Goals



SY2011 SY2012 SY2013 SY2014





Math Performance Goals



Continuous Improvement Work Plan 2012 - 2014



Overview

The Continuous Improvement Work Plan (CIWP) is a stream-lined, strategic planning process for schools that also meets the state and federal requirements of a school improvement plan. The CIWP uses previous goal and priority setting completed by the schools from the Scorecard metrics, School Effectiveness Framework and Theory of Action. Please see the CIWP Planning Guide at <u>www.cps.edu/CIWP</u> for detailed instructions on completing the tool.

School Name

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Developing a CIWP Team

A CIWP team consists of 6 – 12 committed stakeholders that act as the steering committee for the entire CIWP planning process. The principal should serve as the chairperson of the CIWP Team, appointing other team members from the school and community, which can include members from the ILT and/or LSC. These CIWP Team members should have strengths in collaboration and consensus-building. While the CIWP Team needs to remain small, it should include people with a variety of perspectives.

CIWP Team

Name (Print)	Title/Relationship
Stephen Harden	Principal
Eboni McDonald	Assistant Principal
Edna Mercado	Lead/ Resource Teacher
Paola Ribero	ELL Teacher
Melissa Turner	Classroom Teacher
Jillian Estanich	Classroom Teacher
Nydia Assaf	Other
Rodrigo Paredes	Other
Ingry Diaz	LSC Member



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Elementary Goal Setting

Instructions: Your school's data is organized by Scorecard categories. Using your current performance data and your SY2012 goals, determine the SY2013 & SY2014 performance goals for each metric. Note: ISAT scores include all students in the aggregates, including English Language Learners.

Academic Achievement

Pre-K - 2nd Grade	SY2011 Score	SY2012 Goal	SY2013 Goal	SY2014 Goal		SY2011 Score	SY2012 Goal	SY2013 Goal	
Early Literacy % of students at Benchmark on DIBELS, IDEL	47.8	60.0	65.0	70.0	Early Math % of students at Benchmark on mClass	21.1	35.0	45.0	[
3rd - 5th Grade									
Grade Level Performance - Reading % of students at or above grade level on Scantron/NWEA	16.1	30.0	40.0	50.0	Grade Level Performance - Math % of students at or above grade level on Scantron/NWEA	16.4	30.0	40.0	
Keeping Pace - Reading % of students making growth targets on Scantron/NWEA	31.3	53.0	60.0	67.0	Keeping Pace - Math % of students making growth targets on Scantron/NWEA	34.7	51.0	60.0	
6th - 8th Grade									
Grade Level Performance - Reading % of students at or above grade level on Scantron/NWEA	15.6	30.0	40.0	50.0	Grade Level Performance - Math % of students at or above grade level on Scantron/NWEA	19.2	30.0	40.0	
Keeping Pace - Reading % of students making growth targets on Scantron/NWEA	35.0	56.0	65.0	72.0	Keeping Pace - Math % of students making growth targets on Scantron/NWEA	33.5	54.0	60.0	
8th Grade									
Explore - Reading % of students at college readiness benchmark	7.1	17.0	22.0	30.0	Explore - Math % of students at college readiness benchmark	9.2	19.0	27.0	



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Climate & Culture

All Grades	SY2011	SY2012 Goal	SY2013 Goal	SY2014 Goal		SY2011	SY2012 Goal	SY2013 Goal	SY2014 Goal
Attendance Rate Average daily attendance rate	92.6	95.0	95.5	96.0	Misconducts Rate of Misconducts (any) per 100	153.9	60.0	50.0	40.0

State Assessment

All Grades % Meets & Exceeds	SY2011 Score	SY2012 Goal	SY2013 Goal	SY2014 Goal	All Grades % Exceeds	SY2011 Score	SY2012 Goal	SY2013 Goal	SY20 Goa
ISAT - Reading % of students meeting or exceeding state standards	55.8	66.0	70.0	75.0	ISAT - Reading % of students exceeding state standards	5.9	15.0	20.0	25.
SAT - Mathematics 6 of students meeting or exceeding tate standards	68.7	78.0	83.0	88.0	ISAT - Mathematics % of students exceeding state standards	10.3	20.0	28.0	36
SAT - Science 6 of students meeting or exceeding tate standards	56.6	66.0	68.0	74.0	ISAT - Science % of students exceeding state standards	3.6	12.0	20.0	28





	Typical School	Effective School	Evidence Evaluation
	Goals and theory of action	The school bas established clear measurable goals for	Campron has established minimum goals for Pooding growth as
shi	 The school has established goals for student achievement that are aimed at making incremental growth and narrowing of achievement gaps. The school has a plan but may have too many competing priorities. 	of all students at the school, grade, and classroom levels. • The school has established a clear theory of action or	Cameron has established minimum goals for Reading growth as measured by STEP and the F&P BAS for every student at or above grade level at 3 levels which equates to one year's growth. For students below benchmark, the goal is a minimum of 4 levels with apsirations of 5 or more to aggressively target the achievement gap. We have had multiple conversations internally about Consortium research that equates the achievement of STEP 12 by the end of 2nd grade with being on track for college readiness.
IME	Principal Leadership		> 2
	Professional learning is organized through whole	 Principal creates a professional learning system that 	Whole staff professional development revolved around data-analysis
	staff development but it is not tightly linked to what	evaluates teacher need and interest and builds	and planning and reading curriculum vertical alignment. Teacher
	happens in teacher team meetings or 1:1 coaching	opportunities for growth in content knowledge and	team meetings did not support vertical alignment as only solitary
	cycles.		grade-levels met.
	Principal monitors instructional practice for teacher	 Principal clarifies a vision for instructional best practice, 	
	evaluations.	works with each staff member to determine goals and	Administration coaching sessions were not regular, and staff PD
	School-wide or class specific vision is not	benchmarks, monitors quality and drives continuous	focused on students' needs, but rarely addressed teachers' needs in
	, 5		an individual or differentiated manner.
	• Principal provides basic information for families on	• Principal establishes and nurtures a culture of college and	
	school events and responds to requests for	career readiness through clarity of vision, internal and	The school has begun to develop a culture of college readiness that
	information. Families and community are engaged		promotes college readiness with students and families.
	through occasional school-wide events such as open houses or curriculum nights.	support students in understanding and reaching these goals.Principal creates a system for empowered families and	The school must find ways to link this ideal with goal-setting and
		communities through accurate information on school	monitoring for staff, students, and families. The school must also
		performance, clarity on student learning goals, and	enlist the parent leaders in promoting this vision (PAC and BAC).
		opportunities for involvement.	ennist the parent leaders in promoting this vision (FAC and BAC).
			Cameron implement a full calendar of family events and information





Typical School	Effective School	Evidence	Evaluatio
Teacher Leadership		>	2
 A core group of teachers performs nearly all 	• Each teacher is invested in the success of the school	Admin recruited ILT and non-ILT members to participat	e on the CIW
leadership duties in the school.	through leadership in one or more areas, including (but not	and FSD Committees.	
• A few voices tend to contribute to the majority of	limited to):		
decision-making at the ILT and teacher team levels.	-ILT membership	Admin considers teachers' strengths and find ways for t	them to take
 Teacher learning and expertise is inconsistently 	-Grade/Course team lead	on leadership roles including heading specific committe	ees.
shared after engagement in professional learning	- Rtl team		
activities.	-Committee chair or membership	ILT is comprised of grade-level reps from every grade in	cluding the
	-Mentor teacher	Special Education and Bilingual Depts.	
	-Curriculum team	During grade-level/course team meetings, the grade-level/	vel rep
	-Coach	facilitates joint-decision making processes and collabor	
	-Family liaison	planning.	
	-Data team		
	-Bilingual lead	More time must be allotted to the sharing of best pract	ices by
	-SIPAAA/CWIP team	teacher leaders during whole staff PD sessions.	
	-Union representative		
	-Grant writer	The transition from TAP to a more traditional leadershi	p structure
	• Each teacher has equity of voice in grade/course, ILT and	eliminated some teacher leader positions whose roles	-
	whole staff meetings	sharing learning and expertise (i.e. 4 lead teachers, 8 m	
	• Each teacher is encouraged to share learning about	and the Rtl Team).	
	effective practice from PD or visits to other schools		





Typical School	Effective School	Evidence Evalu	ation
Instructional Leadership Team (ILT)		> 2	2
 departments, but may not include critical areas of expertise, like special education, bilingual education or counseling. The ILT splits time and focus between improving teaching and learning and solving day-to-day operational concerns. The ILT organizes some whole staff professional development activities. Development at the teacher team or teacher level is not coordinated by the ILT. ILT decision-making is carried out in isolation, or without a clear process for staff-wide engagement. ILT engages in changes to practice in response to voiced concerns. 	 knowledge and expertise needed to make decisions for all students and staff. The ILT leads the work of improving teaching and learning school-wide The ILT leads the school's approach to professional development – whole staff PD, teacher teams, and coaching. The ILT facilitates two-way communication and engages all staff in participating in decision-making that advances the school's strategic focus. The ILT engages in regular reflection upon its own team 	ILT had limited input in developing, designing, and facilitating v staff professional development. Teacher teams collaborated with admin to make grade-level sp adjustments, but these were rarely discussed during ILT due to	t and and vhole becific the etings
Monitoring and adjusting		> 3	;
instructional practice.		Grade level teams use data from STEP, F&P, AMAT, ASA, ARS-1 SCANTRON, MCLASS AND ISAT to identify trends, create instru- groups and target instruction for individual students.	





	Typical School	Effective School	Evidence E	valuation
	Curriculum		>	2
1 2: Core Instructio	 Curricular pacing/scope and sequence is most often determined by the pacing set forth in instructional materials or by an individual teacher. Each teacher develops his/her own units of instruction or follows what is suggested by the pacing provided in instructional materials. Text used for instruction exposes some students to grade-appropriate complexity and is heavily focused on fiction. Short- and long-term plans do not consistently differentiate by learner need. 	 sequence that maps out what Common Core or other state standards teachers should teach and in what order in core subject areas. Each grade level or course team develops/uses common units of instruction aligned to the standards. Text used for instruction exposes all students to a grade-appropriate level of complexity and informational texts to at least the CCSS-recommended levels by grade band. 	The school developed and revised a year-long plan for tear reading comprehension skills. Grade levels have developed units of instruction aligned to the Illinois State Standards, need refinement, including an increase in text complexity Nonfiction text was emphasized this year in grades 2nd-8t approximately 2.5 months of instruction. Content teams for Math. Most teachers adhere to the pacing guides for r science with fidelity. Bilingual teachers participate in coll planning sessions, and their students receive the same comprehension lessons. Instructional special education st not consistently.	ed reading but these th for collaborate math and laborative
	Instructional materials	>	2	
	 Core instructional materials vary between teachers of the same grade/course or are focused mainly on a single textbook with little exposure to standards- aligned supplemental materials. Instructional materials support a general curriculum with little differentiation for student learning need. 	 Each grade level or course team has a set of instructional materials that are aligned with standards. Instructional materials are supportive of students with disabilities as well as varying language proficiency levels of ELLs (including native language and bilingual supports). 	Every grade uses the appropriate CMSI Math and Science ELLs have access to materials in Spanish as necessary. Eve classroom has a lending library with leveled books for stu- check out according to their independent reading level ind bilingual and special education classrooms. We need bett and horizontal alignment to decrease unintended repetiti and to match monolingual and bilingual materials. No bas grade levels.	ery dents to cluding ter vertical on of texts
		bur school in this area, we encourage schools to begin invento s is not a comprehensive inventory of your school's instructior e State Standards in the upcoming school year.		





Typical School	Effective School	Evidence	Evaluation
Assessment		>	2
 teachers need it—or teachers inconsistently bring it to teacher team meetings. Each grade level or course team administers the required district assessments but there may be gaps in the kind of assessment tools available to them. Assessments are focused on a particular form of assessment and may not adequately provide a complete picture of student learning. Most assessments are designed to be identical for all students, without accommodation for learner need. 	organized and available to all who need it immediately after each assessment. • Each grade level or course team uses a comprehensive set of assessments – screening, diagnostic, benchmark,	tests. We need to implement a protocol to analyze col student work samples as formative assessments as wel	re in anture e are minimal t and network laborating





Typical School	Effective School	Evidence Evalu	ation
Instruction		> 2	
 inconsistent or lesson objectives do not consistently align to standards. Questioning is more heavily aimed at assessing basic student understanding and comprehension. Sequencing of lessons in most classes is primarily driven by the pacing suggested in instructional materials. Instruction is most often delivered whole-group with few opportunities for scaffolding learning or the level of rigor is not consistently high. Formative assessment during instruction is used occasionally or inconsistently between teachers. 	 standards-based learning objective, directions and procedures, as well as the relevance of the learning. , Each teacher uses low- and high-level questioning techniques that promote student thinking and understanding. Each teacher purposefully sequences and aligns standards-based objectives to build towards deep understanding and mastery of the standards. 	Most teachers consistently display and communicate learning objectives to students daily. Many teachers use an abundance lower-level questions as comprehension checks. Students are asked to grapple with higher-level questions in most classes. S teachers sequence lessons to scaffold students toward understanding of a larger goal or concept. Most teachers use t workshop model in reading and writing to move students to independence. In Math and Science, teachers follow prescribe pacing which often makes successful scaffolding for struggling students difficult.	rarely ome he





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Intervention		>	2
interventions they receive and how to determine the success of interventions is not regularly monitored. The intervention options are limited (sometimes one- size-fits-all), making it difficult to find a targeted solution to address a particular student's needs. Intervention monitoring and adjustments are left to teacher discretion without school-wide systems.	 The school has a systematic approach to administering screening assessments to identify students in need of academic intervention. The school has a systematic approach to administering diagnostic assessments to identify particular skills gaps. Interventions at the elementary level include in-class, small group instruction, push-in support provided by specialists, one on one support and additional supports outside of the classroom. Interventions at the secondary school level include small group instruction, double blocks in literacy and mathematics, push-in support provided by specialists, one on one support and additional supports outside of the classroom Interventions are closely monitored at the ILT, teacher team and individual teacher level so that adjustments can be made at least every 6 weeks. 	The school has a clearly defined RtI process that includes student assessment data to identify students need addition supports (STEP, mCLASS, ASWD, F&P). Teachers share an approaches for Tier II interventions informally. Tier III Int solidly in place for 1st-4th grade including push-in and put supports by trained ESPs or a certified teacher. These into are not not regularly monitored or adjusted systematicall degree that they should be.	onal d discuss erventions ll out erventions

	Whole staff professional development		>	2
50	 Whole staff professional development occurs 	• The school has a year-long, focused plan for whole staff	* Cameron does have focused literacy PD sessions for ir	nstructional
ا≓	regularly but is not tightly aligned to the school's	professional development aligned to school-wide priorities	staff that reinforce/support school and district priorities	s and best
J	priorities.	and growth goals.	practices.	
e.	Quality, effectiveness or relevance of professional	• The school has a method for continually monitoring the	* Exit slips/reflections must be consistently incorporate	
	development is not monitored.		PD session. Data binders must be more tighly monitore	
Ja		coaching and teacher collaboration).	all student data, meeting notes, and past/current agence	las.
ō		 School-wide structures ensure that professional 	* Weekly team meetings are embedded throughout the	e weekly
SSi			schedule. We must also provide teachers with the oppo	ortunity to
fe		teachers.	visit other peers.	
Ö			*Teams are learning to use protocols to structure team	-
P			*All SPED and/or ESL teachers not always included in G	rade Level





	Typical School	Evidence Evaluatio	
ë	Grade-level and/or course teams		> 2
DIMENSIO	 activities—planning, professional development, and data analysis—that may change from week to week. Teachers do not have a regular opportunity to discuss progress monitoring data to track effectiveness of student intervention. Ownership for student learning results lies primarily with individual teachers. Planning typically takes place with general 	 Teachers collaborate in regular cycles: quarterly for long-term unit planning, weekly to analyze formative assessment data and plan weekly instruction. Teachers and specialists meet approximately every six weeks to discuss progress-monitoring data for students receiving intervention. Teacher teams share ownership for results in student learning. Teams are inclusive of general education, special education, bilingual teachers and other specialists. Teams are supported by an ILT member, team leader, or "expert", as appropriate. Teachers have protocols or processes in place for team collaboration. 	*Teams are learning to use protocols to structure team mtgs. All SPED and/or ESL teachers not always included in Grade Level mtgs. * Scheduled PD days were used for Units of Study and data analysis The data analysis was used to create goals and small groups. We need to consistently analyze data weekly to plan for instruction. * As a school We do not consistently discuss progress monitoring data for students receiving Intervention * Teachers review Mclass, data wall, SCANTRON to higlight struggle and strength and share ideas for improvement
	Instructional coaching		> 1
	 district-sponsored induction. Professional development decisions are not systematized and left to teacher initiative/discretion. Teachers occasionally receive quality feedback to support individual growth. 	 Every school has a coaching plan that identifies teacher needs, who provides the coaching, and how frequently. New teachers are provided with effective induction support. Teachers have individual professional development plans tailored to their needs. Teachers consistently receive quality feedback that supports their individual growth. Peer coaching and cross classroom visitation is also used as a form of coaching. 	Admin is working to provide more consistent and immediate feedback following informal observations. There is informal suppor from peers for new teachers, but no formal protocol. Coaching support was focused on a small cohort of teachers. Need to implement a Peer Coaching Model for teachers to learn best practices from each other.





tions & College-going culture embers reinforce expectations for all ire to college and career ready spectations are only reinforced for	 Every staff member reinforces school expectations for all students to aspire to college and career-ready standards. The school has developed and is executing an intentional plan to build and maintain a college-going culture. Every student has opportunities for authentic leadership and student voice 	Cameron Motto has consistently emphasized college focus. All teachers represent their college on their classroom doors. College pennants posted throughout the halls of the school. Student Council is composed of 3rd-8th grade students.
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teraction between adults and students dents are inconsistent disabilities are typically confined to a on classroom with few opportunities to ters.	 deeply and supports them in achieving their goals Patterns of interactions, both between adults and students and among students, are respectful, with appropriate, fair responses to disrespectful behavior Students with disabilities are engaged in the school community, including both physical and social integration. Students' classroom experiences demonstrate value of home language and culture. 	Sped. students are assigned to homerooms and are grouped with their peers for enrichment classes, lunch, and recess. Over 50 students have been assigned mentors using and "Check In, Check Out", a 7th grade Restorative Justice program, the Check and Connect mentoring program for truant students, Open Book Buddies for struggling 3rd grade readers, WITS for 4th and 5th grade students, and the CH&A student leadership coordinator. Many teachers use enrichment, before school, after school or lunch times to build relationships with students. Evidence of lasting relationships with students that continue past graduation includes past graduates visiting and/or volunteering.
fety		> 2
erently between teachers without ms. nment occasionally leads to situations	 approach to student discipline and tiered approach to behavioral intervention that recognizes and builds on positive behavior. Staff establishes and maintains a safe, welcoming school environment. 	School wide discipline norms exists; staff needs continued PD to ensure fidelity and implementation. Cameron All-Stars uses recognition to promote success-building behaviors. Student misconduct, particularly acts of violence, have decreased significantly. The percentage of students reporting feeling safe has continued to rise. We need to refine systems for transitions for restrooms, enrichment, etc. (ex. scheduled bathroom breaks for primary) to reduce hallway and stairway congestion.
	dents are inconsistent disabilities are typically confined to a on classroom with few opportunities to eers. e language and culture is often ofety ations and positive behavior supports ferently between teachers without rms.	 All students have an adult advocate who cares about them deeply and supports them in achieving their goals Patterns of interactions, both between adults and students and among students, are respectful, with appropriate, fair responses to disrespectful behavior Students with disabilities are engaged in the school community, including both physical and social integration. Students' classroom experiences demonstrate value of home language and culture.





	Typical School	Effective School	Evidence Evaluation
	Expectations		> 3
Community Engagemer	 Principal provides information to families on school performance in response to parent requests. Teachers provide information to families on their grading system, but families may be unclear on what successfully meeting the standard would look like. Families can learn about the transition process if they reach out to the school for information. 	 Principal provides clear information for families on school performance and accurately explains this information so that families understand its relevance to their children as well as the plan for improvement. Teachers provide clear information for families on what students are expected to achieve in a given grade level or course and examples of what meeting the standards looks like. Schools proactively provide information regarding school choices to families looking to relocate or to students in transition grades. 	Teachers use a variety of methods to introduce themselves and their expectations to families (Open House, parent letters, and calls home) during the first few weeks of school. Principal presents school performance data and expectations during several parent meetings held during the opening months of school and throughout the year. During teacher-parent conferences, teachers review current assessment data with parents including examples of satisfactory performance, next steps, and implications. 7th and 8th graders are supported throughout the high school research and application process including an onsite HS Fair, presentations by Cameron and HS staff, exposure to various brochures and other literature, and structured research periods.
and	Ongoing communication		> 3
5: Family	 Communication to families is typically conducted only during report card pick-up and in cases of behavior/academic concerns. 	• Teachers and other school staff engage in ongoing, two- way communication with families so that they know how their child is doing relative to grade-level expectations and how the families can support their child's learning at home, but also so that school staff can learn from the families about their child's strengths and needs.	Parents and staff connect during Open House, parent meetings throughout the year, family learning nights, and entrance and dismissal to facilitate two-way communication. Every staff member has to submit a weekly home connection logs documenting at least 10 contacts during the week.
NSI	Bonding		> 2
	 The school has a business-like atmosphere. School staff provides occasional opportunities for families and community members to participate in authentic and engaging activities in the school community like student performances, exhibitions, literacy or math events, etc. 	 The school establishes and non-threatening, welcoming environment. The principal leads the work to empower and motivate families and community to become engaged. School staff provides frequent opportunities for families and community members to participate in authentic and engaging activities in the school community like student performances, exhibitions, literacy or math events, etc. 	*Some teachers invite parents into the classroom to participate in their child's learning, but there are not enough opportunities for parents to spend time in the classroom during the instructional day. *The principal supports the development of parent leadership by working with the PAC and BAC consistently. *Families are invited to award ceremonies and performances, but we need more opportunites for students to display their accomplishments and talents with more student performances.





	Typical School	Effective School	Evidence	Evaluation
	Specialized support		>	2
	 School provides required services to students within the school building/typical school hours. 	 School staff conducts intensive outreach to families in need of specialized support through home visits and collaboration with social services agencies. 	Although the school does attempt to make social work when necessary, there is limited effective communicati the staff and some of the agencies.	
	College & Career Exploration and election		>	3
e and Career Readiness Supports	 Information about college or career choices is provided. 	 The school provides early and ongoing exposure to experiences and information necessary to make informed decisions when selecting a college or career that connects to academic preparation and future aspirations. 	Cameron hosts an annual Career Day that exposes study variety of professions and professionals. Advisory perio 8th grade students has a high school and college explor We conduct an annual High School Fair on site.	ods for 6th-
	Academic Planning		>	2
	 Support for college and career planning is provided for some students. Information and opportunities to explore paths of interest are limited. The school encourages high performing students to plan on taking advanced courses. 	 The school provides support for student planning, preparation, participation, and performance in their college and career aspirations and goals through a rigorous academic program and access to information and opportunities. (HS only) The school regularly evaluates rigorous course-taking and performance patterns (e.g., AP) and removes barriers to access. 	*6th-8th grade students explore college admission requ high school graduates during advisory. *This year, we instituted the Saturday Honors Academy challenge advanced students, but the school does not o courses officially (i.e. 8th Grade Algebra).	designed to
90	Enrichment & Extracurricular Engagement		>	2
N 6: Colleg	• Extracurricular activities exist but may be limited in scope or students may not be purposefully involved in activities that align with their strengths and needs.	• The school ensures equitable exposure to a wide range of extracurricular and enrichment opportunities that build leadership, nurture talents and interests, and increase engagement with school.	Beginning in January 2012, there was a streamlined targ academic program for students in grade 3-8. Beginning enrollement process allowed students to select program to their interests.	in March, the





	Typical School	Effective School	Evidence	Evaluation				
0	College & Career Assessments>							
DIMENS	 Students do not participate in college and career ready assessments 	 The school promotes preparation, participation, and performance in college and career assessments. 	Explore Exam for 8th grade students. 8th grade practic February. 6th and 7th graders beginning practicing wit Cambridge EXPLORE Non-negotiable Skills books.					
	College & Career Admissions and Affordability	·	>					
	 Students in 11th and 12th grade are provided information on college options , costs and financial aid. 	• The school provides students and families with comprehensive information about college options and costs (HS only) The school ensures that students and families have an early and ongoing understanding of the college and career application and admission processes, including information on financial aid and scholarship eligibility.						
	Transitions		>	3				
	 Transitions between key grades provide families with the required minimum paperwork/information. 	 The school works to ensure effective transitions—into Kindergarten, at each "benchmark" grade, and from 8th to 9th. (HS only) The school connects students to school and community resources to help them overcome barriers and ensure the successful transition from high school to college. 	Students participate in shadow days for transitioning 5 graders and transitioning Pre-K to Kindergarteners. Out teachers organize classes to ensure equitable distrubtion based on academic and social characteristics approved	tgoing on of students				





Typical School	Effective School	Evidence Evaluation
Use of Discretionary Resources		> 3
 aligned to identified needs and priorities. Outside funding or community partnerships are primarily limited to opportunities that present themselves to the school. Funding of non-priority initiatives is common throughout the year. 	 identified needs and strategic priorities. School actively identifies and pursues opportunities to for outside funding or community partnerships to help meet student and staff needs. 	Majority of discretionary resources used to reduce class size and provide additional supervision for lunch and recess. Other resources used to support student enrichment including afterschool programming and field trips. Significant resources used to purchase more high quality text and improve access to technology. All other discretionary funding is used for either academic or enrichment opportunities. The school conducted a fundraiser to acquire funds for a website upgrade, and many staff members actively pursue and win grants to fund educational or PD workshops (CFE, Summer Spanish residency, etc.).
Building a Team		> 3
 vacancy is identified. All or nearly all applicants have little to no prior connection to the school. Interviews typically consist of an interview with the principal or a team from the school, but there are no opportunities to demonstrate knowledge or skill in the classroom. Grade/course teams are not intentionally designed. 	-	Hiring process includes a thorough and rigorous multi-step interview. Many candidates are based on staff referrals. Cameron is a member of the CTPP grant in partnership with National Louis University and hosts pre-service and student teachers. Interview process does not always include a lesson demonstration. Administration actively recruits new teachers for ESP positions.
Use of Time		> 3
minutes per subject or course. • Teacher collaboration time is limited or occurs only	 School designs a "right fit" schedule based on student needs and school-wide growth goals. The school schedule allows for regular, meaningful collaboration in teacher teams. Struggling students receive structured intervention in dedicated blocks. 	Schedule is designed to include 70 minutes of weekly collaboration time with teachers. Would like to include time for school-wide intervention block. Many students in grades 1st-4th have regularly scheduled intervention time where they work in a small group or individually with a trained staff member.
	Date Stamp November 22, 2012	



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Mission & Strategic Priorities

Instructions: Write in your Mission Statement. Using your key levers from the Theory of Action, develop 3 - 5 strategic priorities you will focus on over the next two years. Provide a Rationale using these guiding questions: What data (student achievement, school effectiveness framework, etc.) did you use to determine the priority? How does this priority impact instruction? How does this priority help you to achieve your goals? Tip: When entering text, press Alt+Enter to start a new paragraph.

Mission Statement

Our mission at Daniel R. Cameron Elementary is to ensure that students are college and career ready by meeting their needs academically, socially, and emotionally.

Strategic Priorities

Suale	gic Priorities	
#	Priority Description: Write in the description of your priority.	Rationale: Write in your rationale (see instructions for guiding questions).
1	Teachers will make data-driven instructional decisions and adjustments with support from an improved instructional coaching model and use a refined comprehensive assessment system that includes progress monitoring components.	Teachers are currently learning to use formative assessment data to make instructional decisions to increase the number of students meeting their growth targets in grades K-8th.
2	Teachers provide all students with challenging and rigorous reading instruction aligned to the Common Core State Standards and supported by high-quality texts.	To increase the percentage of students in grades K-8th that are reading at grade level, we must improve our ability to accelerate struggling readers and challenge performing readers.
3	Teachers will unpack the Math CCCS to identify a subset of grade-level math skill benchmarks for students in grades 5th-8th, develop strategies to promote these benchmarks, and monitor students' progress in achieving these benchmarks.	To increase the percentage of students in grades 5th-8th that are performing at or above grade level, we must ensure that students master particular developmental math benchmarks each year.
4	Under the supervision of the admin and the literacy coordinator, the staff will collaborate to implement a comprehensive Rtl process for literacy that includes multiple intervention options, planning support, and extensive progress monitoring.	To decrease the number of students that are not making adequate progress or meeting academic benchmarks, we must improve our capacity to identify and intervene with struggling students.
5	Improve the engagement level of stakeholders within the community including families.	The home-school connection Cameron must ensure that students are supported in achieving their academic and emotional goals by increasing the number of parents that are aware of Cameron's Core Values and community.



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Strategic Priority 1

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Strategic Priority Description	Rationale
Teachers will make data-driven instructional decisions and adjustments with support from an improved instructional	Teachers are currently learning to use formative assessment data to make instructional decisions to increase the
coaching model and use a refined comprehensive assessment system that includes progress monitoring components.	number of students meeting their growth targets in grades K-8th.

Action Plan

Responsible Target Milestones Category Start Completed Status **Comments & Next Steps** Group Party Identify and hire two Literacy Coordinators with extensive experience in coaching, supporting, and developing Staffing All Administration Summer 2012 Summer 2012 teachers and facilitating data –driven planning. Review Network PM Schedule and identify days for the Professional All ILT Summer 2012 Summer 2012 development and scoring of performance assessments. Development Refine our process for communicating within and without the ILT to provide all staff with a fully developed PM/PD ILT/ Teacher schedule, provide ILT members with data in advance, share All ILT Summer 2012 Summer 2012 Teams the ILT Meeting minutes, and improve two-way communication between the ILT and grade-level teams. Develop a peer coaching process and calendar aligned to Administration, the CPS Teaching for Learning Framework with a focus on Instruction All Literacy Summer 2012 Summer 2012 literacy best practice. Coordinators Administration, Implement quarterly peer observation cycles that include All Instruction Literacy Quarter 1 Quarter 4 debriefs with observed teachers and admin. Coordinators Administration, Set schedule for reading progressing monitoring. Instruction All Summer 2012 Summer 2012 Literacy Coordinators Monitor reading progress monitoring results every 5 weeks Administration, to report to ILT and schedule data talks with individual All Quarter 4 Instruction Literacv Quarter 1 teachers as necessary Coordinators Administration, Assign inexperienced and less effective teachers to literacy Instruction All Summer 2012 Quarter 4 Literacy coordinators for intensive coaching cycles. Coordinators



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 Every teacher will develop an individual growth plan aligned to the CPS Teaching for Learning Framework with a focus on literacy, and best practice in multiple disciplines.
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Strategic Priority 2

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Strategic Priority Description	Rationale
Teachers provide all students with challenging and rigorous reading instruction aligned to the Common Core State Standards and supported by high-quality texts.	To increase the percentage of students in grades K-8th that are reading at grade level, we must improve our ability to accelerate struggling readers and challenge performing readers.

Action Plan

Milestones	Category	Target Group	Responsible Party	Start	Completed	Status	Comments & Next Steps
Identify and hire two Literacy Coordinators with CCCS experience/exposure.	Staffing	All	Administration	Summer 2012	Summer 2012		
In each classroom, conduct an audit of existing texts aligned to the CCSS and purchase supplemental high- quality texts, including materials for ELL students and special education instructional setting classrooms.	Instructional Materials	All	Administration, All Teachers	Summer 2012	Quarter 2		
Identify and purchase a high-quality basal series for grades K-8th and provide teachers PD opportunities on using the purchased materials effectively.	Instructional Materials	All	Administration, All Teachers	Summer 2012	Quarter 1		
Distribute and review District/Network developed CCCS Literacy curriculum maps and other documents.	Instructional Materials	All	Administration, All Teachers	Summer 2012	Summer 2012		
Administrators, literacy coordinators, teacher leaders, and Network personnel will deliver CCCS PD to each grade band during the opening in-service days.	Professional Development	All	ILT	Summer 2012	Summer 2012		
Review Network PM Schedule and identify days for collaborative CCSS Literacy planning and the development and scoring of performance assessments.	Professional Development	All	ILT	Summer 2012	Summer 2012		
Review CCCS Literacy units during ILT quarterly to promote refinement and vertical alignment.	Professional Development	All	ILT	Quarter 1	Quarter 4		
Use grade-level meetings for collaborative unit planning aligned to the CCCS.	Professional Development	All	ILT	Quarter 1	Quarter 4		
Use CSI and 21st Century funding to develop after school and Saturday programming that features highly qualified teachers providing high-quality instruction, particularly in reading.	After School/ Extended Day	All	Administration, CH&A Program Coordinator	Quarter 1	Quarter 4		



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Strategic Priority 2						
Purchase computers to create an Annex Computer Lab and create a schedule for regular use by all classes for the purposes of conducting research, developing reports, and using the Achieve 3000 instructional reading software.	Equipment/ Technology	All	Administration	Quarter 1	Quarter 4	
Create a schedule for regular use of the four laptop carts to ensure that students in grades 3rd-8th have additional opportunities to conduct research and use the Achieve3000 and Study Island software packages.	Equipment/ Technology	All	Administration	Quarter 1	Quarter 4	



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Strategic Priority 3

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Strategic Priority Description	Rationale
Teachers will unpack the Math CCCS to identify a subset of grade-level math skill benchmarks for students in grades	To increase the percentage of students in grades 5th-8th that are performing at or above grade level, we must
5th-8th, develop strategies to promote these benchmarks, and monitor students' progress in achieving these	ensure that students master particular developmental math benchmarks each year.
benchmarks.	

Action Plan

Target Responsible Milestones Category Start Completed Status **Comments & Next Steps** Group Party 5th-8th Math teachers will unpack the Math CCCS to Assistant Principal, ILT/ Teacher conduct a crosswalk of 5th grade EDM, CMP, and the IAFs All 5th-8th Math Summer 2012 Quarter 2 Teams to identify gaps in our instructional programs. Teachers Teachers will identify a subset of CCCS grade-level math skill benchmarks for students in grades 5th-8th and Assistant Principal, develop strategies to promote these benchmarks during All Instruction 5th-8th Math Summer 2012 Quarter 4 collaborative planning sessions during non-PM team Teachers meetings. Teachers will monitor students' progress in achieving these Assistant Principal, benchmarks quarterly by administering and scoring a Instruction All 5th-8th Math Quarter 1 Quarter 4 quarterly performance assessment. Teachers The Math Team, led by AP McDonald, will analyze Assistant Principal, students' assessment data (including AMAT and All 5th-8th Math Instruction Quarter 1 Quarter 4 performance tasks) using the data analysis protocols Teachers according to the PM Schedule. The Math Team led by AP McDonald, will use identified strengths and weaknesses to develop targeted growth Assistant Principal, 5th-8th Math plans for specific students and specific whole class skills for Instruction All Quarter 1 Quarter 4 reteaching. Plan implementation will be monitored by AP Teachers McDonald. Teachers will identify and assign guarterly Study Island Assistant Principal, study courses to reinforce selected skills. AP McDonald will All 5th-8th Math Instruction Quarter 1 Quarter 4 review lesson plans and Study Island to data to ensure Teachers effective use of this resource. Conduct a curriculum review during the August Open Parental Quarter 1 All All Teachers House events that presents the identified grade-level Quarter 1 Involvement benchmarks and expectations to parents.

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Strategic Priority 3						
Conduct a mid-year Family Math Night to share specific instructional strategies with parents.	Parental Involvement	All	All Teachers	Quarter 2	Quarter 2	
Conduct 2 "Bring Your Parent to Math Class" days to have parents participate in a strategically selected Everyday Math or Connected Math lesson to improve their capacity to support their students.	Parental Involvement	All	All Teachers	Quarter 2	Quarter 4	



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Strategic Priority 4

Instructions: Develop milestones for each strategic priority that you will implement. Milestones are significant steps that a school must accomplish in the implementation of the strategic priority. Milestones are SMART (Specific, Measurable, Attainable, Realistic, and Time-bound). Indicate the category and group of students to which the milestone applies, the responsible party and the timeline. You will update the status and next steps throughout the year as part of your continuous improvement cycle.

Strategic Priority Description	Rationale
Under the supervision of the admin and the literacy coordinator, the staff will collaborate to implement a	To decrease the number of students that are not making adequate progress or meeting academic benchmarks,
comprehensive Rtl process for literacy that includes multiple intervention options, planning support, and extensive	we must improve our capacity to identify and intervene with struggling students.
progress monitoring.	

Action Plan

Milestones	Category	Target Group	Responsible Party	Start	Completed	Status	Comments & Next Steps
Establish an RtI Management Team that includes the literacy coordinator, principals, bilingual lead teacher, and counselor/case manager.	Other	All	Administration	Summer 2012	Summer 2012		
Create schedule for monthly meetings of the RtI Management Team.	Other	All	Administration	Summer 2012	Summer 2012		
Revise the Cameron Rtl Process by establishing clear guidelines for beginning the process (i.e. moving to Tier II).	Other	All	RtI Management Team	Summer 2012	Summer 2012		
Revise the Cameron Rtl Process by establishing a streamlined catalog of resources for selecting interventions.	Other	All	RtI Management Team	Summer 2012	Summer 2012		
Revise the Cameron Rtl Process by establishing clear guidelines for moving tiers.	Other	All	RtI Management Team	Summer 2012	Summer 2012		
Revise the Cameron Rtl Process by establishing improved procedures for tracking interventions.	Other	All	RtI Management Team	Summer 2012	Summer 2012		
Revise the Cameron Rtl Process by establishing process for prioritizing and scheduling Tier IV meetings in a more timely fashion.	Other	All	RtI Management Team	Summer 2012	Summer 2012		
Establish meeting times for regular collaboration between teachers and their assigned member of the Rtl Management Team.	Other	All	RtI Management Team	Quarter 1	Quarter 1		
Conduct 1st quarter Rtl Review to determine successes, struggles, and procedural improvements.	Other	All	RtI Management Team	Quarter 1	Quarter 1		
Conduct 2nd quarter Rtl Review to determine successes, struggles, and procedural improvements.	Other	All	RtI Management Team	Quarter 2	Quarter 2		
Conduct 3rd quarter Rtl Review to determine successes, struggles, and procedural improvements.	Other	All	Rtl Management Team	Quarter 3	Quarter 3		

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 Strategic Priority 4

 Conduct 4th quarter Rtl Review to determine successes, struggles, and procedural improvements.
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Strategic Priority 5

Instructions: Develop milestones for each strategic priority that you will implement. Milestones are significant steps that a school must accomplish in the implementation of the strategic priority. Milestones are SMART (Specific, Measurable, Attainable, Realistic, and Time-bound). Indicate the category and group of students to which the milestone applies, the responsible party and the timeline. You will update the status and next steps throughout the year as part of your continuous improvement cycle.

Strategic Priority Description	Rationale
	The home-school connection Cameron must ensure that students are supported in achieving their academic and emotional goals by increasing the number of parents that are aware of Cameron's Core Values and community.

Action Plan

Responsible Target Milestones Category Start Completed Status **Comments & Next Steps** Group Party Administration, CH&A Family Leadership Refine the Cameron Kick-off to include mandatory parental Parental All Coordinator, CH&A Summer 2012 Summer 2012 participation and orientation elements. Involvement Program Coordinator, PAC, BAC Staff Committees, CH&A Family Establish, advertise, implement, and track the attendance Leadership of a calendar of monthly family events (both during and Parental All Coordinator, CH&A Summer 2012 Quarter 4 after school), including Open House and Family Literacy Involvement Program Night. Coordinator, PAC, BAC Implement two staff neighborhood tours (August and April) Parental Administration, All to promote our mission and vision, to promote school All Summer 2012 Quarter 3 Teachers, All ESPs Involvement events, and to improve the school-home connection. Require all staff members to maintain weekly home Administration, All connection logs with a minimum of 10 contacts per week. Other All Quarter 1 Quarter 4 Teachers, Clerk Clerk monitors weekly and reports to Principal. Administration, CH&A Family Develop a cohort of parent volunteers that have specific Leadership Parental performance expectations, receive specific training, and All Coordinator, CH&A Quarter 1 Quarter 1 Involvement have set schedules. Program Coordinator, PAC, BAC



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Strategic Priority 5 Establish a Home Visit Team including guidelines for	Parental		Administration,			
naking referrals.	Involvement	All	Home Visit Team	Quarter 1	Quarter 4	
Parent leadership groups (with facilitation from the CH&A Family Leadership Coordinator) will develop and mplement a survey to assess Title I parents interests in a Pariety of educational topics.	Parental Involvement	All	Administration, CPU Committee, CH&A Family Leadership Coordinator, CH&A Program Coordinator, PAC, BAC	Quarter 1	Quarter 1	
Collaborate with community partners to develop and mplement Cameron Parent University (CPU) to offer parents a variety of enrichment and educational opportunities.	Parental Involvement	All	Administration, CPU Committee, CH&A Family Leadership Coordinator, CH&A Program Coordinator, PAC, BAC	Quarter 2	Quarter 4	
Recruit parents and local professionals to participate as presenters for the Cameron Career Day.	Parental Involvement	All	Administration, CH&A Family Leadership Coordinator, CH&A Program Coordinator, PAC, BAC	Quarter 4	Quarter 4	