

Pilsen-Little Village Elementary Network 2832 W 24th Blvd Chicago, IL 60623

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Mission Statement

Telpochcalli (Nahuatl for "house of youth") school is comprised of students, teachers, families and artists who aspire to cultivate socially-conscious students who understand, appreciate and contribute positively to development of self, family, community and world. Our small school is dedicated to integrating the arts and Mexican culture into an innovative challenging academic and social experience and to the development of fully bilingual/biliterate students in English and Spanish. This prepares students to be college and career ready.

Strategic Priorities

- 1. Teachers will continue to develop mini-lessons using the mini-lesson format (connection, teach, active engagement, link)in literacy and content areas.
- 2. Teachers will develop units and PA to support implementation of the CCSS.
- 3. Faculty will focus on refining the bilingual framework to support all students on-going development in Eng/Span.

School Performance Goals

Literacy Performance Goals Math Performance Goals ■ SY2011 ■ SY2012 ■ SY2013 ■ SY2014 SY2011 SY2012 SY2013 SY2014 100% 100% 90% 90% 80% 70% 60% 50% 40% 30% 20% 10% 80% 70% 58.0 60% 48.0 25.4 30.0 34.0 38.0 31.8 35.0 38.0 40.0 30.8 33.0 36.0 39.0 40.0 50% 13.6 ^{20.0} 24.0 ^{30.0} 31.3 40% 18.2 20.0 22.0 24.0 30% 4.5 8.0 11.0 15.0 20% 10% Early Math Gr6-8 Math Gr3-5 Math **Gr8 Explore** Early Literacy Gr3-5 Reading **Gr6-8 Reading Gr8 Explore**



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 www.cps.edu/CIWP for detailed instructions on completing the tool.

School Name	
To get started, please select your school's name from the drop down list:	Telpochcalli Elementary School

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			
Martha Elena Maldonado	Classroom Teacher			
Maria D. Soria	Special Education Faculty			
Jennifer Klonsky	Classroom Teacher			
Rebecca Provencher	ELL Teacher			
Daniel P. Sullivan	Parent/ Guardian			
Diana Guerrero	Parent/ Guardian			
Irma Contreras	LSC Member			
Ma. Teresa Cosme	Counselor/Case Manager			
Tamara Witzl	Principal			
Eloy Reyes	Community Member			
Maria D. Velazquez	Community Member			
Elizabeth Pagan	ELL Teacher			





Elementary Goal Setting

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Academic Achievement

re-K - 2nd Grade	SY2011 Score	SY2012 Goal	SY2013 Goal	SY2014 Goal
at Benchmark on DIBELS,	31.3	40.0	48.0	58.0
· 5th Grade				
evel Performance - Reading dents at or above grade level ron/NWEA	13.6	20.0	24.0	30.0
ng Pace - Reading rudents making growth targets ntron/NWEA	50.8	52.0	54.0	56.0
- 8th Grade				
Level Performance - Reading audents at or above grade level ntron/NWEA	25.4	30.0	34.0	38.0
ing Pace - Reading students making growth targets antron/NWEA	54.4	57.0	59.0	62.0
Grade				
e - Reading udents at college readiness nark	18.2	20.0	22.0	24.0





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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	95.4	96.0	96.0	96.0	Misconducts Rate of Misconducts (any) per 100	2.7	2.0	2.0	2.0

State Assessment

All Grades % Meets & Exceeds	SY2011 Score	SY2012 Goal	SY2013 Goal	SY2014 Goal	All Grades % Exceeds	SY2011 Score	SY2012 Goal	SY2013 Goal	SY201
ISAT - Reading % of students meeting or exceeding state standards	54.3	58.0	60.5	62.0	ISAT - Reading% of students exceeding statestandards	7.3	9.0	11.0	13.0
ISAT - Mathematics% of students meeting or exceeding state standards	64.5	67.0	69.0	71.0	ISAT - Mathematics% of students exceeding statestandards	8.4	11.0	13.0	15.0
ISAT - Science % of students meeting or exceeding state standards	43.5	46.0	48.0	50.0	ISAT - Science% of students exceeding statestandards	4.3	7.0	9.0	11.0



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Typical School	Effective School	Evidence Evaluation
Goals and theory of action		> 2
 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. 		Our school has developed goals for students which aim to make each student successful and develop their capacity to achieve a high levels. We share student success and continuously collabot to support students by sharing student progress and intervention Each cluster keeps a list of students who are targeted for intervention and monitors student progress at monthly cluster meetings. Our school community has focused on our TOA to be understand CCSS and focus on instructional improvement through mini-lessons. Fidelity of implementation is monitored by the principal and our ILT. Attending PD and sharing learning is part our regular faculty PD.
Principal Leadership		> 3
Professional learning is organized through whole	Principal creates a professional learning system that	*Our PLC is organized horizontally by clusters and vertically by
staff development but it is not tightly linked to what	evaluates teacher need and interest and builds	content. Our weekly 2 hour PD time is spent in a range of ways
happens in teacher team meetings or 1:1 coaching	opportunities for growth in content knowledge and	which research supports improve teaching and learning. Guideo
cycles.	leadership	protocols and agendas for each meeting, teachers engage in
Principal monitors instructional practice for teacher	 Principal clarifies a vision for instructional best practice, 	professional readings, critical feedback, unit/lesson planning,
evaluations.	works with each staff member to determine goals and	collaborative sharing of practices and dilemas, examine a robus
School-wide or class specific vision is not	benchmarks, monitors quality and drives continuous	range of student data. The topics and areas of focus as develop
consistently focused on college and career	improvement.	with the faculty and principal. Principal attends all sessions and
eadiness	 Principal establishes and nurtures a culture of college and 	guides some of the sessions .
Principal provides basic information for families on	career readiness through clarity of vision, internal and	*Princial continuously communicates with all members of the
school events and responds to requests for	external communications and establishment of systems to	school community. Through face to face meetings, discussions,
nformation. Families and community are engaged	support students in understanding and reaching these	classroom visits, e-mail, regular meetings, the principal stays in
	goals.	close contact with students, teachers, parent and community
houses or curriculum nights.	Principal creates a system for empowered families and	members. Monthly calendars, numerous postings and mailings
	communities through accurate information on school	regular student progress commuications (phone, conferences,

performance, clarity on student learning goals, and

opportunities for involvement.

reports)keep families and students informed of events,

opportunities and learning progress. Additional grants support.





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Teacher Leadership		>	3
A core group of teachers performs nearly all	Each teacher is invested in the success of the school	Our teachers are deeply involved in the success of the	school. All
leadership duties in the school.	through leadership in one or more areas, including (but not	faculty members are involved in co-curricular activites,	, classes and
 A few voices tend to contribute to the majority of 	limited to):	support outside of the traditional school day. Every fa	culty member
decision-making at the ILT and teacher team levels.	-ILT membership	is a participant in our PLC. Each teacher is part of the F	RTI team and
 Teacher learning and expertise is inconsistently 	-Grade/Course team lead	data team connected to their cluster. Each year teach	ers mentor
shared after engagement in professional learning	- RtI team	student teachers or students internships. This year - 6	5% of our
activities.	-Committee chair or membership	faculty have been involved in mentoring student teach	ers thought
	-Mentor teacher	semester long student teaching or trimester internship	os; 100% are
	-Curriculum team	active union members, 70% have participated in wrtg.	outside
	-Coach	grants, 100% have attended workshops or conferences	s outside of
	-Family liaison	our school, 100% have participated in some combination	on the CIWP,
	-Data team	IL T, FDS; 100% of our faculty are involved w/ Dual Lan	guage;
	-Bilingual lead	teacher learning is continually shared and guided by ou	ur PLC.
	-SIPAAA/CWIP team	Teachers, visitors, PD providers, university and commu	ınity partners
	-Union representative	continually commend us on the high quality of teacher	s and the
	-Grant writer	high level of committment that is demonstrated to our	rstudents
	• Each teacher has equity of voice in grade/course, ILT and	and their success.	
	whole staff meetings		
	Each teacher is encouraged to share learning about		
	effective practice from PD or visits to other schools		





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Instructional Leadership Team (ILT)		2
 The ILT represents some or most grade levels or 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. ILT analyzes student test data if new data is available. 	 The school's ILT is assembled based on the combination of 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 processes and effectiveness and takes actions to improve its functioning and progress towards school-wide goals. The ILT regularly analyzes qualitative and quantitative data to monitor the implementation of school's plan and make adjustments accordingly 	Telpochcalli's ILT is structured to ensure all members of our the faculty and staff are working together and maintain focus on students. Together the ILT is accutely aware and able to keep our focus on improving teaching and learning for all students. ILT members decide and lead PD efforts. Identifing needs through looking at a range of data, ILT members participate and share responsibility for communicating among themselves and with all faculty members. Our ILT meets every other week and reviews progress on chosen goals. Upon making progress based on qualitative and quantitative data presented and discussed, the tear reflects on learning, adjusts goals and proceeds to work. As a small school, communication and direction is coordinated and supported All members of the faculty have a clear path to participate the ILT.
Monitoring and adjusting		3
Data for district assessments is occasionally analyzed at the school level, typically when new reports are made available. Analysis may lead to instructional practice.	The school has a systematic approach to analyzing data relative to the school's theory of action on an ongoing basis—at the school level, department/grade level, and classroom level—in order to make adjustments to their focus and to target support for particular teachers and students.	Our TOA guides our work and our levers were chosen because the targeted teachers practice and learning we wanted to improve. We have regularly reflected, shared learning and adjusted our levers to gage if our focus is effective. We have analyzed data to guide our work. Since our levers focus on teacher learning (CCSS) and minilessons, teacher evaluations of their learning and improvement of practice have been used to assess progress in addition to student data. We look forward to continuely this learning. Teachers report it has been effective and helpful in their practice.

Date Stamp November 22, 2012





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Typical School Effective School Evidence Evaluation Curriculum • Curricular pacing/scope and sequence is most often • Each grade level or course team has a year-long scope Collectively, our cluster teams work together to address curriulum. determined by the pacing set forth in instructional and sequence that maps out what Common Core or other At the same time, content teams focus on content scope and materials or by an individual teacher. state standards teachers should teach and in what order in sequence to ensure the school has a plan to follow and connect • Each teacher develops his/her own units of core subject areas. learning from K-8. Our faculty exposure and understanding of the instruction or follows what is suggested by the • Each grade level or course team develops/uses common CCSS is developing and we are working to connect what we have in pacing provided in instructional materials. units of instruction aligned to the standards. place and identify other needs. Core subjects have a scope and • Text used for instruction exposes some students to • Text used for instruction exposes all students to a gradesequence established. Materials are in place including leveled text grade-appropriate complexity and is heavily focused appropriate level of complexity and informational texts to sets which are topic based. Balanced literacy instuction and on fiction. at least the CCSS-recommended levels by grade band. pedogogy addressing students diverse needs are designed to give • Short- and long-term plans do not consistently Short and long term plans include the supports necessary all students access to the core content. Ongoing teacher **DIMENSION** differentiate by learner need. to ensure that students with disabilities and ELLs are able collaboration supports alignment to standards. A wide range of to gain core content knowledge and skills. materials and text are available in all classrooms. Allocations for ensuring teachers have the materials they need is a priority for the principal and faculty.

Instructional materials

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- Core instructional materials vary between teachers of the same grade/course or are focused mainly on a single textbook with little exposure to standardsaligned 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).

We are grouped by cluster grades K-2, 3-5 and 6-8. We have materials which are aligned with standards and each year identify where we need to replace or supplement materials. We are reviewing and evaluating our instructional materials to ensure we have adequate materials to meet the CCSS. We have many materials available and used in all classrooms in a variety of content. We have leveled books and content text sets. Teachers in collaboration with the principal identify needs and ensure funds are available for materials each year.

Reading Materials Survey: In addition to evaluating your school in this area, we encourage schools to begin inventorying grade level literacy materials by completing the survey at www.surveymonkey.com/s/materialsurvey. While this is not a comprehensive inventory of your school's instructional materials, this will help you identify the additional literacy materials needed to help implement the Common Core State Standards in the upcoming school year. We continually need to find high quality Spanish language materials across





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Assessment		> 3	
 School wide data is available to the ILT. Teacher team or classroom data is not always available when 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. 	 School-wide, teacher team and classroom data is 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, formative, and summative – to monitor student learning on a frequent basis. Assessment methods (e.g., student work, selected response, constructed response, performance task) are aligned with the standard(s) being assessed (e.g., knowledge mastery, reasoning proficiency, performance skills, ability to create products). Assessment accommodations and modifications are in place to ensure that students with disabilities and ELLs are able to appropriately demonstrate their knowledge and skills. 	All teachers who administer SCANTRON have access the data immediately. All teachers K-2 who adminster TRC/STEP have access to their student data immediately. All teachers have access and know how to use CIM where student assessment data is stored grade. The cluster teams use a robust set of available assement and data when regularly monitoring student progress which includes, but is not limited to benchmark, formative, summative screening and diagnostic assessments. Thus, students are consistently assesed using, but not limited to student work, a variety of written responses, unit assessments, standard assessments, summative and formative assessments, performant assessments and demonstrations of learning. All modifactions a accomodations are made to meet the needs of all of our student We are always refining our use of student assessment data to improve our practice, target interventions and guide improvements.	d I 3-8 its e, ince and nts.





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Instruction

- Communication of the learning objective is 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.

- Each teacher clearly communicates with students the 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.
- Each teacher scaffolds instruction to ensure all students, including students with disabilities and English language learners access complex texts and engage in complex tasks.
- Each teacher regularly uses formative assessment during instruction to monitor student progress and check for understanding of student learning.

Teachers regulary communicate with their students regarding the learning objective(s). Rubrics are used and guide student work in most content areas. Connecting students learning to relevancy is present in most instances, yet, could be more consistent and clear. Directions and procedures for engaging in the students is consise and ample work time is supported and provided. A range of questions from low to high level are present in lessons. Teachers are accutely aware of the need to promote student thinking which leads to deep demonstrated understanding. In classrooms, teacher techniques scaffold learning for all students. Student are taught and know how to use strategies to successfully access tasks. Increasing task complexity is an area of focus and study for our faculty. Teachers use a variety of formative assessments during instruction to monitor student progress. Teacher understanding and knowledgee about each student and their progress is well understood and they are able to effectively communicate individual student progress to students, parents and colleagues.



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Typical School Effective School Evidence Evaluation

Intervention

- Decision-making about how to determine which students are in need of intervention, what 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.
- success of interventions is not regularly monitored.

 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.

Decisions about which students need what kind of intervention are in place. Teachers regularly address student need and interventions at the classroom level as well as the cluster and ILT meetings. A majority of the faculty are trained to administer diagnostic assessments which point to learning needs, however, time to administer is difficult to find. Small group instruction to target needs is provided in all classrooms. Some push-in support is provided by teachers and in some cases, support occurs outside of the classroom which targets learning gaps. Though our RTI teams, we look at targeted students every 5 weeks to make adjustments.

Whole staff professional development

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- Whole staff professional development occurs regularly but is not tightly aligned to the school's priorities.
 - Quality, effectiveness or relevance of professional development is not monitored.
- The school has a year-long, focused plan for whole staff professional development aligned to school-wide priorities and growth goals.
- The school has a method for continually monitoring the effectiveness of all professional development (including coaching and teacher collaboration).
- School-wide structures ensure that professional development is ongoing, job-embedded and relevant to teachers.

Since its inception, Telpochcalli has had a strong PD at its core. The whole faculty/staff PD is part of each week. There is a plan for our professional development which is decided by the faculty. We have a structure which guides this time and it includes- cluster teams, PLC-professional readings, curricular committees, Dual language learning, collegial feedback using a protocol focused on teacher practice and student work, work on CCSS and our levers. Adjustments are made through out the year to accomodate needs and outside demands. We evaluate at the end of each session. Most of our sessions are lead or guided by our teachers(ILT) and principal. Collaborative cluster work is facilitated by teachers.

Professional



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Grade-level and/or course teams

- Teachers meet regularly but it is focused on a mix of 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 education teachers only. Special education, bilingual or other specialists typically plan and meet separately or only join the group occasionally.
- There are meeting agendas, but no clear protocols or norms for discussion.

- Teachers collaborate in regular cycles: quarterly for longterm 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.

We have cluster teams and cross content curriculum teams. We have agendas for each meeting and we have professional learning community norms developed for our professional community. We often use professional protocols to guide our collaborations. The protocols change depending on the activity or focus. All of our teams consist of gen. ed teachers, spec. ed teachers and bilingual teachers. Teacher are invest in the success of all students and collaborate to share ideas, information, review data and plan for interventions, instruction and improvement.

Instructional coaching

- Coaching typically takes place through informal associations or is only focused on a smaller group of teachers.
- Formal support for new teachers comes from district-sponsored induction.
- Professional development decisions are not systematized and left to teacher initiative/discretion.
- Teachers occasionally receive quality feedback to support individual growth.
- Peer observation and cross-classroom visitation happens occasionally, but not as an integral part of the school's plan for professional learning.

- 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.

We lack resourses to provide coaching at the level needed for maximum professional growth and learning. Currently, we have some resources in place- New Teacher induction, Math support-NEIU, cluster support for collaboration, planning and problem solving, DL support, extensive mentoring of student teachers/university partnerships. We have systematized PD as well as individual PD opportunities supporting individual teacher needs. We lack consistent peer observations/cross-classroom visitation due to lack of resources (funding & consistent high quality substitutes). We do not lack the will or desire to make peer observation an integral part of our professional community.

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High expectations & College-going culture		> 4
• Some staff members reinforce expectations for all students to aspire to college and career ready standards, or expectations are only reinforced for some students.	 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 	All of our faculty and staff believe in each students abilities and capabilities. We diligently work to reinforce high expections for each student. We are driven to keep every student focused on achieving and provide on-going high quality opportunities for learning and development. Students are empowered to take responsiblity for their learning and we explicitly develop student voices. At the same time, we listen to students. We want to hear what they need, think and dream. College, post secondary and li long learning is our goal for every student. We are dedicated to ensuring our students have every opportunity to learning and
Relationships		> 4
 Some students form bonds with adult advocates. Patterns of interaction between adults and students and among students are inconsistent Students with disabilities are typically confined to a special education classroom with few opportunities to interact with peers. Student home language and culture is often overlooked. 	 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. 	Our school has an intense focus on ensuring each student is kno and supported. Consistently, our students report they feel respected and supported. We promote positive behavior management and self-control. Appropriate and fair responses to student behaviors are implements. Our school environment and school community speak to students language, families and culti in large and small ways. Visitors to our school regularly share th fact that the school is filled with love, caring, sharing and empowerment.
Behavior& Safety		
 Discipline violations and positive behavior supports are handled differently between teachers without school wide norms. School environment occasionally leads to situations un-conducive to learning. 	approach to student discipline and tiered approach to behavioral intervention that recognizes and builds on	We implement Positive Behavior Discipline. This begins in the classroom though setting up an environment of respect and generating up to 5 simple classroom rules. It includes class meetings which take place at regular intervals and move from teacher directed to students directed. Agendas for these meetir can be set by the students or teachers. Support groups are implemented to help students develop postive social relationshi Anger management and conflict resolution programs are suppor





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Expectations		> 4
 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. 	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.	On numerous occassions throughout the school year, the principal provides clear information for families on the school's performation she accurately and effectively explains the information so familial understand how this information is related to their child(ren). Examples of these times are - Curriculum night, LSC mtgs, PAC mtgs., BAC mtgs, parent conferences and Family reading -mathscience nights. Our teachers provide all families information about expectations student achievement at specific grades. Examples of these times are- Curriculum night, report card conference 2x/year, individual parent conferences, family reading-math-science nights, DL presentations, other parent conference requested by the teacher parents or principal.
Ongoing communication		> 4
 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. 	All of our faculty, staff and adminstration are engaged continuous in reaching out to communicate with families. Via phone, e-mai conference and mail we communicate with families to ensure graph level expectations are shared. Through workshops, conferences and demonstrations we show parents how they can suppport the child's learning at home. At the same time, we create a wealth opportunities (conferences, mtgs, phone calls, e-mails, school
Bonding		> 4
 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. 	Telpochcalli is a welcoming environment. Through more tradition means as well as through home visits, workshops, classes, counseling services, LANS support, support groups and leadersh development we provide a wide range of ways to support parent engagement. We have annual events such as family-art, read, mand science night. We conduct DL learning sessions to inform a support parent learning about language learning and language development. Each trimester, our teachers and artists demonst

the learning from our artist residency program. New this year, we will have our middle school students demonstrate their learning





School Effectiveness Framework

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Typical School	Effective School	<u>Evidence</u> <u>Evaluati</u>
Specialized support		> 4
 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. 	Our school faculty, staff and administration conduct home visits when necessary and provide an ample amount of social services collaboration with outside agencies to support our families. We continually seek additional resources and funding to meet our families needs.
College & Career Exploration and election		> 4
 Information about college or career choices is 	The school provides early and ongoing exposure to	In the early grades we introduce our students to the range of
orovided.	experiences and information necessary to make informed	careers. We also take our students on a variety of field trips to
	decisions when selecting a college or career that connects	connect learning and expose our students to many oppportunition
	to academic preparation and future aspirations.	In the upper grades, student explore careers, have presentations
		from different professions. We have taken our middle grade
Academic Planning		> 3
• Support for college and career planning is provided	 The school provides support for student planning, 	We guide our middle school students through a process of plann
for some students. Information and opportunities to	preparation, participation, and performance in their college	and researching options for careers. Then, they explore post
explore paths of interest are limited.	and career aspirations and goals through a rigorous	secondary opportunities to help them reach these goals. We
 The school encourages high performing students to 	academic program and access to information and	evaluate students progress based on outcomes shared and rubri
plan on taking advanced courses.	opportunities.	which support students taking responsibility for their learning ar
	, ,,	results. One on one conversations are held with each student to
	taking and performance patterns (e.g., AP) and removes	determine where there performance is and what needs to
	barriers to access.	improvment. We take middle school students to visit colleges, h
		presentations from colleges and college students and provide
Enrichment 9 Eytracurricular Engagement		support throughout HS and searching for college opportunities,
Enrichment & Extracurricular Engagement	• The school ensures equitable expenses to a wide range of	Talnochealli has a wide range of appartunities for students to
• Extracurricular activities exist but may be limited in	·	Telpochcalli has a wide range of opportunities for students to
 Enrichment & Extracurricular Engagement 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 	extracurricular and enrichment opportunities that build leadership, nurture talents and interests, and increase	participate in extended learning opportunities. Due to grants an additional funding (CSI, Gear UP, SES, CAPE, GOR) our students h
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	Typical School	Evidence	Evaluation	
O	College & Career Assessments		>	4
DIMENSIO	Students do not participate in college and career ready assessments	The school promotes preparation, participation, and performance in college and career assessments.	Telpochcalli participates in all college and career asses available to students.	ssment made
	College & Career Admissions and Affordability		·>	4
	Students in 11th and 12th grade are provided information on college options, costs and financial aid. Transitions	• 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.	A wide range of opportunities are provided to parents regarding college. Through workshops, college visits, students sharing their experiences and reserch, we exstudents and support them in setting college as their relpochcalli graduates, our doors are open to support the college application and financial aid process. Curr UP will support and increase our efforts. Additionally LULAC has a college center located in our facility to support and increase our efforts.	college pose our goal. For them through ently, GEAR we have a pport
	TransitionsTransitions between key grades provide families	The school works to ensure effective transitions—into	Telpochcalli reaches out to the community and familie	3
	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 are registered and ready for kindergarten. We multiple announcements and talk to families about kindergarten where work with our community programming to ensure families are supported as they transition in to benchmand HS transition. We meet regularly with 8th grade the each quarter) to make sure they are supported in the We encourage students to return to us for help and suthroughout the years. Each year, our 8th grade students	Te share ndergarten. e students and nark grades families (once HS transition.

discretion/initiative of individual teachers, during

core courses.

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only provides for 75 minutes as given in the parameters. This is a loss for us. We have created a schedule to provide intervention

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Typical School	Effective School	Evidence E	Evaluatio		
Use of Discretionary Resources		>	4		
hemselves to the school. Funding of non-priority initiatives is common	 School allocates discretionary spending to align with 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. School maintains focus on use of resources for the student achievement growth necessary for every student to graduate college and career ready. 	We are focused on spending our funds to support studer and achievement. Without questions, we are most conce focused on ensure our student have a future filled with career success. We write and receive a number of additito supplement the funds we receive. See specifics above	cerned a college a cional gra		
Building a Team		>	4		
All or nearly all applicants have little to no prior connection to the school. Interviews typically consist of an interview with the	 staff capacity and scheduling priorities. School actively works to build a pool of potential staff members through internships and part-time work. A multistep interview process includes a protocol for questioning and classroom lesson demonstrations to assess candidate expertise, philosophy and commitment. Grade/course teams are assembled to include the needed combination of knowledge and expertise. 	We hire based on needs and faculty/staff capacity. We use our network of partners and draw on our student teachers and other internship participants to get superior candidates. We have a committee of teachers and the principal to review applicant resumes and conduct interviews. Our interviews conducted in English and Spanish. Candidates submit writing samples in English and Spanish. Perspective teachers teach a lesson observed by the principal and at least two teacher members of the committee. Sometimes a second interview is conducted. We have used this process for many years.			
Use of Time		>	3		
• 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. 	We have a FSD plan which provides for student needs for school-wide growth goals. We have tried to maximize th teacher collaboration, but this "new" schdule actually proless full faculty/staff time than we have had in the past. I	he time rovides		
	Struggling students receive structured intervention in	restructured school day, we have 120 minutes. Our 2013			

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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

Telpochcalli (Nahuatl for "house of youth") school is comprised of students, teachers, families and artists who aspire to cultivate socially-conscious students who understand, appreciate and contribute positively to development of self, family, community and world. Our small school is dedicated to integrating the arts and Mexican culture into an innovative challenging academic and social experience and to the development of fully bilingual/biliterate students in English and Spanish. This prepares students to be college and career ready.

Strate	egic Priorities	
#	Priority Description: Write in the description of your priority.	Rationale: Write in your rationale (see instructions for guiding questions).
1	Teachers will continue to develop mini-lessons using the mini-lesson format (connection, teach, active engagement, link)in literacy and content areas.	This year, we have worked implementing mini-lessons through two cycles. We want to continue to build our capacity to ensure the lessons are clear focused and support student learning at high levels. Classroom observations indicate our teachers understand and implement the format of a mini-lesson. We need to improve on clearly presenting the objective and ensuring the student tasks deepen learning. Student data indicates most students meet their growth targets, but they are not working at grade level.
2	Teachers will develop units and PA to support implementation of the CCSS.	As we move into the CCSS, we will work to develop units and PA which support students improvement and move them forward to meet the new standards. Ensuring units include high level tasks will be a focus of the work.
3	Faculty will focus on refining the bilingual framework to support all students on-going development in Eng/Span.	Through classroom observations and teachers discussions, we have identified this priority. Dual Language programs need continuous support and refinement. We are committed to developing this opportunity for our students. We identified short term goals (Lit. assessment protocols, Spanish use, literancy block, simultateous literacy, written production in both languages, bridging and empowering the students and families with bilingualism). Long term goals included language outcomes/functions, differentiation of assignments/assessments for newcomers, latecomers, low literacy student, special education language development goals, integrating bridging work into unit plans and integrating scaffolding work into unit plans are the focus of this work.
4	Optional	
5	Optional	





Strategic Priority 1

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	observations indicate our teachers understand and implement the format of a mini-lesson. We need to improve
	on clearly presenting the objective and ensuring the student tasks deepen learning. Student data indicates most

Action Plan Monitoring

Milestones	Category	Target Group	Responsible Party	Start	Completed	Status	Comments & Next Steps
Two teachers from each cluster will develop a mini-lesson	ILT/ Teacher	All	teachers/principal	Quarter 1			
to share with colleagues.	Teams	All	tedericis, principal	Quarter 1			
In clusters, teachers give each other feedback on the minilesson.	ILT/ Teacher Teams	All	teachers/principal	Quarter 1			
Teacher teach the mini-lesson and another	ILT/ Teacher	All	to a charc /principal	Ouartar 1			
teacher/principal observes.	Teams	All	teachers/principal	Quarter 1			
Teacher and observer meet to get feedback.	Professional Development	All	teachers/principal	Quarter 1			
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In clusters, teachers give each other feedback on the minilesson.	Professional Development	All	teachers/principal	Quarter 1			
Teacher teaches mini-lesson and another teacher/principal observes.	Instruction	All	teachers/principal	On-going			
Teacher and observer meet to get feedback.	Professional Development	All	teachers/principal	On-going			
On-going mini-lesson preparation by teachers and observation and feedback by teachers/principal.	ILT/ Teacher Teams	All	teachers/principal	On-going			





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Strategic Priority 2

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Strategic Priority Description	Rationale
	As we move into the CCSS, we will work to develop units and PA which support students improvement and move them forward to meet the new standards. Ensuring units include high level tasks will be a focus of the
	work.

Action Plan Monitoring

Milestones	Category	Target Group	Responsible Party	Start	Completed	Status	Comments & Next Steps
Teachers will work on development of a unit and PA to align to the CCSS.	Professional Development	All	teachers/principal/n etwork	Summer 2012			
Teachers will share their units PA with colleagues.	Professional Development	All	teachers	Quarter 1			
Teachers will support colleagues developing units and PA aligned to the CCSS.	Professional Development	All	teachers/principal	Quarter 1			
Teachers will implement designed unit & PA	Instruction	All	teachers/principal	Quarter 1			
Teachers will bring student work from the unit to get feedback from colleagues in PD.	Professional Development	All	teachers/principal	Quarter 1			
Teachers will work on development of a unit and PA to align to the CCSS.	Parental Involvement	All	teachers/principal	Quarter 1			
This cycle will repeat for each quarter.	Professional Development	All	teachers/principal	On-going			





Strategic Priority 2								





Strategic Priority 3

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Action Plan Monitoring

Milestones	Category	Target Group	Responsible Party	Start	Completed	Status	Comments & Next Steps
In collaboration with NEIU, Telpochcalli faculty and principal will plan a two day retreat to review and update our DL model.	Professional Development	All	Mt Garreton, MB, Liz, Tamara, Rosaba	Summer 2012			
Teachers will participate in the a two day retreat to review and update our DL model.	Professional Development	All	teachers, Dr. Garreton (NEIU),	Summer 2012			
Teachers will continue work from the DL retreat at monthly session during the year.	Professional Development	All	teachers	On-going			





Strategic Priority 3				





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

Action Plan Monitoring

Milestones	Category	Target Group	Responsible Party	Start	Completed	Status	Comments & Next Steps





Strategic Priority 5

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Strategic Priority Description	Rationale

Action Plan Monitoring

Milestones	Category	Target Group	Responsible Party	Start	Completed	Status	Comments & Next Steps