

Infinity Math Science and Technology High School / Plan summary

2018-2020 plan summary

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School Excellence Framework

Culture of & Structure for Continuous Improvement

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Leadership & Collective Responsibility:

Leadership & Collective Responsibility is characterized by an unwavering commitment to fulfilling a shared vision of success. There is a clear focus and high expectations for staff and students, motivating the entire school community to continue striving for success for every student.

The Mission of Infinity High School is to develop 21st century innovators by providing a safe, supportive and challenging learning community.

Vision: Prepared by the Infinity experience, students are empowered to:

- *Become active and socially responsible leaders,
- *Excel in post secondary endeavors,
- *Navigate the evolving fields of Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts and Math.

As evidenced by the 5 essentials survey, our standing as EFFECTIVE LEADERS stands at STRONG - 64/100 Representing its aggregate performance across the 4 indicators: Program Coherence, Teacher-Principal Trust, Teacher Influence, Instructional Leadership. (District average is 56/100).

There is evidence of weekly grade level and department meetings, facilitated by teacher leaders. Meeting minutes and agendas include instruction, curriculum planning, assessments, diverse and English language learners, interventions and logistics.

Teachers and staff engage in ongoing professional development internally, in collaboration with the Network and District, WIDA, Illinois Administrator's Academy, Gear Up and University Partnerships.

Moving forward we will continue to brand Infinity's mission and visions and promotion STEM education.

Guide for Leadership & Collective Responsibility

- $\circ~$ Set the direction and create a sense of purpose by building consensus on and implementing a shared vision.
 - Consider the demographics of the school community in developing a shared vision.

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- Help stakeholders understand the relationship between the school's vision and their initiatives and priorities.
- Consistently use informal and formal opportunities to champion and articulate the vision.
- Act in ways that consistently reflect the school's core values, beliefs, and priorities in order to establish trust.
- Ensure the school's identity, vision, and mission drive school decisions.
- Use the Multi-Tiered System of Support framework as a standard for how to distribute leadership and make significant decisions both academically and social-emotionally.
- . Inspire a culture of collective responsibility for the success of ALL students in the whole school (not solely teacher's own students).
- . Empower others to make or influence significant decisions.
 - Build shared leadership structures and opportunities for job-embedded leadership training and development.
 - · Capitalize on the leadership skills of others.
 - Constantly listen and synthesize what is heard, and learn from all sources.
- Employ the skills to effectively manage change.
 - Master skills associated with large-scale strategic planning processes and implementation of such plans.
 - Steer through the challenges associated with making improvements, both large and small
- · Create and sustain a coherent instructional program (coordinated and consistent) with learning goals.
- Use the CPS Framework for Teaching to ground instructional guidance and coaching.
 - Model ambitious goals for teaching and learning for all students, including priority groups.
 - Draw from the best available evidence to inform instructional improvement decisions.
- Enable staff to focus and prioritize what matters most.
 - Buffer staff from external distractions to the school's priorities and goals.
 - · Limit school improvement goals to a few high leverage activities.
 - Prioritize teaching challenging content, engaging students in learning, rigor and ways to raise achievement.

Suggested Evidence	 ✓ School's vision, beliefs, and how it is shared (e.g. presentations to community, promotional materials) ✓ Five Essentials – Program Coherence
Measures	✓ Five Essentials
Five Essentials	Effective Leaders Collaborative Teachers
CPS Framework for Teaching	4d. Growing and Developing Professionally 4e. Demonstrating Professionalism
CPS Performance Standards for School Leaders	A1. Assesses the Current State of School Performance and Develops a CIWP A2. Implements Data Driven Decision Making and Data Driven Instruction A5. School Vision and Mission Drive Decision-Making D4. Demonstrates Change Management

Instructional Leadership Team:

The ILT is characterized by having a consistent structure for teacher leadership that is focused on creating and implementing the theories of action that improve teaching and learning. ILT meetings are a productive forum to identify challenges, collect and review evidence, exchange ideas, and propose and implement solutions to challenges to school improvement.

ILT Effectiveness Rubric BOY composite score was 1.9 out of 4. Many of the instructional practices / strategies were calendared and some completed at the start of semester 2 such as cross content project #1 and teacher peer observations. MOY scores yield a score of 2.5 out of 4. The areas identified for growth were Professional Learning, and allotting more structured time to engage in the Problem Solving Process. ILT artifacts are accessible to all via Google Drive.

Shared facilitation and continuing to progress monitor action items will be the team's focus moving forward.

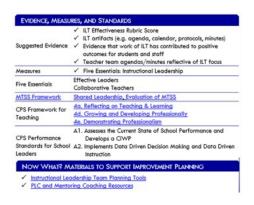
Guide for Instructional Leadership Team

- Engage in on-going inquiry (e.g. continuous improvement cycles) as a basis for improvement.
 - Gain productive insight and take substantial new action or adjust strategy that clearly addresses root causes.
 - Relentlessly ask, "Is it working?" about every program, initiative, and strategy in the school.
 - Vet Initiatives and strategies on the basis of their direct or proven impact on outcomes.
 - Monitor if previous actions were implemented (fidelity) and working as intended. Ask, "If not, why not?"
- · Share leadership for improving teaching and learning with representative school members.
 - Organize the team around a common understanding of team's purpose and instructional priorities.
 - Represent all relevant specialty content areas, programs, related services, and grade bands/department teams and is an appropriate size.
 - Represent a balance of work styles (e.g. task-oriented, provides push-back, synthesizes, etc.)
- Use protocols and ask probing questions.
 - Ask questions focused on factors within sphere of control and avoid a focus on student factors.
 - Use appropriate protocols and level of analysis (grade, school-wide, individuals) for meeting purpose.
 - Systematically consider root cause(s) based on thorough review of evidence.
- Use timely and relevant data/evidence sources.

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- Gather and use current and relevant local student, school, teacher performance (e.g. attendance data, assessment results), and operational data formatively to review and revise school and classroom practices as needed.
- Disaggregate data for priority student groups (e.g. English learners, diverse learners).
- · Schedule and structure frequent meetings.
 - Meet regularly (2-4 times per month).
 - Use an agenda with a clear focus.
- Collaborate effectively, value transparency, and inform and engage stakeholders.
 - All team members have equity of voice and are actively engaged in asking questions.
 - Celebrate small wins and improvements.
 - Regularly inform and engage stakeholders of key data and work of the ILT.
- Build the capacity of teacher teams to lead cycles of learning and problem solving focused on student learning data and student work.



Professional Learning:

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Professional Learning includes sufficient time, support, and 'safe practice' space to internalize new knowledge to change practice and

beliefs. Adults persevere in collaboration with their colleagues to innovate and improve implementation of new practices.

There is evidence of weekly grade level and department meetings, facilitated by teacher leaders. Meeting minutes and agendas include instructional best practices, curriculum planning, assessments, Diverse and English language learners, interventions and logistics.

Survey data shows that teachers feel the need to have more input on professional development topics and methods of delivery. Because of this, we have added professional learning topics to ILT agenda for professional development topics that staff feel would be most useful. Teachers also feel it is beneficial when there are hands-on learning opportunities for real time, strategic implementation. Moving forward, we will implement cycles of professional readings and discussions.

Guide for Professional Learning

Select and design professional learning (PL) to achieve school-wide improvement, including closing priority group achievement gaps.

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- Use data to identify performance and practice gaps to inform PL plan.
- Use research about best practices to identify potential learning and subject matter experts to support.
- Solicit feedback from staff to inform selection of PL opportunities.
- Provide PL relevant to the cultural and linguistic needs of students.
- Provide both whole staff and differentiated PL to individual teacher levels.
- Implement and sustain on-going, job-embedded professional learning (PL) (e.g. coaching, peer learning opportunities, action research)
 - Recommend and/or provide PL opportunities directly related to individuals' specific areas of need and professional growth goals.
 - Encourage staff to broaden networks to bring new knowledge and resources to learning environment.
 - Teachers initiate opportunities for professional growth and proactively seek opportunities to enhance content knowledge and pedagogical skill.
- Structure time for teachers to collaborate and learn together.
 - Create schedules and systems to conduct peer observations, and coaching. Reflect on its impact.
 - Teachers provide and accept collegial support and feedback to/from colleagues.
 - Teachers participate in and facilitate professional inquiry in teams to advance student learning.
- · Make 'safe practice' an integral part of professional learning.
 - Allow teachers ample time to try new strategies, refine skills, grapple with implementation problems, and share knowledge and experience.
 - Provide support that addresses the specific challenges of changing classroom practice. Provide coaching/mentoring support to validate continuing to work through struggles.
- Monitor implementation to ensure staff uses new knowledge to improve practice and it is having the desired effect on practice and student outcomes.
 - Conduct frequent non-REACH observations to provide coaching and actionable feedback.
- Provide induction and support for new teachers.
 - Assign each new teacher a mentor who is skilled in pedagogy and is an open, collaborative colleague.

 Schedule a series of 'learning experiences' for new teachers that helps them navigate important initiatives (e.g. REACH) and provides information on school specific goals and resources.

Evidence, Measures, and Standards



Aligned Resources:

Resources (e.g. time, budget, staff, and community resources) are aligned to school priorities. Improving achievement guides resource allocation. Making the most of student time and staffing is a priority. The school organizes resources school-wide through schedules and staffing plans that target additional time and individual attention to those students who need it most and to highest priority subject areas.

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Resources are aligned to best meet student needs. Text and materials are available for all students. There is alignment of resources between community partners such as Enlace, Alivio, Gear Up, Youth Guidance and Infinity. Informal data reflects a 90% teacher retention rate over the past 3 years. There is a interview team that vets potential candidates when vacancies arise. Four teachers taught an extra Math class during first semester to ensure consistent high quality instruction was provided for Sophomores.

Extended day buckets are created for teachers and staff to support student learning through weekly after school tutoring at each grade level, Cambridge SAT support classes, Engineering Club.

Guide for Aligned Resources

- Design a school day that is responsive to student needs.
 - Use CPS Instructional Time Guidelines to maximize instructional time.
 - Use CPS Instructional Block Guidelines to maximize academic-engaged time.
- · Align the budget to the CIWP priorities and the mission of the school.
 - Avoid overemphasis on the purchase of products/programs that are not research based or do not respond to SEF needs.
 - Leverage strategic source vendors to maximize dollars.
 - Seek and obtain grants to support articulated needs.
 - Use grant funds strategically to support areas of highest need.
 - Maximize the use of supplemental funding to close any priority group achievement gaps.
- · Streamline purchase procedures to minimize lapses between ordering and receiving materials.
- Evaluate, to the extent possible, the consequences for student learning of resource allocation decisions to develop an evidence base of outcomes of particular uses of resources.
- Have a 'hiring team' and collaborative hiring process with clear selection criteria to identify and select best available candidates.
 - Actively work to build a pool of potential staff members, particularly difficult to fill positions (e.g. staff to serve English learners).
 - Use an interview process including a protocol for questioning and select highly qualified candidates.
 - Require a classroom lesson demonstration to assess candidate expertise, philosophy and commitment.
 - Check teachers' previous performance at CPS schools.
- Strategically assign teachers to grade and content areas to create a balanced team with a variety of strengths.
 - Ensure all students have fair access to high-quality teachers in the school.
- Effectively utilize Related Service Providers at the classroom level.
- \circ Use data including teacher evaluations and exit interviews to inform a retention strategy.
 - Create a positive climate and working conditions for teaching that attracts and retains educator talent.
 - Create opportunities for growth including opportunities for staff to assume additional leadership roles or pursue personal growth goals.
 - Track retention rates over time and use this information to isolate staffing strengths and identify opportunities to improve.
 - Solicit information from staff using exit interviews/surveys to understand reasons for leaving school or district.
- Make outreach efforts to engage community members as partners and resources.
- Partner with one or more organizations that share the values of the school and have a complementary mission to the school's vision.
 - Monitor the impact of partner organizations' activity.

EVIDENCE, MEASU	IRES, AND STANDARDS
	✓ Schedules
	✓ Teacher retention rates
	 Staff exit interviews/surveys (data on reasons for leaving school or district)
Suggested Evidence	✓ Candidate interview protocol documents
suggested Evidence	✓ List of community-based organizations that partner with the
	school and description of services
	✓ Evidence of effectiveness of the services that community-
	based organizations provide
	✓ Budget analysis and CIWP
Measures	✓ Five Essentials
Five Essentials	Effective Leaders, Collaborative Teachers
MTSS Framework	Shared Leadership, Curriculum & Instruction, Family &
MIGO FIGURE WOLK	Community Engagment
CPS Framework for	4a. Reflecting on Teaching & Learning
Teaching	4e. Demonstrating Professionalism
CPS Performance	A3. Allocates Resources to Support Student Learning,
Standards for School	Prioritizing Time
Leaders	B4. Hires and Retains Highly Effective Teachers
NOW WHAT? M.	ATERIALS TO SUPPORT IMPROVEMENT PLANNING
✓ Aligning Resource	tes with Priorities: Focusing on What Matters Most
✓ Instructional Sup	ports
✓ Strategic Source	Vendor List
✓ CPS Instructional	Time Guidelines: Elementary School Overview
	Time Guidelines: High School Overview
	Block Guidance: K-2 Literacy
✓ CPS Instructional	Black Toolkits: Math

Expectations for depth & breadth of Student Learning

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Curriculum:

The curriculum – what students should know and be able to do - makes standards come alive for students. All students have access to an academically rigorous curriculum that inspires students to think and contribute high quality work to authentic audiences beyond the classroom. The curriculum fully integrates academic and social emotional learning opportunities for all students, including diverse learners, English learners, and advanced learners. The school regularly examines the curriculum to check alignment to standards and opportunities for all students to meet those standards.

Data indicates that teachers are engaging in vertical and some horizontal alignment of curriculum between grade levels and departments according to respective standards. There is evidence of cross-curricular thematic planning and implementation of scope and sequence. Unit plans/assessments are housed Google Drive and assessed / revised on a quarterly basis in department meeting (peer feedback, modeling...). Evidence also shows that teachers are becoming more adept at incorporating real-world application in to their planning/execution. Diverse Learners, English Language Learners and Advanced Level learners are appropriately challenged through task modification and accommodation.

Academic Engagement is rated at Very Strong (84) by students and quality of discussion is rated at Very Strong (99) by teachers. These indicators reflect a strong curriculum.

Moving forward, we will attend professional development workshops aligned to improving teachers' capacity on the implementation of EL literacy strategies. Also, staff will engage in professional learning cycles through observations focused on rigorous tasks, cognitive engagement and real world application of skills. Additionally, curricular offerings will be expanded to include at least 3 fourth year STEM classes with dual credit possibilities.

Students earning college and career credentials have attained the maximum amount (5) points on School Quality Rating Report for the past three school years.

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Guide for Curriculum

- Align units of instruction (horizontally/vertically) to scope and sequence maps and pace units and lessons appropriately.
 - Focus so units can be adequately addressed in the time available.
 - Examine formative data to determine mastery and pace. Discuss how much time it takes to adequately address the essential elements, and the viability of documents that articulate essential content and timing of delivery (e.g. pacing guides, curriculum maps).
- Utilize the 'big ideas' that should be taught to determine whether students are being taught the body of knowledge, the understandings and the skills expected.
 - Identify the essential understandings what students should learn in greater depth. In other words, know 'covering everything but learning nothing' does not work.
- Expose and extend opportunities for all students to grade appropriate levels of text complexity in all types of texts, including informational
 in all content areas.
 - Articulate language goals that are separate from and support content goals. Literacy reading, writing and speaking are essential 'learning tools'
 across the curriculum (disciplinary literacy).
- Engage all learners in content areas by fully integrating opportunities for all learners, including:
 - Diverse learners to demonstrate core knowledge and skills.
 - English Learners to develop academic language to demonstrate mastery.

- Use English and native language development standards in addition to content standards to differentiate instruction and assessments for English learners, to ensure meaningful access to content, regardless of English language proficiency.
- Understand research and implement programs to develop native language literacy for English learners.
- Advanced learners to extend core knowledge and skills.
- · Integrate academic and social emotional learning.
- · Connection to real world, authentic application of learning. For example,
 - Provide opportunities for meaningful project-based learning.
 - Integrate field-based learning through partnerships with city institutions (e.g. museums), colleges, universities, and community based organizations.
 - Curriculum is culturally relevant/sustaining and provides opportunities to explore and celebrate students' communities, culture, history, and language.
 - Curriculum is tailored to the strengths, needs, and interests of each student.



Instructional Materials: Score

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Materials to present learning content and what the learner uses to demonstrate are characterized by variability and flexibility. Materials are identified and adapted to increase access to learning for all students. Materials include multimedia and embedded, just-in-time supports; varied tools and supports; alternative pathways, and varied levels of support and challenge. (adapted from UDL Guidelines 2.0)

Teachers use a wide variety of instructional materials to engage all students. Some of these include teacher-created material, texts, multi-media, periodicals, technology, and hands-on manipulative materials. All students are given the appropriate resources to access learning materials. Students feel that the school has clear expectations for their success and that the instruction is ambitious and encourages students to build and apply knowledge.

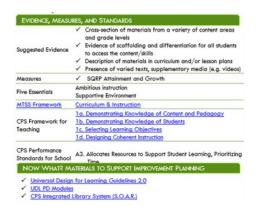
Our aim is to encourage teachers to be creative in their use of instructional materials and assessments, while also giving them access to cutting edge technology to supplement their learning. We will also focus additional resources on materials that will support our EL and DL populations such as differentiated task, guided notes, audio and scaffolded text.

Guide for Instructional Materials

Instructional materials (including technology) are.....

- Aligned to curricular plans and expectations of the standards.
- Varied and flexible.
 - Are selected and adapted based on learning objectives and learner needs.
 - Include a variety of quality media, manipulatives and supplies to achieve valued learning outcomes.
- Intentionally planned by identifying or adapting appropriate tools (including technology) for specific instructional needs.
 - Student outcomes and developmental appropriateness determine when and who will use the materials.
 - Materials are updated/upgraded in response to new information and understandings.
- Equitably available and accessible to all teachers and students.
 - Teachers and students have available a variety of high quality, standards-aligned instructional materials and resources.
 - Materials are in English and native language for English learners.
 - Reference and resource materials are readily available and circulated throughout the school.
- Include multimedia and embedded, just-in-time supports (e.g. hyperlinked glossaries, background information, and on-screen coaching) for conveying conceptual knowledge.
 - Students interact with instructional materials to engage all modalities in the learning process.
 - Technology is integral to students learning experiences.

- Units and lessons include grade-appropriate levels of texts and other materials so every student can access the content/skills.
- Include tools and supports needed to access, analyze, organize, synthesize, and demonstrate understanding in varied ways for learning and expression of knowledge.
 - The needs of the students at different performance levels are met by using a variety of instructional materials that allow students to draw on all of their learning capacities.
 - The teacher models effective use of various materials.
 - Students understand that materials are a means to acquire language, knowledge, and competencies.
 - Technology enhances students' higher order, creative thinking and problem solving.
 - Materials connect subject area content to real life applications.
- Include alternative pathways including choice of content, varied levels of support and challenge, and options for recruiting and sustaining interest and motivation – for engaging and learning.
 - Students make choices about instructional materials as part of learning.
 - Materials address the needs of the total child; cognitive, linguistic, social, emotional, physical, and aesthetic
 - Consumables are often non-print supplies that promote active, hands-on learning.



Rigorous Student Tasks:

The school regularly examines student work - what students are being asked to do on in their classrooms - across grades or courses in all content areas. Examining the texts and tasks students experience provides the necessary insight to gauge rigor and illuminate how the standards are actualized prompting the question whether or not approaches support the true spirit of college and career readiness. (adapted from The Education Trust – Equity in Motion Series)

As a whole, teachers are encouraging students to support all of their work with evidence- from the text, from theory and research, and logical conclusion drawn from successful application of skills. Administration encourages cross curricular planning and integration of skills across content areas. Within departments, teachers assess each others' work and offer suggestions for improving task complexity and student outcomes. This is done through the use DOK questioning techniques and peer cycles of improvement through learning walks and unit plan reviews (within departments).

5 Esssentials survey indicates that teachers rank the quality of student discussion at 99 and students indicate academic press at 68 (Strong). However, Rigorous study habits is "weak" (38) and "grit" is "Very Weak".

We are moving towards a more balanced approach to addressing task complexity by creating structures that scaffold skills and support student understanding and the application of skills. This includes regular reflection on the cognitive demands asked of a given task (within department and grade levels), possibilities for real world application and appropriate revision to meet these needs.

There is still work to do around designing authentic tasks for real life application that includes opportunities for students to adequately critique themselves and revise accordingly. Our action plan to address this area of focus includes the creation of cross-content learning tasks with real world relevance and projects to be implemented at every grade level including, but not limited to, service learning initiatives and internships.

We will continue to offer a series of Computer Science opportunities for students beginning with the required ECS and transitioning in to Computer Science Principles and AP CSP with a possible more towards AP Computer Science Application). Teachers are encouraged to consider computational thinking while they plan their units. As appropriate, teachers will engage in training offered by the CPS CS4AII initiative.

Guide for Rigorous Student Tasks

Begin with the belief that all students can learn. (see Culture for Learning)

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- Convey high learning expectations for all students and develop structures that enable practice and perseverance for each individual student.
- Create an environment where students assume responsibility for high-quality work by persevering, initiating improvements, addressing critiques, making revisions, adding detail and/or helping peers.
- Communicate the necessity of attendance and engagement everyday in order to succeed.
- Plan and assign tasks that are cognitively challenging for individual students and require students to provide evidence of their reasoning.
 - Align tasks with standards-based learning objectives that reflect the depth of knowledge expectations.
 - Tasks are Integrative to draw on multiple standards.
 - Teach for Robust Understanding in Mathematics (TRU Math). Engage students with important mathematical ideas, not simply receiving knowledge, requiring students to engage in productive struggle.
- Tasks reflect the key shifts in literacy.
 - Complexity: Tasks reward close reading of complex text; Focus on comprehension of academic language, not obscure vocabulary.
 - Evidence: Cite evidence from text and write to sources, not decontextualized prompts.
 - Knowledge (non-fiction): Tasks embed reading and writing across disciplines with a variety of literary and informational complex texts and tasks and demonstrate comprehension through speaking, listening.
- · Tasks reflect the key shifts in mathematics.
 - Focus: Tasks reflect a curricular and instructional focus on the major work in (e.g. operational fluency and number sense in K-2).
 - Coherence: Multi-grade progressions stress key beginnings (e.g. ratios in 6th grade) and key end points (e.g. fluency with multiplication in 3rd);
 - Rigor: Problems require construction of mathematical reasoning and critiques of other possible solutions.
- Provide opportunities for students to create authentic work for real audiences (beyond the teacher) to motivate them to meet standards and engage in critique and revision.
- Examine student work to identify and showcase the qualities of strategic thinking that are both rich in content and relevant for students.
 - Analyze models with students to build a vision of quality.
 - Use protocols to collectively reflect regularly on the level of cognitive demand asked of students across the school, particularly priority group students, to think strategically as speakers, listeners, readers, and writers.
 - Analyze student work samples as part of professional learning to best support students' attainment of quality work and standards.

EVIDENCE, MEASU	RES, AND STANDARDS
Suggested Evidence	Cross-section of student work from a variety of content areas Observation of student learning (e.g. learning walks/walkthroughs) Focus group(s) and discussions with students
Measures	✓ SQRP Attainment and Growth
Five Essentials	Ambitious instruction
MTSS Framework	Shared Leadership, Curriculum & Instruction
CPS Framework for Teaching	1d. Designing Coherent Instruction 2b. Establishing a Culture for Learning 3b. Using Guestioning and Discussion Techniques 3c. Engaging Students in Learning
CPS Performance Standards for School Leaders	B1. Implements Curricular Scope and Sequence and Reviews Instructional Practices
NOW WHAT? MA	ATERIALS TO SUPPORT IMPROVEMENT PLANNING
✓ Math Practices ✓ Checking In: D ✓ Student Work	Tobust Understanding in Mathematics (TRU Math) What to Look For Characration Tool Colassroom Assignments Reflect Today's Higher Standards2 Protocol (SQs) Looking at Shudert Work

Transitions, College & Career Access & Persistence:

The school creates pathways to success built on a vision in which all students leave secondary school with a clear plan for their initial postsecondary destination, whether in apprenticeship training, work, or college. All students have equal access to college preparatory curriculum to be successful. The school is characterized by structures for developing early postsecondary awareness and the knowledge and skills that lay the foundation for the academic rigor and social development necessary for college and career success. Students are equipped with the confidence in their ability to implement and adapt their plan throughout their lives as they and the world around them change. This vision sees students as the architects of their own lives.(adapted from Creating Pathways to Success, Ontario)

Students are made aware of post secondary opportunities through individual planning sessions with the College & Career Coach and counselor. Transcript reviews are done with each Senior to ensure they are on-Track for graduation. FAFSA, grant and scholarship applications are completed with counseling department support staff. College tours with counselor, college & career coach, teachers, and partner organizations such as Gear Up, Upward Bound, occur throughout the school year.

Our academic offerings include several college level dual credit courses.

The population of students we service includes a subset of undocumented students. This impacts our Enrollment (53.5%) and Persistence (71.4%) numbers. Staff members and some parents feel as though we could secure more career opportunities for students not attending college.

Guide for Transitions, College & Career Access & Persistence

TRANSITIONS - Have structures and processes in place to ensure successful transitions (e.g. into school, grade to grade, school to school, school to post-secondary).

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- Mitigate the adverse effects experienced by some students in transition such as arriving part-way through the school year that can cause students
 to fall behind or become disengaged from school.
- Monitor the progress of English learners after transition from services.
- Provide programs and interventions that help students as they move from middle school through Freshmen year, including but not limited to: High School Investigation Days, CTE recruitment fairs, Freshmen Connection program (where budget allows), and a robust Freshmen Orientation program. Implement targeted holistic student supports the entire Freshmen year.
- Provide sustained summer learning experiences to minimize learning loss and support key transition periods (e.g. summers before Kindergarten, HS, and college).
 - Use student data and best practices research to develop focused programs.
 - Expand access beyond students who are struggling academically.
 - Provide school counseling and postsecondary advising transition support and follow-up during "Summer Melt" and the first year of college.
- ♦ AWARENESS Expose students early to academic/professional worlds beyond K-12.
 - Provide students opportunities to discover personal talents and skills, identify career interests, and pursue coursework/activities necessary to reach
 personal, academic and career goals. Expose students to CTE Pathways around career options
 - Expose students to a range of career paths and the educational requirements of each to improve long-term planning and goal-setting.
 - · Start the conversation about college in primary grades.
 - Make parents aware of academic opportunities and supports for their child.
- READINESS Ensure equitable access to college preparatory curriculum.
 - Provide access to 8th Grade Algebra to all eligible 8th grade students.
 - Provide access to early college and career coursework and credential opportunities while in HS (e.g. AP credit, Dual credit, industry credentials (CTE), Seal of Biliteracy)
 - Teach students to analyze their transcripts and test scores, as well as connect course selection, attendance, and grades to their continued success and access to postsecondary options, and adjust their actions and behavior to make progress toward graduation and their top postsecondary choice. Provide support and motivation to encourage B's or better and improving attendance.
 - Create opportunities for students to explore college and career knowledge, mindsets, and skills necessary for academic planning and goal setting.
 - Find opportunities to work with all students on academic and personal behaviors, including persistence, engagement, work habits/organization, communication/ collaboration, and self-regulation.
 - In Naviance, develop an Individual Learning Plan that tracks coursework, college and career assessments, goal setting, 6th-12th grade milestones completion that culminates in a concrete postsecondary plan.
 - Provide opportunities for Dual Credit/Dual Enrollment
- SUCCESS Provide direct assistance to all students and families through every stage of the college selection, application, and entry process (Transition to College (HS)) including, but not limited to academic planning/advising to assist with:
 - Selecting colleges with the best institutional graduation rates for their level of qualifications. (Students of all qualification levels are more likely to graduate from college if they attend a postsecondary institution with high graduation rates
 - Researching/comparing options including short and long-term financial outcomes, comparing college graduation rates, and other statistics to narrow down options.
 - Researching living wage options such as an apprenticeship or certification programs for students who wish to work after high school and/or want to delay college.
 - Applying to multiple colleges—generally three or more.
 - Navigating financial aid and capitalizing on grant and scholarship opportunities.
 - Equipping students and families with persistence strategies. (College Persistence Toolkit)
 - Help families learn about existing CTE career pathways, apprenticeships/pre-apprenticeship programs



Expectations for depth & breadth of Quality Teaching

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Instruction: Score

parts of the curriculum into their explanations and activities. Their questions probe student thinking and serve to extend understanding. They promote the emergence of self-directed learners.

Teachers report that their principal trusts his/her expertise. 5 Essentials Survey data indicates that 74% of the students feel challenged most of the time and 88% of them indicate that their classes "really make them think". They rate Math INstruction as STRONG (68/70) ad English instruction received a Neutral Rating (41/100)Teachers engage in peer observations and feedback sessions twice annually, both within departments and grade levels. This data reveals that teachers are sometimes asking open ended questions and encouraging students to support their answers with evidence from the text.

Overall, REACH observations show that teachers are proficient in Questioning and Discussion techniques, but there is a wide range of scores with some outliers.

Moving forward, we will continue to prepare our teachers to effectively engage students through questioning and discussion, cognitively demanding tasks and further implementation of DOK questioning by teachers and students. Additionally, we will work on how to improve instruction so that students acquire a skill and then apply it to deeper understanding and thinking.

Guide for Instruction

- Plan a range of effective pedagogical approaches suitable to student learning of the content/skills taught and anticipate student misconceptions.
- · Effectively communicate with students.
 - Guide students to articulate the relevance of the objective(s) to learning.
 - Anticipate possible student misunderstanding.
 - Enable students to develop a conceptual understanding of content while making connections to their interests, knowledge, and experience.
 - Enable students to contribute to extending the content by explaining concepts to their classmates.
 - Build on students' language development and understanding of content.
 - Use vocabulary appropriately for students' ages and development. Students contribute to the correct use of academic vocabulary.
- Use questioning and discussion as techniques to deepen student understanding and challenge.
 - Use a variety of low- and high-level, open-ended, and developmentally appropriate questions to challenge students cognitively, advance high level thinking and discourse, and promote metacognition.
 - Use techniques that enable students to engage each other in authentic discussions about content. And, enable students to formulate their own
 questions and respectfully challenge one another using viable arguments based on evidence.
 - Encourage student responsibility for ensuring all voices are heard in the discourse and that all students are listening and responding to questions and answers from their teacher and peers.
 - Require students to cite textual evidence to support/develop a claim.
- · Engage students in learning.
 - Scaffold instruction to ensure all students, including diverse learners and English Learners, access complex texts and engage in complex tasks.
 - Provide targeted supports to individual students or groups of students based on their identified needs.
- Provide instruction designed to develop language domains for English learners.
- . Monitor the effect of teaching on student learning and integrate formative assessment into instruction.
 - Monitor progress and check for understanding for individual students.
 - Change instructional practice based on analysis of current data.
 - Use universally designed assessments that allow for multiple pathways for students to demonstrate understanding of the objective(s.
 - Also see Balanced Assessment.
- Persist in adjusting instruction so individual student misunderstandings or advanced needs are successfully accommodated.
 - Intervene in a timely and effective way to help students who are struggling.
 - When formative assessments show a need for intervention or enrichment, make effective impromptu adjustments that individualize instruction.
 - Use progress monitoring data to trace effectiveness of interventions and student response to intervention.
- · Foster student ownership. Create opportunities for students to have voice and choice in instructional tasks.

Evidence, Measures, and Standards

Suggested Evidence	 ✓ Evidence of best practices (flexible grouping, cognitively demonding tasks, open-ended questions) ✓ Informational observations, peer observations, learning walks ✓ Lesson studies
Measures	 ✓ SQRP Attainment and Growth ✓ REACH observation trends (de-identified)
Five Essentials	Ambitious Instruction Effective Leaders Supportive Environment
MTSS Framework	Curriculum & Instruction
CPS Framework for Teaching	3a. Communicating with Students 3b. Using Questioning and Discussion Techniques 3c. Engaging Students in Learning 3d. Using Assessment in Instruction 3e. Demonstrating Flexibility and Responsiveness
CPS Performance Standards for School Leaders	Implements Curricular Scope and Sequence and Reviews Instructional Practices Observes and Evaluates Staff and Gives Feedback to Staff
NOW WHAT? A	NATERIALS TO SUPPORT IMPROVEMENT PLANNING
✓ CPS Frame ✓ CPS Frame ✓ Special Ed	work for Teaching with Critical Artributes work for Teaching Professional Learning Modules work for Teaching Professional Learning Opportunities work for Teaching Professional Learning Opportunities work for Teaching Professional Learning Opportunities

Balanced Assessment & Grading:

A balanced assessment system effectively measures the depth and breadth of student learning and monitors student progress towards college and career readiness. It also produces actionable data to inform planning for instruction, academic supports, and resource allocation. To meet these goals, a balanced assessment system must include multiple measures and be responsive to the needs of all students, including diverse learners and English learners.

School has an existing grading policy using a 10 point scale for grades A-F. Impact Gradebook is used for grading and tracking student work. All assignments are separated by categories (classwork, homework, projects, test, quizzes and some degree of participation).

Unit plans are vetted for summative assessments and evidence of formative assessment strategies. Course success rates are analyzed bi-quarterly by administrative team, teacher grading is progress monitored to ensure alignment of school practice. Student interventions and work sessions are then implemented to support learning.

Our goal is to implement authentic real-world assessments for all grade levels. Moving forward we will focus on designing non-traditional, project based assessments that measure cross curricular learning standards.

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Guide for Balanced Assessment & Grading

- Use multiple measures (i.e. a range of assessment types and at multiple points in time) to supplement district-centralized assessments with other formative assessments to provide a more comprehensive picture of student learning.
- Use screening, diagnostic, and progress monitoring assessment to correctly identify specific gaps and monitor improvement, especially for students receiving Tier 2 and 3 services, in addition to Tier 1 core instruction. (also see MTSS and Instruction)
- Make assessments accessible to students, including diverse learners and English Learners through employing features of universal design and use of accommodations and, where needed, modifications.
 - Provide accommodations in presentation (i.e. how assessment text and tasks are presented to students), response (i.e. how students provide their answers), and/or setting/timing (i.e. scheduling/location of assessment).
- Utilize assessments that reflect the key shifts in literacy and mathematics in teacher created or selected assessments. (see Rigorous Student Tasks)
- Utilize assessments that measure the development of academic language for English learners.
- Have access to and analyze school-wide, teacher team, and classroom assessment data to determine instructional effectiveness and subsequent learning needs
- Improve and promote assessment literacy.
 - Work together on building common assessments within a department, course, or grade level team.
 - Invest resources in helping teachers evaluate and improve the quality of formative assessments. For example, use the Assessment Design Toolkit.
 - Use common protocols and calibrate on scoring and grading in teacher teams.
 - Analyze quality and alignment of assessments and tasks to ensure they meet the expectations of the standards and embed various levels of complexity.
- Have a grading system that clearly, accurately, consistently, and fairly communicates learning progress and achievement to students, families, postsecondary institutions, and prospective employers.
 - Ensure that students, families, teachers, counselors, advisors, and support specialists have the detailed information they need to make important decisions about a student's education.
 - Measure, report, and document student progress and proficiency:
 - Against a set of clearly defined cross-curricular and content-area standards and learning objectives collaboratively developed with staff.
 - Separately from work habits, character traits, and behaviors, so that educators, counselors, advisors, and support specialists can accurately
 determine the difference between learning needs and behavioral or work-habit needs. academic mindsets and behaviors (CCSR).
 - Ensure consistency and fairness in the assessment of learning, and assignment of scores and proficiency levels against the same learning standards, across students, teachers, assessments, learning experiences, content areas, and time.
 - Ensure grades are not used as a form of punishment, control, or compliance.

	 Examples of a variety of teacher created and teacher selected assessments
	✓ Units and lesson plans with formative and summative assessments
Suggested	embedded in a long term plan
Fvidence	✓ Evidence of assessment data analysis for the purpose of planning
Evidence	✓ Assessment calendar
	✓ Examples of gradebooks
	✓ School's grading policy
	 ✓ Grade distribution reports (course success rates)
Measures	✓ SQRP Attainment and Growth
Five Essentials	Ambitious Instruction
MTSS Framework	Curriculum & Instruction
	1c. Selecting Learning Objectives
CPS Framework	1e. Designing Student Assessment
for Teaching	3d. Using Assessment in Instruction
ror recoming	4a, Reflecting on Teaching & Learning
	4b. Maintaining Accurate Records
CPS Performance Standards for School Leaders	81. Implements Curricular Scope and Sequence and Reviews Instructions Practices
Now What?	Materials to Support Improvement Planning
✓ CPS Bal	lanced Assessment Framework & Assessment Models
✓ Assessm	ent Design Toolkit
✓ Teacher	Made Assessment Basics
✓ Grading	g principals and guidelines
✓ Great S	Schools Partnership -Grading + Reporting

Multi-Tiered System of Supports:

The school is characterized by full implementation a system of academic and social emotional (SEL) supports for all students. Every day, in all classrooms, all teachers provide: Universal instruction in the core curriculum - academic & SEL (Tier 1) to all students; additional targeted academic and SEL supports (Tier 2) where needed; and deep and intense supports (Tier 3) based on individual and small group needs. The school also monitors On Track data (grades/GPA and attendance (ES), and course credits (HS)) to provide interventions/supports for students at risk for failure and/or truancy.

The PLP allows us to identify incoming students who have had previous academic and attendance struggles or those promoted with supports. Through strategic bi-quarterly monitoring and the use of Infinity's Student Intervention Log, we are able to track student progress on a consistent basis. The D & F report gives us an idea of where our students need additional support and what teachers might need help with interventions. Among teachers, there is a strong sense of collective responsibility for student development according to 5Essentials.

Our school attendance rate is 95% for 2017-2018. Our dean of students makes regular home visits to reach out to those who are chronically truant and we create attendance plans for students. Grade levels work to ensure that students are on-track and prepared for the next course.

We struggle knowing how to effectively implement MTSS across the spectrum (academic, behavioral and SEL) at the high school level. Our future plans include properly training several staff members on what effective MTSS looks like, then utilizing the turnkey delivery model with staff to implement behavioral, academic, social-emotional and attendance MTSS school wide.

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Guide for Multi-Tiered System of Supports

- TIER 1 Persist in adjusting instruction so individual student misunderstandings or advanced needs are successfully accommodated. (3e)
 - Intervene in a timely and effective way to help students who are struggling.
 - When formative assessments show a need for intervention or enrichment, teachers make effective impromptu adjustments that individualize instruction for students
 - Use progress monitoring data to trace effectiveness of interventions and student response to intervention.
- TIER 1 Customize the learning environment, pace, and approach of teaching and curriculum in order to meet each learners' individual needs ('Personalized Learning').
 - Empower student to advance their learning.
 - Use up-to-date individual student profiles that include strengths, needs, motivations, and outlines an individualized path to reach his/her goals.
 - · Classrooms are student-centered with student agency.
 - Each student has the opportunity to advance upon demonstrating mastery.
- ON TRACK Provide universal supports to prevent failing and absenteeism and targeted interventions for grades below "C" or chronic absenteeism. (On Track)
 - Identify students off track due to low attendance and poor course performance and provide intensive supports to address root causes of why students have low grades and poor attendance.
- TIER 2 & 3 Collaborate and work as teams of teachers and Related Service Providers (RSP) to plan and monitor targeted student support
 with varied instructional strategies and SEL support of varying degrees of intensity for all students.
 - Monitor students requiring and receiving targeted and intensive instruction/interventions.
 - Use the Problem Solving Process to plan Tier 2 and 3 instruction/interventions.
 - Determine appropriate interventions for students or groups of students not making adequate progress.
 - Use progress monitoring data to track effectiveness of interventions and student response to intervention.
- TIER 2 & 3 Implement Personal Learning Plans (PLP) goals and intervention strategies for students requiring school year supports as described in Elementary School Promotion Policy (Board Report 09-1028-PO2).
 - Ensure implementation of these plans, review subsequent 5 week data, determine the effectiveness of the strategies and adjust plans as needed.
- Communicate to parents/guardians the additional supports and/or interventions provided for their child to better align school and home environments.

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Suggested Evidence	Evidence of multi-tiered system of supports (e.g. progress monitoring data, menu of available interventions in use, teacher team protocols in use) Evidence of Personal Learning Plan (PLP) implementation Integrated data system that informs instructional choices Flexible learning environments Use of student learning plans Use of competency-based assessments
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	✓ Use of personalized learning rubric
	✓ Evidence of On Track monitoring and supports ✓ SQRP Attainment and Growth
Measures	Attendance Rates Course success rates (e.g. grade distributions, pass/failure rates)
	Ambitious Instruction
Five Essentials	Collaborative Teachers
	Supportive Environment
	1a. Demonstrating knowledge of content and pedagogy 1b. Demonstrating Knowledge of Students
	1d. Designing Coherent Instruction
CPS Framework for	2d. Managing Student Behavior
Teaching	3d. Using Assessment in Instruction
	3e. Demonstrating Flexibility and Responsiveness
	4b. Maintaining Accurate Records
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CPS Pertormance Standards for School Leaders	B3. MTSS Implemented Effectively in School

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Culture for Learning:

A culture for learning is characterized by a school atmosphere that reflects the educational importance of the work undertaken by both students and staff. It describes the norms that govern the interactions among individuals about the mindsets (e.g. ability/confidence to grow with effort), academic behaviors (e.g. attending classes, completing assignments), the learning strategies and skills, the value of perseverance despite challenges and obstacles, and the general tone of the school. The classroom is characterized by high cognitive energy, by a sense that what is happening there is important, and that it is essential to "get it right." There are high expectations for all students. The classroom is a place where teachers and students value learning and hard work, and students take visible delight in accomplishing their work. Staff believe they can make a difference, that their hard work is the fundamental cause of student achievement, and are invested in student outcomes.

High expectations are evident within observable teacher practices, standards and objective for learning tasks and some assessments. Teachers at Infinity create an atmosphere which exemplifies efficacy.

Outside of the classroom, our students are competing in citywide academic competitions such as Academic Decathlon, Aspen Challenge, Engineering and Robotics, Model UN.

We do feel there is room for growth in regards to this component, as much of the heavy lift for establishing our desired culture occurs during the freshmen transition period. SQRP data indicates we have attained the maximum gains for percentage of students earning a 3+ or early college credit (60%).

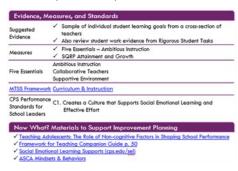
Guide for Culture for Learning

- Create a culture that reflects a shared belief in the importance of learning and hard work.
 - Use strategies to reinforce and cultivate student curiosity.
 - Make learning goals relevant to students, and inspire students to stay committed to their learning goals.
 - Consistently communicate the expectation that all students can achieve at high levels.
 - Utilize strategies to encourage daily and timely attendance.
- Convey high learning expectations for all students and develop structures that enable practice and perseverance for each individual student.
 - Clearly display school-wide expectations for academic and personal success throughout the building.
 - Set high expectations according to grade-appropriate learning objectives.
 - Differentiate expectations so all students stretch to not only meet but exceed personal learning goals.
 - Recognize high levels of student achievement. All students receive recognition.
 - Encourage student resilience and hard work.
 - Ensure students feel safe to share misunderstandings and struggles.

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- Encourage students to take ownership and pride in their work where students assume responsibility for high-quality work by persevering, initiating improvements, addressing critiques, making revisions, adding detail and/or helping peers.
 - Students self-assess (e.g. checking own work before giving to teacher) to develop a reflective habit of mind essential for improvement. This ensures students take responsibility for their own learning, focuses attention on criteria for success, and increases effort and persistence.
- · Provide students frequent, informative feedback.
 - Tell/show students what they have done well (through positive reinforcement) and what they need to do to improve, including clarifying criteria and goals.
 - Give feedback on the task, the processes used to complete the task, and on the student's ability to self-regulate their own learning.
- Develop academic mindsets and behaviors.
 - Teach a growth mindset that over time with effort and practice, students can learn and succeed.
 - Encourage students' sense of belonging to the school and classroom community (see Relational Trust).
 - Employ strategies including ongoing monitoring and support of students' academic behaviors.
 - Praise effort and process. For example, "Good job, that must have taken a lot of effort" instead of, "Good job. You must be really smart."



Relational Trust:

The school is characterized by high levels of relational trust between all school participants - the "glue" or the essential element that coordinates and supports the processes essential to effective school improvement. Interactions, both between the teacher and students and among students, are highly respectful, reflecting genuine warmth and caring. Students contribute to high levels of civility. Interactions are sensitive to students as individuals, appropriate to the ages and development of individual students, and to the context of the class. The net result of interactions is that of academic and personal connections among students and adults.

Five Essentials survey indicates there is a high level of trust among students, teachers and administration. There are several partnerships that support students on campus with relational concerns which include but are not limited to Becoming a Man (BAM), Working on Woman (WOW) from Youth Guidance, Gear Up, Upward Bound, Enlace. Counselor is staffed and available to support and assist students.

There are formal and informal mentors within the school that check-in with students regularly. Interactions are individualized, appropriate, culturally respectful and contribute to students' academic and social development.

Student - Teacher trust is very strong 95%, Teacher - teacher trust is very strong 86%, Teacher - Parent trust is strong, 73%. All data points are from SQRP.

Guide for Relational Trust

- · Develop trusting relationships with students so each student has at least one trusted adult in the school.
 - Adults are responsible for occasional check-ins or serve as mentors.
- · Adult-student interactions are positive, caring, and respectful.
 - Ensure a greater proportion of interactions are positive (as opposed to corrective) between staff and student consistently school-wide.
- · Student interactions are mutually supportive and respectful, with strong norms for positive behavior.
 - Create opportunities for students to build positive relationships with peers.
 - Create opportunities for older students to mentor younger students.
- Understand diversity and its impact on student learning; recognize and integrate the learning opportunities that come from a diverse community.
 - Create opportunities for students to learn about the community they serve (e.g. culture and neighborhoods).
 - Have mutual respect for individual differences (e.g. gender, race, culture, etc.) at all levels of the school—student-student; adult-student; adult-adult and overall norms for tolerance.
 - Provide training to engage diverse families and communities.
- Support and respect one another, personally and professionally (Teacher-Teacher Trust, Teacher-Principal Trust)
 - Respect other teachers who take the lead in school improvement efforts.
 - Respect colleagues who are experts at their craft.
 - Exchanges are marked by genuinely listening to what each person has to say and by taking these views into account in subsequent actions. Even
 when people disagree, individuals can still feel valued if others respect their opinions.
 - Personal regard springs from a collective willingness to extend beyond the formal requirements of a job definition or a union contract (e.g. openness

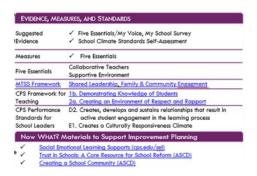
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or reaching out to others).

Utilize relationships as a means of deterring truant behavior brought on by unspoken hurdles a child may be facing.

Evidence, Measures, and Standards



Student Voice, Engagement, & Civic Life:

Students are interested and engaged in learning, invested in their school, and contributing to their community. The school provides early and ongoing exposure to a wide range of extracurricular activities and rigorous courses and programming.

The school offers a wide variety of extra curricular offerings ranging from athletics to social and academic clubs and honor societies. Students are encouraged to participate and create their own experiences. The Student Voice committee advocates for students in and out of the building and across campus. The Mikva Challenge allows students to be integral members of the political process.

The Five Essentials survey indicates that students feel we offer a strong supportive environment and that they feel comfortable with the adults in the building. 96% of students have completed the My Voice / My School survey over the past two years and, from that, we are able to discern that Student-Teacher trust is very strong at 95%. Teachers prioritize 1B (Knowledge of Students) - Framework for Teaching through the use of student interest inventory surveys and informal polls, then incorporate their findings within instructional planning and preparation.

Our challenge moving forward is to continue to offer rigorous, interesting coursework that aligns with our mission and vision while, at the same time, providing all students with the support they need to achieve success in and out of the classroom.

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Guide for Student Voice, Engagement, & Civic Life

Study politics

- · Teachers teach about the structure and function of government as well as local, national, and international political structures and power dynamics.
- Teachers invite students to reflect on their own role in the political landscape, engage in analyses of power, and identify strategies they can use to utilize civic power as an individual and as a member of a community.
- Become informed voters and participants in the electoral process
 - Students learn about the history and structures of the local and national voting process and ballot issues and candidates.
 - The school supports non-partisan engagement in all parts of the electoral process, including voter education, voter mobilization and registration.
 - There are a variety of school/classroom activities or simulations that support student voter preparation and participation in the electoral process.
- Engage in discussions about current and controversial issues.
 - Students prepare for discussions, learn about issues that matter to them through deliberation, evaluate evidence from a range of sources, consider competing views, develop arguments, and deepen their viewpoints.
 - With teachers' support, students learn how to engage in and lead respectful and productive democratic discussions where everyone expresses their viewpoints, shares evidence, and listens to one another.
 - Teachers teach how to find different points of view online and instruct how to engage in respectful, informed, and productive online dialogue.
- Explore their identities and beliefs
 - Teachers design learning experiences that enable students to explore how their identities influence their lived experiences and their perspectives.
 - Students are encouraged to learn about and understand the perspectives of those who have different identities and beliefs.
 - School staff reflect on their own identities and consider how that impacts their role and support of teaching and learning with youth.
- Exercise student voice
 - Students can participate on multiple decision/policy making bodies and their perspectives are regularly included in decisions at their school.
 - Student Voice Committee represents the diversity of the school, addresses school-based issues, and regularly gathers input from their peers to inform and impact school policy and decisions.
 - Teachers respond to and integrate students' lived experiences, perspectives, and interests in class.
 - Authentically interact with civics leaders
 - Students learn about community, city, state, and national civic leaders and their roles in civil society.
 - School staff support engagement with civic leaders by inviting them into classrooms/the school and identifying face-to-face or online avenues for students to share their feedback and perspectives with civic leaders.
- Engage with their community

- Students complete at least 2 service learning projects before graduation in which they gain exposure to civic organizations, leaders, and careers.
 Students gain tools to work cooperatively in partnership with peers, community members, and organizations to advance a specific cause
- Take informed action where they work together to propose and advocate for solutions.
 - Students research and analyze issues that matter to them, identify root causes, develop a theory of action, determine relevant audiences, outline specific goals, implement a response, and reflect before, during and after experiences.
 - Students use social and digital platforms to raise awareness about issues, produce and circulate multimedia content, and mobilize involvement.
- Experience a Schoolwide civics cultur
 - School leaders articulate a commitment to and vision for the importance of civic learning; students are civic leaders in the school.
 - Schools integrate civic learning across the curriculum, including projects that address relevant issues in their schools and communities.
 - School staff have professional development, collaboration time, and curriculum resources to infuse civic learning across disciplines.
 - Systems and structures exist where students are invited to participate in shaping school's policies, goals, instruction, and climate.



Safety & Order:

The school is characterized by high levels of safety and order. Students feel physically and emotionally safe from harm, and adults work to actively maintain a safe, orderly school environment.

Infinity students feel safe within the confines of our school. They feel most safe in the classrooms and transitioning through the hallways of our suite. School wide behavior expectations - BE READY - (Respectful, Electronically aware, Attentive, Dressed for success, Yes; students are prepared) are communicated verbally by staff and posted visually in classes. 96% of teachers have a proficient or distinguished rating in CPS Framework for Teaching 2c. Managing Classroom Procedures and 2c. Managing student behaviors.

Because students feel less safe traveling to and from school, we have garnered the support of the District 10 - Ogden police department and safe passage community members. In addition, school administration and campus security have worked with CTA to streamline bus routes that service our student population.

Guide for Safety & Order

- Ensure students and adults feel physically, socially, intellectually, and emotionally safe throughout the school.
- Provide clear procedures for reporting and responding to safety concerns.
- Manage efficient and orderly transitions between activities.
 - Manage classroom routines and procedures to maximize instructional time.
 - Orchestrate the environment so students contribute to the management of classroom routines (e.g. transitions) without disruption of learning).
 - Arrival, dismissal, and other school-wide transitions are safe, efficient, and orderly.
- · Provide a framework for positive behavior throughout the school based on shared values and expectations.
 - Have shared expectations for positive behavior. (See Restorative Approaches to Discipline)
- · Teach, model, and reinforce (by all staff members) clear behavior expectations for all areas of the school.
 - All adults use active supervision (move, scan, and interact) in all settings.
- · Have a voice and take informed action.
 - Students are included in key conversations about their learning experience and work with the principal and staff to identify issues and implement solutions. (e.g. student voice committee).
 - Students initiate and lead some school improvement initiatives.
 - Students participate in democratic decision-making at the school level.
 - Students identify and research issues of relevance and work together to propose/advocate for solutions.
- Emphasize proactive, instructive, and restorative approaches to student behavior and minimize punitive consequences through policies and procedures. (See Restorative Approaches to Discipline)
 - Adults correct misbehavior in ways that reinforce established expectations and cause minimal disruption to learning.
- Clarify criteria for office referrals versus classroom managed behavior.



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Restorative Approaches to Discipline:

The school is characterized by having and implementing policies and procedures that emphasize proactive, instructive, and restorative approaches minimizing punitive consequences. Discipline practices primarily focus on shaping behavior as opposed to punishing behavior. The school only uses out-of-school suspension as a last resort and utilizes a systems-change approach to bring about a more restorative culture. The school is also characterized by strong and consistent school and classroom climates. The school reinforces positive behaviors and responds to misbehaviors in calm, respectful, and thoughtful ways, teaching students important social and emotional skills that enable them to get along with others, make responsible decisions, and focus on learning. When misbehavior occurs, the school seeks to understand the underlying reasons (root cause) in order to design a response that effectively changes student behavior using a menu of instructive, corrective and restorative responses.

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As a by product of Infinity's strong culture and climate, there are not many discipline issues resulting in suspensions Teachers uphold a respectful environment, model and reinforce BE READY behavior expectations with students. SEF informal staff survey reports that responses to misconducts are usually swift. Dean of students conduct problem solving conferences with students, teachers and parents. Lunch and after school working detention are hosted each week. These interactions are monitored through Student Intervention Log and communicated weekly to staff.

In the event misconducts trend upward, teachers have discussed creating a discipline team. There is a concern for the amount of instructional time missed due to tardies and absences, particularly for 1st period. Evidence of quantifiable data for this concern has yet to be compiled and analyzed.

Guide for Restorative Approaches to Discipline

- PROACTIVE Reinforce positive student behavior with clear expectations, routines, and procedures.
 - A team meets regularly to organize systems that support a restorative environment.
 - Develop, reinforce, and model shared agreements and clear, positively stated expectations.
 - Well-managed routines and transitions maximize instructional time.
 - Engage families as partners.
 - Contact families frequently to inform them of positive student behavior and progress.
 - Vary acknowledgements and provide both short and long term opportunities for reinforcement for all students.
- INSTRUCTIVE Integrate universal SEL skills instruction and core content.
 - Intentionally teach competencies outlined in SEL Standards. Use discipline as opportunity to teach these skills.
 - Use a Multi-tiered System of Supports (MTSS) for social, emotional, and behavioral growth.
 - Use data to determine which behaviors should be retaught or more heavily reinforced.
 - Explicitly teach expected behavior and positively reinforce consistently school-wide.
 - Avoid power struggles with students by offering choices. Redirect students privately and respectfully.
- RESTORATIVE Employ a discipline system that guides students to take ownership, resolve conflict, and learn from their actions.
 - Support all staff to engage in restorative conversations and respond to behavior incidents in ways that de-escalate conflict, reteach expectations, build social & emotional skills, repair relationships, and cause minimal disruption to learning.
 - Support staff in understanding the impact of trauma on student behaviors and using trauma-sensitive approaches to discipline.
 - Identify clear disciplinary procedures for classroom-managed behaviors and office-managed behaviors. Develop a continuum of interventions and logical consequences that address the root cause of behavior and align to MTSS processes.
 - . Ensure discipline systems minimize the use of punitive responses, including removing students from the classroom or school community.
 - Respond equitably to students in all subgroups. Implement processes that address and meet the needs of students who are impacted by behavior incidents.
 - Designate an administrator, such as a dean or restorative practices coordinator, responsible for leading centrally-managed response to behaviors
 using consistent, restorative processes.
 - Provide opportunities for students to take responsibility for repairing harm caused by their actions, generate solutions, and resolve conflicts with peers or staff

Suggested Evidence	 ✓ Misconduct data (Dashboard) ✓ My Voice, My School survey responses
Measures	√ Five Essentials – Supportive Environment
Five Essentials	Supportive Environment
MTSS Framework	Curriculum & Instruction, Family & Community Engagement
CPS Framework for Teaching	2a. Creating an Environment of Respect and Rapport 2d. Managing Student Behavior 4c.Communicating with Families
CPS Performance Standards for School Leaders	C3. Staff/Student Behavior Aligned to Mission and Vision of School

Parent and Family Partnership:

All schools have authentic partnerships with parents or family members that lead to a sense of shared responsibility for the academic, physical, and social emotional development of their students. Through meaningful consultation with parents, these partnerships include creating an intentional process to foster and sustain school-wide procedures, programs, and activities which involve and empower parents or family members and are responsive to student and family's needs. Schools provide a variety of parent volunteer opportunities (both in and out of school) and leadership opportunities (ie - PACs, BACs and PLNs), which support school operations, instructional programs and community partnerships. Research shows that when families, schools and communities partner in promoting learning and healthy development for all students schools thrive and student outcomes increase. The development and implementation of effective outreach and communication strategies will be inclusive of all families and school staff, creating a two-way feedback loop process which will lead to an increase in the home-school connection to identify, problem-solve and design actions which target instructional and student programs.

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Several forms of communication are used to connect parents to school. These occur in the form of newsletters, live and automated calls and letters to families. Communication can sometimes pose a concern due to the the language barrier. To combat this we provide translated communications in English and Spanish. There is a list of translators posted in the main office.

PAC and ALSC meetings are calendared monthly and routinely reach quorum. Bi-monthly Cafe Con EL Director meetings have engaged close to 10% of the students' parents. In an effort to facilitate two-way communication, parents have an opportunity to ask questions, discuss concerns and provide feedback directly to the Principal.

Parents are trained on how to monitor students progress through Impact Gradebook. The Counselor, College and Career Coach conduct FAFSA meetings. Teacher leaders host parents for Open House and grade level parent nights during Q1.

We also partner with Enlace, Upward Bound and Gear Up which offer a menu of activities for parents during and after school. For example, there are arts and crafts, computers, health awareness and fitness classes offered. Teachers and students design and conduct an annual International Fair and Health Fair for community members. We will continue to explore ideas on how to increase parent participation and engagement.

Guide for Parent and Family Partnership

- Establish a non-threatening, welcoming environment that is warm, inviting, and helpful.
- Provide frequent, high quality, well publicized opportunities for families and community to participate in authentic and engaging activities in the school community (e.g. student performances/ exhibitions, literacy or math events).
- Provide multiple opportunities for parents to ask questions, raise concerns, and give feedback.
 - Respond to families' concerns and requests for information professionally and in a timely manner, providing resources and solutions to address the
 concerns
- Solicit the support and engagement of families as partners in the instructional program (e.g. volunteering, working at home with their child, involvement in class and school projects in and out of school, and parent workshops).
 - Host events for parents to share with other parents how home and school complement each other.
 - Share best practices around learning and development with parents to support students at home.
 - Inform parents of grade level standards and expectations and grading policies with a clear description of what meeting the standard looks like.
 - Inform parents of attendance expectations and the impact of attendance on a student's trajectory.
 - Assist parents to volunteer in the school and/or participate on teams/committees.
 - Promote the use of Parent Portal and Parent University to connect and engage parents with school.
- Frequently communicate with families about class and individual activities and individual student's progress.
 - Regularly inform parents of their child's progress across all relevant measures: attendance, discipline, academics, social-emotional learning, and health and wellness.
 - Send regular, positive, personalized communication from a staff member.
 - Use a variety of consistent communication methods (e.g. calls, text, newsletter, website, face to face) sensitive to cultural norms and needs.
- Conduct intensive outreach to families in need of specialized support through home visits and collaboration with social services agencies.
 - School responses to student excessive absences and/or tardiness includes outreach to families.
- Provide proactive communication (e.g. parent handbook and resources).
- Partner equitably with parents speaking languages other than English.
 - Information is provided to parents in their native language.
 - Parent meetings scheduled with interpreters present to facilitate participation.

	✓ Examples of communication methods and content
	 ✓ Participation rates for Parent University, events, parent council(s),
	report card pick-up, survey completion, Parent Portal, etc.
	✓ Outreach efforts
Suggested Evidence	 Documentation of responsiveness to Parent Support Center concerns raised
	✓ Event agendas, flyers
	 ✓ Fundraising activities and amounts (if applicable)
	 How does the school honor and reflect the diversity of families
	including language and culture?
× -	√ Five Essentials Score – Involved Families
Measures	✓ My Voice, My School Survey scores – outreach to parents; parent-
	teacher trust
Five Essentials	Involved Families
MTSS Framework	Family & Community Engagement
CPS Framework for	2c. Managing Classroom Procedures
Teaching	4c, Communicating with Families
CPS Performance	8,000
Standards for School	D1. Engages Families
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Newsylvas	A TERMINA TO CURROUT IMPROVEMENT BULLDING
NOW WHATE	MATERIALS TO SUPPORT IMPROVEMENT PLANNING
✓ Parent Su	pport Centers
✓ Parent Un	iversity
✓ Parent Pa	rtal

School Excellence Framework Priorities

Score	Framework dimension and category	Area of focus ⊘= Not of focus		f focus			
2	Expectations for depth & breadth of Quality Teaching: Instruction	1	2	3	4	5	0
2	Expectations for depth & breadth of Quality Teaching: Multi-Tiered System of Supports	1	2	3	4	5	0
2	Expectations for depth & breadth of Student Learning: Rigorous Student Tasks	1	2	3	4	5	0
2	Expectations for depth & breadth of Student Learning: Transitions, College & Career Access & Persistence	1	2	3	4	5	0
2	Expectations for Quality & Character of School Life: Parent and Family Partnership	1	2	3	4	5	0
2	Expectations for Quality & Character of School Life: Safety & Order	1	2	3	4	5	0
3	Culture of & Structure for Continuous Improvement: Aligned Resources	1	2	3	4	5	0
3	Culture of & Structure for Continuous Improvement: Instructional Leadership Team	1	2	3	4	5	0
3	Culture of & Structure for Continuous Improvement: Leadership & Collective Responsibility	1	2	3	4	5	0
3	Culture of & Structure for Continuous Improvement: Professional Learning	1	2	3	4	5	0
3	Expectations for depth & breadth of Quality Teaching: Balanced Assessment & Grading	1	2	3	4	5	0
3	Expectations for depth & breadth of Student Learning: Instructional Materials	1	2	3	4	5	0
3	Expectations for Quality & Character of School Life: Culture for Learning	1	2	3	4	5	0
3	Expectations for Quality & Character of School Life: Relational Trust	1	2	3	4	5	0
3	Expectations for Quality & Character of School Life: Restorative Approaches to Discipline	1	2	3	4	5	0

3	Expectations for Quality & Character of School Life: Student Voice, Engagement, & Civic Life			1 2 3 4 5 0			
4	Expectations for depth & breadth of Student Learning: Curriculum			1 2 3 4 5 0			
Goals							
Required r	metrics (Highschool)				17 c	of 17 complet	
		2016-2017 Actual	2017-2018 Actual	2017-2018 SQRP	2018-2019 SQRP	2019-2020 SQRP	
My Voice,	My School 5 Essentials Survey			Goal	Goal	Goal	
Data from	5 Essentials shows that Infinity is well organized for school improvement.	(Blank)	(Blank)	(Blank)	(Blank)	(Blank)	
PSAT 9 An	nual Growth Measure						
	ies predict average point growth (Spring to Spring) from 25 (ERW) -27 (Math) PSAT 9 growth. 90th percentile indicates that we are exceeding that average vth.	(Blank)	91.00	90.00	90.00	90.00	
PSAT 10 A	innual Growth Measure						
_	Board studies predict average point growth for Spring PSAT 9 to Spring PSAT 10 W) and 40 (Math). 80th percentile indicates that we are exceeding that average with	(Blank)	81.00	80.00	80.00	80.00	
	al Growth Measure						
_	to loard students predict average point growth from Spring PSAT 10 to Spring SAT 12 (ERW) and 40 (Math). 85 percentile indicates we are exceeding that growth.	(Blank)	86.00	85.00	85.00	85.00	
3 yr Cohor	rt(SAT) Growth Measure (this will be a new metric)						
	ain growth percentiles, we will need to achieve the following growth from year to year one, 82 and 82- years two and three).	(Blank)	(Blank)	200.00	216.00	250.00	
African-An	nerican School Growth Percentile SAT11						
N/A samp	le size too small	(Blank)	(Blank)	0.00	0.00	0.00	
Hispanic S	School Growth Percentile SAT11						
See abov	e for PSAT 9, 10, 11. Our school is primarily Hispanic.	(Blank)	87.00	90.00	90.00	90.00	
English Le	earner School Growth Percentile SAT11						
achieved	th goals for DLs and ELs parallels that of our general population and will be through modifications as indicated on IEPs and through use of College Board modifications. (Growth percentile)	(Blank)	(Blank)	90.00	90.00	90.00	
Diverse Le	earner School Growth Percentile SAT11						
achieved	th goals for DLs and ELs parallels that of our general population and will be through modifications as indicated on IEPs and through use of College Board modifications. (Growth percentile)	(Blank)	(Blank)	90.00	90.00	90.00	

As we (students and staff) become more familiar with SAT and associated CCSS, we (Blank) 40.00 44.00 45.00 50.00 expected to see gradual growth in student attainment rate. Early College and Career Credentials Rate By expanding our early college offerings (both in availability and pre-requisites), we hope 70.00 60.00 57.00 60.00 65.00 to have the majority of our students exit HS with credit for at least two college classes (via AP. DC or DE) Freshmen On-Track Rate 95.00 95.00 Our freshmen on track rate has been consistently between 93-95 percent over the past 95 00 94 00 95 00 three years maintained by diligence from the freshmen team. 4-Year Cohort Graduation Rate The counseling dept and senior team has done an effective job tracking student 88.00 93.00 95.00 95.00 95.00 progress and intervening when needed to support struggling students via night school, summer school or alternate credit recovery methods. 1-Year Dropout Rate Through effective MTSS strategies, engaging curriculum coupled with student tracking 1.00 1.90 2.00 2.00 1.00 and interventions, we aim to maintain a low drop out rate. College Enrollment Rate With the expansion of dual credit offerings, we feel we can give students an earlier 58.00 66.00 57.00 66.00 70.00 exposure to the college experience and thus increase their interest in going. **College Persistence Rate** This metric continues to be a growth area and will be more closely monitored by our 71.00 58.00 75.00 75.00 75.00 College & Career coach and Counselor. Planning meetings between Admin, Counseling department and current college-going alumni occur annually in the summer to review factors for college persistence. **Average Daily Attendance Rate** We are working to ensure that our students come to school on a timely and consistent 93 00 94 00 94 00 94.00 94.00 basis. In addition to parent calls, we utilize student accountability contracts. Custom metrics 0 of 0 complete 2016-2017 2017-2018 2017-2018 2018-2019 2019-2020 SORP SORP Actual Actual SORP Goal Goal Goal Strategies Strategy 1 If we do... ...then we see... ...which leads to... Provide cognitively challenging tasks grounded Student engagement that is grounded in rich Student artifacts that reflect application of in real world scenarios classroom discourse, application of skills to acquired knowledge and skills for 21st century unique situations, and synthesis of real world situations ideas/concepts across the curriculum Area(s) of focus: Tags:

Planning, Academic rigor, Learning task

Action step Responsible Timeframe Status May 1, 2018 to Engage in instructional planning using Depth of Knowledge (DOK) level Teachers Not started Jun 30, 2020 3/4 learning tasks Planning for instruction, 1d Oct 1, 2018 to Cross content, project based learning tasks will be facilitated by teachers **Department Chairs** Not started Jun 30, 2020 and presented by students. and Grade Level Project-based learning Aug 29, 2018 to On-Track Annual Professional Development on Depth of Knowledge Admin Aug 30, 2018 Strategy 2 If we do... ...then we see... ...which leads to ... Build a skills and standards-based curriculum Vertical skill acquisition and assessment giving A scaffolded curriculum that allows for greater aligned to CCSS, NGSS, WIDA and STEM us an accurate representation of what students student retention, Improved course standards performance and performance on SAT suite of are actually able to do Assessments Tags: Area(s) of focus: Stem, Curriculum planning Timeframe Status Action step Responsible Jul 2, 2018 to Summer Facilitation of collaborative planning and Professional Administration Not started Jul 31, 2018 Development around STEM disciplines Vertical alignment, Summer May 1, 2018 to Expand the number of Computer Science, Dual Credit and Dual Principal; Scheduler On-Track Aug 31, 2018 Enrollment opportunities in alignment with our ECCS expansion College and career, Course planning Sep 30, 2018 to Complete quarterly data reviews to track progress of SAT skills growth (vs. Grade Level leads Not started Jun 30, 2020 prior performance and benchmarks) Sat, Student growth, Student data Nov 2, 2018 to Quarterly Professional Development to support in classroom practices Teacher Leaders Not started Jun 30, 2019 Professional development Strategy 3 If we do... ...then we see... ...which leads to ... Establish a framework for delivering high Teacher teams using the PSP to develop All students being supported with specific quality, differentiated supports for targeted individualized implementation plans to evaluate services that will enable them to become the students and address student needs beyond Tier 1 responsible leaders as messaged in our vision. academics and SEL; Tags: Area(s) of focus:

Multi tiered sytems of support

Action step Responsible Timeframe Status Nov 30, 2018 to Avail teachers of PD opportunities to expand their pedagogical strategies Administration Not started Feb 13, 2019 and knowledge of intervention strategies Professional Learning, SEL Feb 28, 2019 to Develop a series of quarterly SEL days/events to address common and Grade Level Teams Not started Jun 30, 2020 emergent SEL needs (including but not limited to bullying, school safety, self-awareness, sexuality, mental and behavioral health, self-care) SEL, Sel curriculums Oct 1, 2017 to Freshmen on Track quarterly Academies Freshmen teachers On-Track Jun 9, 2018 Action Plan Strategy 1 Engage in instructional planning using Depth of Knowledge (DOK) level 3/4 learning tasks" NOT STARTED May 01, 2018 to Jun 30, 2020 - Teachers Status history Aug 9 Aug 09, 2018 NOT STARTED Evidence Unit Plans NOT STARTED Cross content, project based learning tasks will be facilitated by teachers and presented by students." Oct 01, 2018 to Jun 30, 2020 - Department Chairs and Grade Level Status history Aug 9 Aug 09, 2018 NOT STARTED Evidence Cross Content learning projects ON-TRACK Annual Professional Development on Depth of Knowledge" Aug 29, 2018 to Aug 30, 2018 - Admin Status history Aug 9 Aug 09, 2018 ON-TRACK Evidence Fall PD agenda; learning task with DOK evidence

Summer Facilitation of collaborative planning and Professional Development around STEM disciplines" NOT STARTED Jul 02, 2018 to Jul 31, 2018 - Administration Status history Aug 9 Aug 09, 2018 NOT STARTED **Evidence** STEM job embedded coaching, calendared extended day teacher learning Expand the number of Computer Science, Dual Credit and Dual Enrollment opportunities in alignment with our ECCS expansion" ON-TRACK May 01, 2018 to Aug 31, 2018 - Principal; Scheduler Status history Aug 09, 2018 ON-TRACK Evidence Course Catalog Complete quarterly data reviews to track progress of SAT skills growth (vs. prior performance and benchmarks)" NOT STARTED Sep 30, 2018 to Jun 30, 2020 - Grade Level leads Status history Aug 9 Aug 09, 2018 NOT STARTED **Evidence** Action steps / Data Tracking spreadsheet Quarterly Professional Development to support in classroom practices" NOT STARTED Nov 02, 2018 to Jun 30, 2019 - Teacher Leaders Status history Aug 9 Aug 09, 2018 NOT STARTED Evidence Agendas with STEM priorities identified Strategy 3 Avail teachers of PD opportunities to expand their pedagogical strategies and knowledge of intervention strategies" NOT STARTED Nov 30, 2018 to Feb 13, 2019 - Administration Status history Aug 9

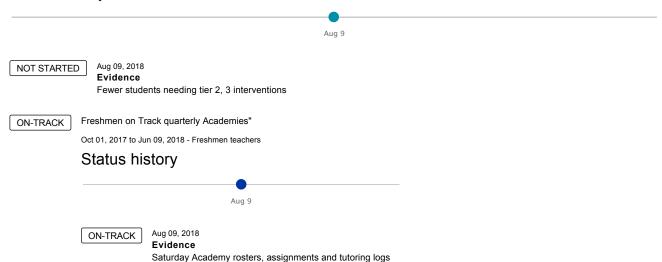
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Evidence

NOT STARTED

Develop a series of quarterly SEL days/events to address common and emergent SEL needs (including but not limited to bullying, school safety, self-awareness, sexuality, mental and behavioral health, self-care)"

Feb 28, 2019 to Jun 30, 2020 - Grade Level Teams

Status history



Fund Compliance

Supplemental General State Aid(SGSA)

My school receives SGSA funds

By checking the above box, the school is verifying that the attendance center complies with the statement regarding the use of SGSA funds:

- 1. The attendance center allocation is correctly based on the number of students eligible to receive free and reduced lunch and breakfast.
- 2. The attendance center has an approced plan, developed in consultation with teachers, administrators, and other appropriate personnel, and parents of thes tudents attending the attendance center.
- 3. The attendance center's plan is approved by the LSC and CPS.
- 4. SGSA funded activities fall within the allowable program categories: early childhood education, reduced class size, enrichment programs, remedial assistance, attendance improvement, and other educationally beneficial expenditures which supplement the regular programs as determined by the illinois state board of education.
- 5. SGSA Funds supplement and do not suppland non-categorical and other categorical funds allocated to the attendance center.
- 6. SGSA funds are supporting only those activities specified in the school's approved plan/amendment.
- 7. SGSA funds are not used for capital expenditures. 8. SGSA funds are not used for any political or lobbying activities by the attendance center.

ESSA Program

ESSA Schoolwide Program

(Not available to schools receiving NCLB funds for the first time) [Title 1/SW].

The school annually reviews the schoolwide plan/program. The schoolwide program plan is available to CPS, parents, and the public, and the information in the plan is in an understandable and uniform format, and to the extent practicable in a language the parents can understand.

ESSA Targeted Assistance Program Title I funded staff participate in the school's general professional development and school planning activities. Title I funded staff assume limited duties that are assigned to similar personnel including duties beyond the classroom, or that do not benefit Title I students, as long as the amount of time spent on such duties is the same proportion of the total work time with respect to similar staff.
 Non-title school that does not receive any Title funds

Parent Involvement in Targeted Assistance and Schoolwide Programs

I verify that the statement below is correct

Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA), the reauthorization of the Elementary and Secondary Act of 1965 continues a legislative commitment to parental involvement. Central features of prior reauthorizations, such as school-parent compacts, parent involvement policies, and the parent involvement funding formula remain unaltered. However, the ESSA reauthorization represents a notable shift in the role of parental involvement in the schools. It includes new

provisions increasing parental notification requirements, parental selection of educational options, and parental involvement in governance. It envisions parents as informed and empowered decision makers in their children's education.

Parent and Family Plan

Parent and Family Engagement Policy

Complete

Schools must involve parents and family in the joint development and periodic review and revision of the ESSA, Title I school parental and family engagement plan and policy, and in the process of school review and improvement. Please describe how this will be accomplished.

Infinity's ALSC and PAC will hold monthly meetings to communicate regarding parent involvement policy and school improvement plans. During these meetings, parents will be made knowledgeable of the NCLB, Title I, school strategic priorities and will have the opportunity to offer feedback for adjustments and improvements to the Parent Compact. The general public will also have access through published invitations to these meetings. While reviewing and progress monitoring the goals of the CIWP, parent feedback will be utilized in plans.

The school will hold an annual meeting at a time convenient to parents and families during the first month of school to inform them of the school's participation in ESSA, Title I programs and to explain the Title I requirements and their right to be involved in the Title I programs. The school will also offer a number of additional parental and family engagement meetings, including school PAC meetings, at different times and will invite all parents and key family members of children participating in the ESSA, Title I program to these meetings, and encourage them to attend. Please describe how this will be accomplished. Please list the projected date of your Title I Annual Meeting and your Title I PAC Organizational Meeting

The Title I annual informational meeting will be held in October 2018. The annual PAC organizational meeting will be held in October 2018 to elect parent members, inform them of NCLB budget and Title 1 programs. Infinity will conduct additional parental involvement meetings monthly. These meetings will be announced in advance with a full agenda posted in the front lobby of the campus. Calls will be made to solicit parent involvement. A calendar of meeting dates will be made accessible during quarter 1. Parents will be encouraged to attend PAC informational, organizational meetings and provide feedback during designated time. Parents will be informed of our Title I program during orientation and open house both during the summer and in quarter 1. Class curricula will be shared & explained via syllabi and/or course descriptors along with grading criteria. Progress reports will be distributed every 5th week. Report cards will be distributed quarterly. Parent teacher conferences will be held during report card pick-up during quarters 1 and 3; grades will be sent home with students at the conclusion of quarters 2 and 4.

At the request of parents and family members, schools will provide opportunities for regular meetings, including the School Parent Advisory Council meetings, for parents and family members to formulate suggestions and to participate, as appropriate, in decisions about the education of their children. Please describe how the school will immediately respond to any such suggestions.

Infinity will immediately respond to parent requests for decisions on the education of all learners. These will first be done in person whenever possible, and when not, via phone call and emails and letters. All school staff will initiate and be open to 2-way communication with parents and students to ensure a team approach is taken for student achievement.

Schools will provide parents a report of their child's performance on the State assessment in at least math, language arts and reading. Please describe how this will be accomplished.

Parents will be given assessment performance data immediately after results are posted and shared by the state and district. Infinity's Guidance Counseling Department will share next steps for students pertaining to assessment results, course offerings and how to secure social emotional, attendance and academic resources for whole child improvement.

Schools will provide parents timely notice when their child has been assigned to, or taught by, a teacher who is not "highly qualified," as defined in the Title I Final Regulations, for at least four (4) consecutive weeks. Please describe how this will be accomplished.

The Administrative team will follow procedures outlined by the State of Illinois and CPS. Every effort will be made to hire "highly qualified" teachers. However, in the event that an employee is not, we will send official communication to the parents of affected students informing them of the teacher's credentials. Infinity will continue to search and secure highly qualified staff during this interim.

Schools will assist parents of participating ESSA Title I children in understanding: the state's academic content standards; the state's student academic achievement standards; the state and local academic assessments including alternate assessments; the requirements of Title I, Part A; how to monitor their child's progress; and how to work with educators. Please describe how this will be accomplished.

Infinity will build parent capacity by having collaborative conversations around Common Core and REACH standards as well as familiarize them with state and district assessments including alternate assessments for diverse learners; parents will be offered training on how to use the parent portal to monitor student progress. Parents will also be made knowledgeable of the school's shift toward a balanced assessment system focused on standards based grading.

Schools will provide information, resources, materials and training, including literacy training and technology, as appropriate, to assist parents and family members in working with their children to improve their academic achievement, and to encourage increased parental involvement. Please describe how this will be accomplished.

Parents will be made aware of resources available to assist in their child's academic achievement during ALL points of contact: parent conferences, report card pick-ups, emails, phone calls, newsletters and via the school website. In our main office, parents can also find literature on academics, social emotional topics, community resources and events. We will readily provide parents with flyers, brochures and materials from our counseling department and community agencies that partner with Infinity.

Schools will educate all staff in the value and utility of contributions by parents and family and in how to reach out to, communicate and work with, parents and family as equal partners in the education of their children and in how to implement and coordinate parent and family programs and build ties with parents and family members. Please describe how this will be accomplished.

Teachers will use call logs, intervention and remediation plans to communicate learning targets and academic expectations for students. Staff will solicit student information through interest inventory surveys on learning styles in order to best educate children. Staff will regularly access SIM and emergency forms to contact parents and build relationships with families.

Schools will, to the extent feasible and appropriate, coordinate and integrate parent and family programs and activities with Head Start, Reading First, Early Reading First involvement, Even Start, Home Instruction Programs for Preschool Youngsters, the Parents as Teachers Program, public preschool, and other programs, to further encourage and support parents and families in more fully participating in their children's education. Please describe how this will be accomplished.

Increased efforts will be made to integrate parent activities and high school orientation meetings. Infinity will conduct school investigation days. Counselors will hold articulation meetings at elementary schools to encourage participation in Freshman Connection prior to entering high school. College and Career Coach will facilitate quarterly meetings to inform students and parents on post secondary options.

Schools will ensure that information related to the school and parent and family programs, meetings, and other activities is sent to parents in understandable and uniform formats, including language. Please describe how this will be accomplished.

Regular mailings will be sent home with information concerning parent programs, meetings and activities. Automated and live calls will be made to inform parents of upcoming events. Written communication will be sent home in English and Spanish and will be posted on the Infinity Website. There is an available list of translators accessible in the main office. The Principal will employ flexible meeting times to accommodate parents whose schedules conflict with school hours.

Policy Implementation Activities

The LSC will approve the school improvement plan and monitor the CIWP.

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In the CIWP, the school identifies current parental and family engagement practices and outlines activities related to expanding parent and family partnership programs.

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The school will coordinate the parent and family engagement programs identified in the CIWP.

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The school will evaluate the Parent and Family Engagement Policy for effectiveness and make improvements as necessary.

Explain why any of the boxes above are unchecked: (type "n/a" if all are checked)

n/a

School-Parent Compact Complete

The school will provide high-quality curriculum and instruction in a supportive and effective learning environment that enables the participating student to meet the State's student academic achievement standards. Describe how the school will provide high-quality curriculum and instruction in a supportive environment. (Restate the school mission.)

The Mission of Infinity High School is to develop 21st century innovators by providing a safe, supportive and challenging learning community. We will provide our teachers with high quality professional development designed to enhance teaching and improve student outcomes. Additional SEL training will be offered to address the social emotional needs of our students. Infinity promotes a familial atmosphere for all students while assisting hem in establishing life-long goals.

The school will hold parent-teacher conferences. Describe the kinds of parent-teacher conferences that will be held and the dates on which they are scheduled.

Parent teacher conferences will be held during Report Card pick-up at the conclusion of Quarter 1 (November) and Quarter 3 (April). Parents will meet grade level teachers in designated classes on the first floor to discuss academic progress.

The school will provide parents with frequent reports on their children's progress. Describe when and how the school will provide reports to parents.

Every 5th week, parents and students will be provided with progress reports with grades and attendance for every class. Parents can log into the CPS Impact Website, after securing training, to monitor their child(s) academic progress using Parent Portal.

The school will provide parents access to staff. Describe when, where and how staff will be available for consultations with parents.

The school website will enable parents to communicate directly with the classroom teachers. Parents will have access to staff during two report card pick-up conference days, and by appointment during the school year. Teachers will be available for conferences during freshman orientation and open house. Teachers will use 2-way call logs and email to regularly build relationships with parents and update them on student progress as needed.

The school will provide parents opportunities to volunteer and participate in their children's classes. Describe how and when parents and family members may volunteer, participate, and observe classroom activities.

All parents are encouraged to assume a role as active in their child's learning process and social-emotional development with a supportive presence and through volunteering. Infinity will provide opportunities for parents to shadow their child during the school day including assisting in the classrooms, monitoring cafeteria and hallways, serving as translators, chaperoning field trips, and assisting with student projects, athletic and special events.

The parents will support their children's learning. Describe how the parents will assist learning (i.e. monitoring attendance, homework completion).

Parents will regularly attend their child's IEP meetings, parent-teacher and goal setting conferences and they will monitor student progress via IMPACT Parent Portal. Parents will be involved in forums, ALSC meetings and complete surveys that will be used to guide general school improvement. Parents will support teachers and administration in monitoring successful completion of academic assignments done at and away from school. Parents will ensure that their child's attendance is consistent and aligned with the school-wide attendance goal.

The parents will participate in decisions relating to the education of their children. Describe when, where and how parents will consult with the school.

Parents will regularly attend their child's IEP meetings, parent-teacher and goal setting conferences and they will monitor student progress via IMPACT Parent Portal. Parents will be invited to individual parent-student-teacher meetings if concerns arise. Parents will support teachers and administration in monitoring successful completion of academic assignments done at and away from school. Parents will see to it that their student attendance is aligned with the Infinity's school-wide attendance goal.

The students will share the responsibility for improved student academic achievement. Describe how the students will assure academic achievement (i.e. good attendance, positive attitude, class preparation).

Students will regularly self-monitor their progress through the use of IMPACT Parent Portal and teacher check-ins. Infinity students will be accountable for their achievement. Their learning foundation will be embedded in exemplary attendance. Student academic success will come from being prepared for class with all required materials. Student success will be measured against high expectations.

Parent Budget Complete

Goals: Indicate goals, timeline of activities and training topics that are designed to assist parents and families with increasing their students' academic achievement. The overarching goal is to increase student academic achievement through parental and family engagement involvement; specify your goals.

Teachers will attend Bi-monthly Cafe meetings. PAC, BAC and ALSC meetings will take place monthly so that parents are abreast strategies to achieve our school wide goals outlined in our mission and vision.

Goals: Provide training, support, workshops for parents of each grade level monthly. Primary goal is to facilitate strategies to improve student achievement: Topics include: Parent Portal; college access and opportunity; FAFSA information; ELL/DL training and support; 9th grade transition; articulation meetings with elementary school parents; Immigration Issues; Health and Wellness topics; Meetings provided each month. Funding is provided to help facilitate these meetings and provide access and opportunity for our school's parents to attend and participate.

Allocate your Mandated Title 1 Parent and Family Engagement Funds to support your Parent and Family Engagement Program.

only. Use this account for equipment with a per unit cost of less than \$500.

Account(s) Description Allocation 51130. Teacher Presenter/ESP Extended Day \$ 0 .00 52130 For Teacher presenter, ESP Extended Day, please remember to put money on the benefits line. Non-Instructional pay rate applies. 53405 Supplies \$ 1000 .00 In addition to supplies for parent program, please use this account to also purchase books for parents

53205	Refreshments Allocation CAN NOT EXCEED 25% of the Parent Budget. Refreshments must be used for Title 1 PAC meetings, trainings and workshops.	\$ 0	.00.
54125	Consultants For Parent Training Only. Consultant must have a CPS vendor number and paid with a Purchase Order after service is rendered (NO CHECKS ARE ALLOWED)	\$ 500	.00.
54505	Admission and Registration Fees, Subscriptions and memberships For Parents use only.	\$ 916	.00
54205	Buses for Parents use. Overnight Conference travel- schools must follow the CPS Travel Policy. The CPS Parent Overnight Travel Approval Form and Conference Travel Form must be completed.	\$ 0	.00
54565	Allocation CAN NOT EXCEED 25% OF THE Parent Budget. All Parent Reimbursements related to Title 1 parent and family engagement must be paid from this account. Receipts must be clear unaltered and itemized. School must keep all receipts.	\$ 500	.00
53510	Postage Must be used for parent and family engagement programs only.	\$ 50	.00
53306	Software Must be educational and for parent use only.	\$ 0	.00
55005	Furniture and Equipment Must have a parent room or a secure place to keep furniture/equipment. Cannot be placed in the main office or where staff and students have access too. To by used only by parents.	\$ 0	.00