



Esmond Elementary School / Plan summary

## 2018-2020 plan summary

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### Team meetings

Date	Participants	Topic
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04/23/2018	Dr. Tucker, Mr. Mason, D. McClinton, L. Harrington, S. Ingram, D. Quinn	Review Excellence Frameworks, (Webinar) Balanced Assessments & Grading, CIWP Action Plan Development Guide, (Articles) and Discussions
12/18/2017	Dr. Tucker, Mr. Mason, L. Smith, D. McClinton,	Open Communication and School Planning Process
01/24/2018	Dr. Tucker, Mr. Mason, L. Smith, D. McClinton,	Formulation of Team Members and Review/Discuss "Stages of Team Development" (Article)
01/25/2018	Dr. Tucker, Mr. Mason, L. Smith, D. McClinton,	Workplan, Review and Discuss "A Shift In School Culture" and "Stages of Team Development" (Articles)
02/09/2018	Dr. Tucker, Mr. Mason, L. Smith, D. McClinton,	
02/22/2018	Dr. Tucker, Mr. Mason, L. Smith, D. McClinton,	CIWP Launched and Review and Discuss "A Shift In School Culture" (Article)
02/28/2018	Dr. Tucker, Mr. Mason, L. Smith, D. McClinton,	Professional Grading Standards and Grading Practices Guidelines
04/16/2018	Dr. Tucker, Mr. Mason, L. Smith, D. McClinton,	Shared Goal-Setting Framework
04/26/2018	Dr. Tucker, Mr. Mason, L. Smith, D. McClinton,	Review and Discuss "Effective Grading" (Article)
04/30/2018	Dr. Tucker, Mr. Mason, L. Smith, D. McClinton,	
05/02/2018	Dr. Tucker, Mr. Mason, L. Smith, D. McClinton,	Effective Grading and Balanced Assessment

#### 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.

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Esmond ILT team consist of IB Coordinator, both primary and upper language arts & math, MTSS, diverse learner, counselor, assistant principal, community member and social emotional support personnel.

They all represent a balanced group of stakeholders that are well vested in the interest in improving academic achievement and overall school improvement. We strive to work in a collaborative effort to improve, enrich and empower all stakeholders to be change agents in the development of our mission and vision that we establish collectively. Together we agreed to have establish clear and measurable goals that target a 10% increase in all content related areas.

Esmond's theory of action clearly articulates the key foci, based upon the analysis of all data, goals and next steps that will be taken to make the necessary gains to promote successful outcomes for students. Through our SEL component and IB department we work to maintain Esmond student leaders in most grades to begin to establish student independence early to promote learning and take responsibility for learning.

Teachers are encouraged to share best practices learned at CPS Summits and Network 10 professional developments, principal and grade level meetings and visiting schools throughout the year. Additionally, our ILT focuses on metrics of the SQRP. We all take a close look at on track and off track reports, student attendance, misconducts reports and other tools outlined as our "Watch Report" compiled by N10 which also highlights sub groups within our population. We work toward monitoring school progress according to CIWP goals and implementing attainable action steps to support all teaching staff learning community.

The ILT has placed tremendous efforts to strengthen our school quality rating results that will ultimately lead Esmond to a Level 1+ status. Our ILT conducts learning walks along with support from Network 10 administrators to get a closer look at quick fixes and or necessary adjustments to improve instruction at all grade levels. Our team looks closely at all tier groups via MTSS to maintain focus to address all diverse population of learners. ILT meets bi weekly in a collaborative effort to enhance instruction and move Esmond to Level 1+ designation. The results of Esmond's 2017-2018 Five Essential survey reports we dropped to organized status. This report is shared with Esmond's Local School Council, PAC group, faculty and all stakeholders in our community to improve our practices.

## Guide for Leadership & Collective Responsibility

- **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.
  - 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.

## Evidence, Measures, and Standards

EVIDENCE, MEASURES, AND STANDARDS	
Suggested Evidence	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ School's vision, beliefs, and how it is shared (e.g. presentations to community, promotional materials)</li> <li>✓ Five Essentials – Program Coherence</li> </ul>
Measures	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ Five Essentials</li> </ul>
Five Essentials	Effective Leaders Collaborative Teachers
CPS Framework for Teaching	<a href="#">4d. Growing and Developing Professionally</a> <a href="#">4e. Demonstrating Professionalism</a>
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:

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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.

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Esmond's ILT Team has representation from all grade level domains (reading, math, and science), and Multi Tiers Systems of Support. The ILT / Multi Systems Team meets bi-weekly and focuses on data analysis and data-driven instruction that promotes best practices for students successful outcomes. Additionally, they discuss SEL concerns and celebrations / supports to increase and improve student behavioral infractions. Teacher leaders assist in preparing professional development for the staff and teacher teams as well as reflect on individual process and strategies for improvements. ILT uses the reflection tool for process monitoring of the theory of action. To maintain accountability, meeting agendas and minutes are prepared for transparency.

### 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.**
  - 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.**

### Evidence, Measures, and Standards

EVIDENCE, MEASURES, AND STANDARDS	
Suggested Evidence	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ ILT Effectiveness Rubric Score</li> <li>✓ ILT artifacts (e.g. agenda, calendar, protocols, minutes)</li> <li>✓ Evidence that work of ILT has contributed to positive outcomes for students and staff</li> <li>✓ Teacher team agendas/minutes reflective of ILT focus</li> </ul>
Measures	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ Five Essentials: Instructional Leadership</li> </ul>
Five Essentials	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Effective Leaders</li> <li>Collaborative Teachers</li> </ul>
MTSS Framework	<a href="#">Shared Leadership, Evaluation of MTSS</a>
CPS Framework for Teaching	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><a href="#">4a. Reflecting on Teaching &amp; Learning</a></li> <li><a href="#">4d. Growing and Developing Professionally</a></li> <li><a href="#">4e. Demonstrating Professionalism</a></li> </ul>
CPS Performance Standards for School Leaders	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A1. Assesses the Current State of School Performance and Develops a CIWP</li> <li>A2. Implements Data Driven Decision Making and Data Driven Instruction</li> </ul>
NOW WHAT? MATERIALS TO SUPPORT IMPROVEMENT PLANNING	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ <a href="#">Instructional Leadership Team Planning Tools</a></li> <li>✓ <a href="#">PLC and Mentoring Coaching Resources</a></li> </ul>

### 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.

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Professional learning is ongoing and teachers are able to share best instructional practices. Esmond Expert teams meet in Principal Grade Level Meetings or teacher teams to share and discuss best practices. Teams of teachers participate in peer classroom observations and debrief to provide feedback to support instruction. Support includes whole group, guided group, mini lessons, differentiated instruction, as well as technology demonstrations to incorporate into daily practices. Additional math and literacy professional developments (Summits) via network 10 strengthened teachers' practices and served as support. The instructional leadership team and grade level individuals collaborate around schedules so they can began visiting classrooms on targeted learning walks to see what additional training or support teachers needed. Seasoned teachers scheduled time to observe teachers and give feedback.

Teacher collaboration teams meet regularly to discuss implementation of the new practices and the impact of the practices on student learning by looking at student work and course assessment data. The Mangaebac online program has interface and functionalities of the system format to support teachers in building their unit plans, rubrics and student assessments in one place. Teachers participated in dok, problem of professional learning practice to target instruction in collaboration with the Danielson's framework for excellence.

IB teachers continue to work closely in vertical teams with IB coordinator and manage bac support to strengthen practice with a greater focus on international studies. All professional development is logged into CPS University for tracking purposes. Coaching and support are provided throughout the school with members of school instructional leadership and support teams. Again, the Five Essential survey clearly indicates Esmond's teachers are moving in a positive direction that will ultimately improve and increase academic and school performance.

### Guide for Professional Learning

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

EVIDENCE, MEASURES, AND STANDARDS	
Suggested Evidence	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ School's PD Plan – review for goal alignment – does the plan advance the school's improvement agenda?</li> <li>✓ PD agendas, PD feedback surveys</li> <li>✓ Teacher practice improving on the Framework for Teaching (e.g. Basic&gt;Proficient, Proficient&gt;Distinguished)</li> </ul>
Measures	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ SQRP Attainment and Growth</li> <li>✓ Five Essentials: Collaborative Teachers</li> </ul>
Five Essentials	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Effective Leaders</li> <li>Collaborative Teachers</li> </ul>
MTSS Framework	<a href="#">Shared Leadership, Curriculum &amp; Instruction</a>
CPS Framework for Teaching	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><a href="#">4a. Reflecting on Teaching &amp; Learning</a></li> <li><a href="#">4d. Growing and Developing Professionally</a></li> <li><a href="#">4e. Demonstrating Professionalism</a></li> </ul>
CPS Performance Standards for School Leaders	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>82. Observes and Evaluates Staff and Gives Feedback to Staff</li> <li>86. Professional Development Provided for Staff</li> </ul>
NOW WHAT? MATERIALS TO SUPPORT IMPROVEMENT PLANNING	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ <a href="#">Teaching the Teachers</a></li> <li>✓ <a href="#">Making Better Use of Research</a></li> <li>✓ <a href="#">Upcoming Professional Learning Opportunities</a></li> <li>✓ <a href="#">Framework for Teaching PD Modules</a></li> </ul>

### 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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The school's schedule is structured to provide mandatory minutes in each subject area, including a two hour literacy block. Common planning time has been provided through the use of the Furman Brown school design. Teachers receive a daily allocated time for preparations and meetings. Diverse Learning Instructors create and implement a set schedule to service all diverse learners. Time Distribution sheets and Time-On Task are also posted in every classroom detailing their particular schedule for the day. We will continue to provide scheduling that promotes meaningful teacher collaboration during the school day where necessary. Adjustments are made to accommodate non interruption of reading blocks and teacher collaboration. This is a practice that occurs weekly.

### 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.**
- **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, Measures, and Standards

EVIDENCE, MEASURES, AND STANDARDS	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ Schedules</li> <li>✓ Teacher retention rates</li> <li>✓ Staff exit interviews/surveys (data on reasons for leaving school or district)</li> </ul>
Suggested Evidence	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ Candidate interview protocol documents</li> <li>✓ List of community-based organizations that partner with the school and description of services</li> <li>✓ Evidence of effectiveness of the services that community-based organizations provide</li> <li>✓ Budget analysis and CIWP</li> </ul>
Measures	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ Five Essentials</li> </ul>
Five Essentials	Effective Leaders, Collaborative Teachers
MTSS Framework	<a href="#">Shared Leadership, Curriculum &amp; Instruction, Family &amp; Community Engagement</a>
CPS Framework for Teaching	<a href="#">4a. Reflecting on Teaching &amp; Learning</a> <a href="#">4e. Demonstrating Professionalism</a>
CPS Performance Standards for School Leaders	A3. Allocates Resources to Support Student Learning, Prioritizing Time B4. Hires and Retains Highly Effective Teachers
NOW WHAT? MATERIALS TO SUPPORT IMPROVEMENT PLANNING	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ <a href="#">Aligning Resources with Priorities: Focusing on What Matters Most</a></li> <li>✓ <a href="#">Instructional Supports</a></li> <li>✓ <a href="#">Strategic Source Vendor List</a></li> <li>✓ <a href="#">CPS Instructional Time Guidelines: Elementary School Overview</a></li> <li>✓ <a href="#">CPS Instructional Time Guidelines: High School Overview</a></li> <li>✓ <a href="#">CPS Instructional Block Guidance: K-2 Literacy</a></li> <li>✓ <a href="#">CPS Instructional Block Toolkits: Math</a></li> </ul>

Expectations for depth & breadth of Student Learning

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### Curriculum:

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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.

All grade levels plan for instruction utilizing the Common Core Standards, Network 10 and Quarterly Instructional Foci, as well as pacing guides. During weekly grade level meetings, all curriculum encompasses curriculum maps, unit plans, and weekly lesson plans with weekly foci. Included in planning is Social Emotional Learning (SEL) and IEP reviews for diverse learners. Additionally, read-alouds and Extended Day curriculum are developed. More importantly, all students and stakeholders are aware of the learning expectations at Esmond. Pacing guides are shared at Local School Council Meeting and Parent Meetings throughout the school year. We take a close look at our NWEA Data and Amplify Data to make better and informed decisions at the individual needs of all learners. We have worked exclusively with all teachers via collaboration to support best practices for instruction to help balanced literacy and math across all grade levels. General Ed and Diverse Learner teachers work collaboratively to create lesson and unit plans. The outcomes for support are geared for all students including students with diverse learning styles. Multiple sources are provided to support instruction such as Study Island, Map Skills, Pearson Realize, Accelerated Reader, Heggerty Phonemic Awareness Program, Read Write Sing Spell, several resources and periodicals on tape and Moby Max in classrooms. We are looking to continue and strengthen our options such as EnVision Math, New Vocabulary Books- Word Wisdom and multiple resources to support CCSS and move Esmond to a Level 1+ status.

### 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.

## Evidence, Measures, and Standards

EVIDENCE, MEASURES, AND STANDARDS	
Suggested Evidence	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ Curriculum maps, vertical/horizontal</li> <li>✓ Sequencing and pacing guides</li> <li>✓ Thematic units which cover multiple disciplines</li> <li>✓ Comprehensive unit plans including assessments</li> </ul>
Measures	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ SGRP Attainment and Growth</li> </ul>
Five Essentials	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Ambitious Instruction</li> <li>Effective Leaders</li> <li>Collaborative Teachers</li> </ul>
MTSS Framework	<a href="#">Curriculum &amp; Instruction</a>
CPS Framework for Teaching	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><a href="#">3a. Communicating with Students</a></li> <li><a href="#">3c. Engaging Students in Learning</a></li> <li><a href="#">1a. Demonstrating knowledge of content and pedagogy</a></li> <li><a href="#">1d. Designing Coherent Instruction</a></li> </ul>
CPS Performance Standards for School Leaders	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>B1. Implements Curricular Scope and Sequence and Reviews Instructional Practices</li> <li>C1. Creates a Culture that Supports Social Emotional Learning and Effective Effort</li> </ul>
NOW WHAT? MATERIALS TO SUPPORT IMPROVEMENT PLANNING	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ CPS Content Frameworks: <a href="#">Math</a>, <a href="#">Science</a>, <a href="#">Social Science</a>, and <a href="#">Literacy</a></li> <li>✓ CPS Literacy Scope and Sequence</li> <li>✓ CPS Math Scope and Sequence Guidance</li> <li>✓ Digital Citizenship Curriculum</li> <li>✓ K-12 Financial Literacy Guide</li> <li>✓ Personal Finance 3.0 Course</li> <li>✓ Physical Education Scope &amp; Sequence</li> <li>✓ Health Education Scope &amp; Sequence</li> <li>✓ Interdisciplinary African &amp; African American Studies Curriculum</li> <li>✓ Interdisciplinary Latino and Latin American Studies Curriculum</li> </ul>

### Instructional Materials:

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)

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Instructional materials such as Reading Street, Word Wisdom, Grammar Usage and Mechanics, EnVision Math, Foss Science, Leveled Readers, Scholastic News, National Geographic, Science World, Power Teacher Math, MARS, Phonics & Spelling, Sing Spell Read & Write, Math Antics, Math Thematics, Pearson Realize, Anchor Texts and Nonfiction Texts are aligned with the Common Core Standards. Math manipulatives, Interactive Science Curriculum and computer based program such as Accelerated Reader, Study Island, Map Skills, Engaged NY, IXL, Moby Max and Khan Academy are used to engage all students in active learning opportunities.

## 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.

## Evidence, Measures, and Standards

EVIDENCE, MEASURES, AND STANDARDS	
Suggested Evidence	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ Cross-section of materials from a variety of content areas and grade levels</li> <li>✓ Evidence of scaffolding and differentiation for all students to access the content/skills</li> <li>✓ Description of materials in curriculum and/or lesson plans</li> <li>✓ Presence of varied texts, supplementary media (e.g. videos)</li> </ul>
Measures	✓ SGRP Attainment and Growth
Five Essentials	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Ambitious Instruction</li> <li>Supportive Environment</li> </ul>
MTSS Framework	Curriculum & Instruction
CPS Framework for Teaching	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1a. Demonstrating Knowledge of Content and Pedagogy</li> <li>1b. Demonstrating Knowledge of Students</li> <li>1c. Selecting Learning Objectives</li> <li>1d. Designing Coherent Instruction</li> </ul>
CPS Performance Standards for School	A3. Allocates Resources to Support Student Learning, Prioritizing Time
NOW WHAT? MATERIALS TO SUPPORT IMPROVEMENT PLANNING	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ <a href="#">Universal Design for Learning Guidelines 2.0</a></li> <li>✓ <a href="#">UDL PD Modules</a></li> <li>✓ <a href="#">CPS Integrated Library System (S.O.A.R.)</a></li> </ul>

### 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)

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Weekly grade level meetings are used to analyze student work, data and discuss progress monitoring. Teacher teams (general and diverse learning teachers) collaborate to plan for instruction. ILT members present information to their grade level and departmental teams, serving as the "expert". Agendas, sign-in sheets and minutes are used to document grade level and departmental meeting activity. ILT members conduct walk-throughs with immediate feedback.

## Guide for Rigorous Student Tasks

- **Begin with the belief that all students can learn. (see *Culture for Learning*)**
  - 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, Measures, and Standards

EVIDENCE, MEASURES, AND STANDARDS	
Suggested Evidence	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ Cross-section of student work from a variety of content areas</li> <li>✓ Observation of student learning (e.g. learning walks/walkthroughs)</li> <li>✓ Focus group(s) and discussions with students</li> </ul>
Measures	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ SGRP Attainment and Growth</li> </ul>
Five Essentials	Ambitious Instruction
MTSS Framework	<a href="#">Shared Leadership, Curriculum &amp; Instruction</a>
CPS Framework for Teaching	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><a href="#">1.d. Designing Coherent Instruction</a></li> <li><a href="#">2b. Establishing a Culture for Learning</a></li> <li><a href="#">3b. Using Questioning and Discussion Techniques</a></li> <li><a href="#">3c. Engaging Students in Learning</a></li> </ul>
CPS Performance Standards for School Leaders	B1. Implements Curricular Scope and Sequence and Reviews Instructional Practices
NOW WHAT? MATERIALS TO SUPPORT IMPROVEMENT PLANNING	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ <a href="#">Teaching for Robust Understanding in Mathematics (TRU Math)</a></li> <li>✓ <a href="#">Math Practices: What to Look For (Observation Tool)</a></li> <li>✓ <a href="#">Checking In: Do Classroom Assignments Reflect Today's Higher Standards?</a></li> <li>✓ <a href="#">Student Work Protocol (SGWP)</a></li> <li>✓ <a href="#">Slice Protocol – Looking at Student Work</a></li> </ul>

### Transitions, College & Career Access & Persistence:

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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)

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College and Career Readiness are discussed with students by the counselor, IB coordinator, teachers and administration in informal conversations. Students participate in college and career fairs, college tours and virtual college tours. They are also exposed to college campuses through student incentives such as UIC and Depaul basketball and baseball games. The counselor provides eighth grade students with information for Go-CPS for selective enrollment high schools that connect students to academic preparatory programs based upon their future aspirations.

### 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).**
  - 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 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Algebra to all eligible 8<sup>th</sup> 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

## Evidence, Measures, and Standards

EVIDENCE, MEASURES, AND STANDARDS	
Suggested Evidence	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ Data on college visits and college fair information</li> <li>✓ Navigation History Data</li> <li>✓ Scholarships earned</li> <li>✓ Artifacts, plans, or timelines related to successful transitions structures</li> <li>✓ To &amp; Through data</li> </ul>
Measures	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ College Enrollment, Persistence, Drop Out, and Attendance Rates</li> <li>✓ Early College and Career Credentials</li> </ul>
Five Essentials	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Ambitious Instruction</li> <li>Supportive Environment</li> </ul>
MTSS Framework	Curriculum & Instruction, Family & Community Engagement
CPS Framework for Teaching	2b. Establishing a Culture for Learning
CPS Performance Standards for	C1. Creates a Culture that Supports Social Emotional Learning and Effective Effort
NOW WHAT? MATERIALS TO SUPPORT IMPROVEMENT PLANNING	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ Transitioning College</li> <li>✓ CPS Advisory Framework</li> <li>✓ Preventing colleges from melting away</li> <li>✓ To &amp; Through Project</li> <li>✓ Redefining College &amp; Career Readiness</li> <li>✓ College Scorecard</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ CPS College Persistence Toolkit</li> <li>✓ Meaningful Linkages Between Summer Programs, Schools, and Community</li> <li>✓ From HS to the Future (CCBP, 2006)</li> </ul>
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### Instruction:

The teachers have finely honed instructional skills. They can shift from one approach to another as the situation demands by carefully monitoring the effect of their teaching on student learning. They seamlessly incorporate ideas and concepts from other 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.

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Learning objectives are posted and aligned to Common Core Standards and pacing guides. Depth of Knowledge questioning techniques are used by most teachers to develop critical thinking among students. Most teachers differentiate instruction on a regular basis to meet the academic needs of all students through the gradual release module, differentiated instruction, Learning Continuum, Check Points through teaching strategies, Creative Curriculum, Math Talks, weekly formative assessments and ongoing revisions that guide instruction. Individual teachers and teacher teams have access to real-time data after each assessment such as (Study Island, Map Skills, Khan Academy, Pearson Realize, Accelerated Reader, Dibels, mClass math, TRC, Burst, Raz Kids, Learning A-Z, Reach Assessment, NWEA, Unit Tests, teacher generated tests, weekly reading selection and math tests, and IAA) to analyze and use to drive instruction. Teachers are also provided with their classroom, departmental and school-wide data by administration. Teachers design interim assessments via Study Island, Pearson Realize and Map Skills to address the academic needs of all students differentiating instruction including diverse learners using quick checks, quick reads, PARCC practice and the IBO/OCC global component.

### 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

EVIDENCE, MEASURES, AND STANDARDS	
Suggested Evidence	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ Evidence of best practices (flexible grouping, cognitively demanding tasks, open-ended questions)</li> <li>✓ Informational observations, peer observations, learning walks</li> <li>✓ Lesson studies</li> </ul>
Measures	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ SGRP Attainment and Growth</li> <li>✓ REACH observation trends (de-identified)</li> </ul>
Five Essentials	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Ambitious Instruction</li> <li>Effective Leaders</li> <li>Supportive Environment</li> </ul>
MTSS Framework	<a href="#">Curriculum &amp; Instruction</a>
CPS Framework for Teaching	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><a href="#">3a. Communicating with Students</a></li> <li><a href="#">3b. Using Questioning and Discussion Techniques</a></li> <li><a href="#">3c. Engaging Students in Learning</a></li> <li><a href="#">3d. Using Assessment in Instruction</a></li> <li><a href="#">3e. Demonstrating Flexibility and Responsiveness</a></li> </ul>
CPS Performance Standards for School Leaders	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>B1. Implements Curricular Scope and Sequence and Reviews Instructional Practices</li> <li>B2. Observes and Evaluates Staff and Gives Feedback to Staff</li> </ul>
NOW WHAT? MATERIALS TO SUPPORT IMPROVEMENT PLANNING	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ <a href="#">CPS Framework for Teaching with Critical Attributes</a></li> <li>✓ <a href="#">CPS Framework for Teaching Professional Learning Modules</a></li> <li>✓ <a href="#">CPS Framework for Teaching Professional Learning Opportunities</a></li> <li>✓ <a href="#">Special Education Addendum</a></li> <li>✓ <a href="#">English Language Learner Addendum</a></li> </ul>

### 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.

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Individual teachers and teacher teams have access to real-time data after each assessment such as (Study Island, Map Skills, Pearson Realize, Dibels, mClass math, TRC, Burst, Reach Assessment, NWEA, Unit Tests, teacher generated tests, weekly reading selection and math tests, and IAA) to analyze and use to drive instruction. Teachers are also provided with their classroom, departmental and school-wide data by administration. Teachers design interim assessments via Study Island to address the academic needs of all students differentiating instruction including diverse learners using quick checks, quick reads, PARCC practice and the IBO/OCC global component and with support from the [kc.cps.edu](http://kc.cps.edu). Teachers utilizes Network 10's CCCSS Blueprint to design lessons and units. Teachers utilize gradebook and assessments as a progress monitoring tool on a weekly basis. Teachers submit weekly graded assessments and data from various technology programs to administration. All teachers utilize the district-wide grading policy with the exception of grades that are to be modified according to individualized IEP's.

### 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.

## Evidence, Measures, and Standards

EVIDENCE, MEASURES, AND STANDARDS	
Suggested Evidence	✓ Examples of a variety of teacher created and teacher selected assessments
	✓ Units and lesson plans with formative and summative assessments embedded in a long term plan
	✓ Evidence of assessment data analysis for the purpose of planning
	✓ 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	<a href="#">Curriculum &amp; Instruction</a>
CPS Framework for Teaching	<a href="#">1c. Selecting Learning Objectives</a>
	<a href="#">1a. Designing Student Assessment</a>
	<a href="#">3d. Using Assessment in Instruction</a>
	<a href="#">4a. Reflecting on Teaching &amp; Learning</a>
	<a href="#">4b. Maintaining Accurate Records</a>
CPS Performance Standards for School Leaders	81. Implements Curricular Scope and Sequence and Reviews Instructional Practices
Now What? Materials to Support Improvement Planning	
✓	<a href="#">CPS Balanced Assessment Framework &amp; Assessment Models</a>
✓	<a href="#">Assessment Design Toolkit</a>
✓	<a href="#">Teacher Made Assessment Basics</a>
✓	<a href="#">Grading principals and guidelines</a>
✓	<a href="#">Great Schools Partnership –Grading + Reporting</a>

### 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.

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Recent data is analyzed in ILT meetings and reviewed in grade level meetings. Additionally, administration meets with individual teachers, analyze data, supports teachers in creating plans and adjust for targeted instruction of all students. Esmond utilizes the MTSS process to screen and identify students who may be in need of academic and behavioral intervention. Students are provided academic intervention through inclusion, the resource teacher, paraprofessionals, extended day program, remediation and SES services. K-2 intensive students receive Burst Intervention throughout the school day as well. Teachers incorporate SEL into their daily curriculum using the 2nd Step Program. Students and all staff members attend and/or participate in the bi-weekly school-wide Morning Monday Meetings.

### 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.**

## Evidence, Measures, and Standards

EVIDENCE, MEASURES, AND STANDARDS	
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
	✓ Use of personalized learning rubric
Measures	✓ Evidence of On Track monitoring and supports
	✓ SQRP Attainment and Growth
	✓ Attendance Rates
Five Essentials	✓ Course success rates (e.g. grade distributions, pass/failure rates)
	Ambitious Instruction Collaborative Teachers Supportive Environment
CPS Framework for Teaching	<a href="#">1a. Demonstrating knowledge of content and pedagogy</a>
	<a href="#">1b. Demonstrating Knowledge of Students</a>
	<a href="#">1d. Designing Coherent Instruction</a>
	<a href="#">2d. Managing Student Behavior</a>
	<a href="#">3d. Using Assessment in Instruction</a>
CPS Performance Standards for School Leaders	<a href="#">3e. Demonstrating Flexibility and Responsiveness</a>
	<a href="#">4b. Maintaining Accurate Records</a>
	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.

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Teachers explain what, why, and how students will learn in the classroom by posting and presenting the aligned Common Core Standard and Objective for every lesson on a daily basis. They set the purpose for learning. Teachers also set high expectations for the students by establishing norms for class discussions, assignments and participation. They create a print rich leaning environment using anchor charts, process charts, independent learning task and Math Talks to serve as reminders and to guide students' thinking. Teachers utilize various forms of technology (Chrome Books, Elmo's, listening centers and videos) to enhance their teaching as well as to engage all students. Assignments offer rigor and relevance so that students can make real-life connections.

## 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.
- **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."

## Evidence, Measures, and Standards

Evidence, Measures, and Standards	
Suggested Evidence	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ Sample of individual student learning goals from a cross-section of teachers</li> <li>✓ Also review student work evidence from Rigorous Student Tasks</li> </ul>
Measures	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ Five Essentials – Ambitious Instruction</li> <li>✓ S2&amp;P Attainment and Growth</li> </ul>
Five Essentials	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Ambitious Instruction</li> <li>Collaborative Teachers</li> <li>Supportive Environment</li> </ul>
<a href="#">MTSS Framework Curriculum &amp; Instruction</a>	
CPS Performance Standards for School Leaders	C1. Creates a Culture that Supports Social Emotional Learning and Effective Effort
Now What? Materials to Support Improvement Planning	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ <a href="#">Teaching Adolescents: The Role of Non-cognitive Factors in Shaping School Performance</a></li> <li>✓ <a href="#">Framework for Teaching Companion Guide p. 50</a></li> <li>✓ <a href="#">Social Emotional Learning Supports (cps.edu/SEL)</a></li> <li>✓ <a href="#">ASCA Mindsets &amp; Behaviors</a></li> </ul>	

### 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.

### Score

1 2 3 4

The entire staff and all students attend and participate in bi-weekly, SEL Monday Morning Meetings where students showcase their talents and Kudos are given to celebrate the success of the staff and students. Relationships are strengthened through programs such as Community Partners and Century 21-After School Matters. Students with IEP's are included in all aspects of the school community and interact daily with their peers. The Social Worker also promotes respectful and fair interactions among the students and all staff members. In efforts to improve our practice, team members review and consistently analyze results as posted on our 5 essentials report.

## 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 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

EVIDENCE, MEASURES, AND STANDARDS	
Suggested Evidence	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ Five Essentials/My Voice, My School Survey</li> <li>✓ School Climate Standards Self-Assessment</li> </ul>
Measures	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ Five Essentials</li> </ul>
Five Essentials	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Collaborative Teachers</li> <li>Supportive Environment</li> </ul>
MTSS Framework	<a href="#">Shared Leadership, Family &amp; Community Engagement</a>
CPS Framework for Teaching	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1b. Demonstrating Knowledge of Students</li> <li>2a. Creating an Environment of Respect and Rapport</li> </ul>
CPS Performance Standards for School Leaders	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>D2. Creates, develops and sustains relationships that result in active student engagement in the learning process</li> <li>E1. Creates a Culturally Responsiveness Climate</li> </ul>
Now WHAT? Materials to Support Improvement Planning	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ <a href="#">Social Emotional Learning Supports (cps.edu/sel)</a></li> <li>✓ <a href="#">Trust in Schools: A Core Resource for School Reform (ASCD)</a></li> <li>✓ <a href="#">Creating a School Community (ASCD)</a></li> </ul>

### 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.

Score

1 2 **3** 4

Esmond provides students with a variety of online programs such as Study Island, Pearson Realize, Accelerated Reader, Map Skills, Moby Max and (Khan Academy) Learn Storm. Students show ownership for learning by attending the Century 21 Program, such as sports, Choir, Band, Step, Drama, performing arts, jewelry making, knitting, and cheerleading. In addition, students participate in completing the My Voice, My School survey on a yearly basis.

## 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.

## Evidence, Measures, and Standards

Evidence, Measures, and Standards	
Suggested Evidence	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ WVNS Student Survey completion rate and results</li> <li>▪ Minutes from student organizations and events (including SVCs)</li> <li>▪ Meeting minutes/agendas that include student participation</li> <li>▪ Policies regarding student engagement in decision making</li> <li>▪ Service learning reports and/or reflections of SL projects</li> <li>▪ Unit and curriculum maps, rubrics, assessment artifacts</li> <li>▪ Evidence of student work</li> <li>▪ Democracy School recognition</li> </ul>
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 2c. Engaging Students in Learning
CPS Performance Standards for School Leaders	D3. Utilize Feedback from Multiple Stakeholders for School Improvement
Content Standards	Illinois Social Science Standards, Illinois Social Emotional Learning Standards, CCSS ELA/NET Standards

### 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.

Score

1 2 **3** 4

Teachers provide all students with a safe and nurturing learning environment that address social and emotional learning, promotes positive decision-making and conflict resolution.

### 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.**

**Evidence, Measures, and Standards**

EVIDENCE, MEASURES, AND STANDARDS	
Suggested Evidence	✓ MVMS score – "Safety"
	✓ % of teachers proficient or distinguished in 2c (Management of Transitions) on the Framework for Teaching?
	✓ Examples of teacher practice improving in Domain 2 of the Framework for Teaching.
	✓ School Climate Standards Rubric/Assessment
Measures	✓ Five Essentials – Supportive Environment score
	✓ My Voice, My School Survey "Safety" score
Five Essentials	Supportive Environment
MTSS Framework	Curriculum & Instruction
CPS Framework for Teaching	2a. Creating an Environment of Respect and Rapport
	2c. Managing Classroom Procedures
	2d. Managing Student Behavior
CPS Performance Standards for School Leaders	A4. Creates a Safe, Clean and Orderly Learning Environment
NOW WHAT? MATERIALS TO SUPPORT IMPROVEMENT PLANNING	
	✓ <a href="#">Social Emotional Learning Supports (cps.edu/sel)</a>

**Restorative Approaches to Discipline:**

Score

1 2 **3** 4

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.

All classroom have rules, rewards and possible consequences posted along with Peace Centers where students may relax, reflect and redirect their behavior. MTSS is used to track students with ongoing behavioral challenges. We are strong supporters of SEL which is promoted and implemented throughout the school year along with the 2nd Step Curriculum. We were on a very positive trend that a school in Nashville Tennessee came to visit Esmond and watch one of our morning meetings. We adhere to the CPS Code of Conduct Policies. We also incorporate restorative justice practices, in school suspensions, and after-school detentions as an alternative to out of school suspensions when possible. School-wide student incentives are provided to encourage academic achievement and responsible behavior. We are consistently seeing positive trends and decreases in overall student infractions. Our Five Essential reports data has been beneficial in helping our team members evaluate our current and past practices to support all students need and strengthen our learning climate.

**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.

## Evidence, Measures, and Standards

EVIDENCE, MEASURES, AND STANDARDS	
Suggested Evidence	✓ Misconduct data (Dashboard)
Evidence	✓ 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
NOW WHAT? MATERIALS TO SUPPORT IMPROVEMENT PLANNING	
✓	CPS Restorative Practice Guide & Toolkit
✓	Guideline for Effective Discipline

### Parent and Family Partnership:

Score

1 2 **3** 4

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.

Esmond community is deeply invested in the progress and sustaining a quality school and programs for the community members in this area. Many are 3rd and 4th generation families in the school. They attend many parent educational workshops and attend some of our local school council meetings and teacher meetings as well. Our LSC and PAC community members are supportive of events and enjoy planning, learning and fun activities for all stakeholders in the community. Principal newsletters go home monthly to share and highlight current events regarding our school. We feature activities / programs such as, family night, field trips, parent teacher conferences, vision and dental screening, mobile unit visit campus to provide immunizations, local school council and parent PAC meetings, parent portal training and information, family learning /curriculum night, welcome back events as well as end of the school year events. Esmond has a community garden and a current website in which we are working to upload data and school news as often as possible to highlight our programs. Family and community involvement is expected and continue through participation in LSC and PAC as well as by volunteering at the school. Family curricula and parent information nights (reading, math, science, NWEA, PARCC) are held to engage parents in understanding the school's curricula and district-wide assessments. Parents and community are also provided regular opportunities to attend SEL Morning Meetings, student performances and exhibitions, award banquets, assemblies, Century 21, Grandparents' Day, Real-Men Read, School-Wide Spelling Bee, Carnival Day, Incentive Days and many more.

### 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.

## Evidence, Measures, and Standards

EVIDENCE, MEASURES, AND STANDARDS	
Suggested Evidence	✓ 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
	✓ Documentation of responsiveness to Parent Support Center concerns raised
	✓ Event agendas, flyers
Measures	✓ 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 Teaching	2c. Managing Classroom Procedures 4c. Communicating with Families
CPS Performance Standards for School Leaders	D1. Engages Families
NOW WHAT? MATERIALS TO SUPPORT IMPROVEMENT PLANNING	
✓	<a href="#">Parent Support Centers</a>
✓	<a href="#">Parent University</a>
✓	<a href="#">Parent Portal</a>

## School Excellence Framework Priorities

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

3	Expectations for Quality & Character of School Life: Safety & Order	1	2	3	4	5	<input type="radio"/>
3	Expectations for Quality & Character of School Life: Student Voice, Engagement, & Civic Life	1	2	3	4	5	<input type="radio"/>
4	Expectations for depth & breadth of Student Learning: Curriculum	1	2	3	4	5	<input type="radio"/>

Goals

Required metrics (Elementary)

18 of 18 complete

	2016-2017 Actual	2017-2018 Actual	2017-2018 SQRP Goal	2018-2019 SQRP Goal	2019-2020 SQRP Goal
<b>National School Growth Percentile - Reading</b>					
15th percentile (2 points) - Esmond will focus on monitoring students on a consistent basis, provide opportunities for professional developments, expose students to advanced vocabulary using word wisdom books, leveled readers, small grouping, differentiated instruction, and balanced literacy to exceed overall expectations.	88.00	15.00	25.00	40.00	70.00
<b>National School Growth Percentile - Math</b>					
24th percentile ( 2 points ) - Esmond will focus on monitoring students on a consistent basis, provide opportunities for professional developments, small grouping, differentiated instruction, math talks, implement a new math program, provide additional technology and implement technology based programs that are aligned to the CCSS to increase student achievement.	22.00	24.00	34.00	44.00	70.00
<b>% of Students Meeting/Exceeding National Ave Growth Norms</b>					
44.5 percent (2 points) - Esmond will focus on monitoring students on a consistent basis, provide opportunities for professional developments, expose students to advanced vocabulary using word wisdom books, leveled readers, balanced literacy, small grouping, differentiated instruction, math talks, implement a new math program, provide additional technology, implement technology based programs that are aligned to the CCSS to exceed overall expectations.	51.00	44.50	54.50	64.40	70.00
<b>African-American Growth Percentile - Reading</b>					
15th percentile (2 points) - Esmond will focus on monitoring students on a consistent basis, provide opportunities for professional developments, expose students to advanced vocabulary using word wisdom books, leveled readers, small grouping, differentiated instruction, and balanced literacy to exceed overall growth.	88.00	17.00	15.00	44.00	70.00
<b>Hispanic Growth Percentile - Reading</b>					
N/A	(Blank)	(Blank)	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>English Learner Growth Percentile - Reading</b>					
N/A	(Blank)	(Blank)	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>Diverse Learner Growth Percentile - Reading</b>					
17th percentile (2 points) - Esmond will focus on monitoring students on a consistent basis, diverse learner teacher will collaborate with general ed teacher consistently, provide opportunities for professional developments, expose students to advanced vocabulary using word wisdom books, leveled readers, small grouping, differentiated instruction, and balanced literacy to meet overall growth.	(Blank)	(Blank)	17.00	30.00	50.00
<b>African-American Growth Percentile - Math</b>					

24th percentile (2 points) - Esmond will focus on monitoring students on a consistent basis, provide opportunities for professional developments, small grouping, differentiated instruction, math talks, implement a new math program, provide additional technology and implement technology based programs that are aligned to the CCSS to increase student growth.

20.00 24.00 34.00 44.00 50.00

**Hispanic Growth Percentile - Math**

N/A

(Blank) (Blank) 0.00 0.00 0.00

**English Learner Growth Percentile - Math**

N/A

(Blank) (Blank) 0.00 0.00 0.00

**Diverse Learner Growth Percentile - Math**

20th percentile (2 points) - Esmond will focus on monitoring students on a consistent basis, diverse learner teacher will collaborate with general ed teacher consistently, provide opportunities for professional developments, small grouping, differentiated instruction, math talks, implement a new math program, provide additional technology and implement technology based programs that are aligned to the CCSS to increase student growth.

(Blank) (Blank) 20.00 30.00 40.00

**National School Attainment Percentile - Reading (Grades 3-8)**

37th percentile (2 points) - Esmond will focus on monitoring students on a consistent basis, provide opportunities for professional developments, expose students to advanced vocabulary using word wisdom books, leveled readers, small grouping, differentiated instruction, and balanced literacy to exceed overall expectations.

55.00 37.00 57.00 60.00 70.00

**National School Attainment Percentile - Math (Grades 3-8)**

17th percentile (2 points) - Esmond will focus on monitoring students on a consistent basis, provide opportunities for professional developments, small grouping, differentiated instruction, math talks, implement a new math program, provide additional technology and implement technology based programs that are aligned to the CCSS to increase student achievement.

25.00 17.00 40.00 40.00 45.00

**National School Attainment Percentile - Reading (Grade 2)**

45th percentile (3 points) - Esmond will focus on monitoring students on a consistent basis, provide opportunities for professional developments, expose students to advanced vocabulary using word wisdom books, leveled readers, small grouping, differentiated instruction, and balanced literacy to exceed overall expectations.

38.00 45.00 55.00 65.00 70.00

**National School Attainment Percentile - Math (Grade 2)**

30th percentile (2 points) - Esmond will focus on monitoring students on a consistent basis, provide opportunities for professional developments, small grouping, differentiated instruction, math talks, implement a new math program, provide additional technology and implement technology based programs that are aligned to the CCSS to increase student achievement.

9.00 30.00 39.00 49.00 51.00

**% of Students Making Sufficient Annual Progress on ACCESS**

N/A

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**Average Daily Attendance Rate**

94th percentile (3 points) - Esmond will implement and execute an attendance action plan for individual classes, appoint staff member who will monitor daily attendance, provide incentives for excellent attendance, immediate notification to parents when their child is absent so the school will earn 4 or 5 points on SQRP. Improved attendance will lead to overall increased student achievement.

93.80 94.00 95.50 96.00 96.50

**My Voice, My School 5 Essentials Survey**

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Custom metrics

0 of 0 complete

2016-2017 Actual	2017-2018 Actual	2017-2018 SQRP Goal	2018-2019 SQRP Goal	2019-2020 SQRP Goal
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**Strategies**

**Strategy 1**

If we do...

...then we see...

...which leads to...

A thorough review and analysis of high quality materials in core instructional areas that are research proven to challenge students thinking while offering them a variety of learning opportunities from scaffold, high quality experiences that will also ensure materials and include technology that is an integral part to students' learning experiences.

cohesiveness across all grade levels with a seamless alignment to the CCSS, increased fidelity and rigor in instruction, teachers using data to better understand student needs and address areas of concerns.

a change in instructional practice across all grade levels based on an analysis of student data. This will also increase vertical alignment across all grade levels and strong evidence of student mastery, which will ultimately lead to more students exceeding standards and attaining growth.

Tags:

Instruction, Differentiated instruction, Progress monitoring, Instructional materials, Academic rigor, Agency, authority identity

Area(s) of focus:

1

Action step

Responsible

Timeframe

Status

Provide professional development and schedule time for collaboration of best practices and data review. Core teams continuously monitor progress and provide support through interventions to address students' needs.

Administration  
ILT, Teachers

Jul 1, 2018 to  
Jun 19, 2019

On-Track

**Professional development, Best practice, Peer observation, Peer coaching**

**Strategy 2**

If we do...

...then we see...

...which leads to...

Esmond will develop a culture for learning where all students can learn and develop leadership roles in meeting or exceeding learning expectations. Tasks that reflect the depth of knowledge expectations are integrative and draws on critical thinking and reasoning.

teachers across grade levels assigning rigorous task that will require students to develop critical thinking skills, understand reasoning and persevere.

teachers becoming facilitators as student ambassadors take on leadership roles and assume greater responsibility for high quality targeted work in all content areas

Tags:

Core Instruction, Progress monitoring, Data analysis, Rigorous student tasks, Agency, authority and identity

Area(s) of focus:

2

Action step

Responsible

Timeframe

Status

Teachers will provide students with daily opportunities with online learning from technology programs aligned to core curriculum standards that enable students to develop independent practice and perseverance.

Teachers

Jul 1, 2018 to  
Jun 19, 2019

On-Track

**Data analysis, Perseverance, Online programs, Agency, authority identity, Independent practice**

### Strategy 3

If we do...

Utilize multiple assessments to inform instruction. Teachers and team members will have access to analyzing data that reflect key shifts in literacy and mathematics. Teachers will work in collaboration with IB Coordinator, grade level team and through DDI Cycles, to improve continuity. Teachers will participate in professional developments from district and network to use common protocols for effective grading. Esmond team will make instructional decisions by using clearly defined cross curricular, content standards and learning objectives.

...then we see...

cohesiveness at Esmond School across all grade levels with a clear alignment to CCSS. Teacher will have a better understanding of dis aggregated assessment results which will place them in a better position to inform instructional next steps. This promotes student Agency, Authority and Identity.

...which leads to...

strengthening of all teachers around more effective grade level discussions, increase in planning and preparation as outlined in Danielson's framework. This provides a deeper understanding of the DOK that will lead to growth and attainment at all levels.

Tags:

Balanced grading and assessment, Agency, authority and identity, Multiple assessments

Area(s) of focus:

3

Action step	Responsible	Timeframe	Status
Standards based grading scale with clearly defined weights with consistency across all grade levels to promotes success for all students.	Administration, ILT and teachers	Jul 1, 2018 to Jun 19, 2019	Not started
<b>Grading, Grading scale, Grading weights</b>			
Teachers will use Study Island, MAP Skills, Khan Academy and other measurement tools to assess present levels of student performance and plan next steps for instruction.	Teachers	Jul 1, 2018 to Jun 19, 2019	Not started
<b>Assessment, Student performance, Online programs</b>			
Administration and ILT will review current data (NWEA, REACH, PARCC Amplify ) to identify best practices to implement core curriculum..	Administration ILT	Jul 1, 2018 to Jun 19, 2019	Not started
<b>Assessment, Data analysis, Best practices</b>			

### Action Plan

#### Strategy 1

ON-TRACK

Provide professional development and schedule time for collaboration of best practices and data review. Core teams continuously monitor progress and provide support through interventions to address students' needs."

Jul 01, 2018 to Jun 19, 2019 - Administration ILT, Teachers

### Status history

Jun 14

ON-TRACK

Jun 14, 2018

#### Evidence

Informal and Formal Observations lesson plans grade level meetings learning walks data analysis from all assessments learning tools for instruction on kc.cps.edu



### Strategy 2

ON-TRACK

Teachers will provide students with daily opportunities with online learning from technology programs aligned to core curriculum standards that enable students to develop independent practice and perseverance."

Jul 01, 2018 to Jun 19, 2019 - Teachers

#### Status history



ON-TRACK

Jun 14, 2018

**Evidence**

Slice protocols to review student work Learning Walks Focus Groups and timely feedback and discussion with students

### Strategy 3

NOT STARTED

Standards based grading scale with clearly defined weights with consistency across all grade levels to promotes success for all students."

Jul 01, 2018 to Jun 19, 2019 - Administration, ILT and teachers

#### Status history



NOT STARTED

Jun 14, 2018

**Evidence**

BOY, MOY, EOY data analysis Gradebook Grading Policy

NOT STARTED

Teachers will use Study Island, MAP Skills, Khan Academy and other measurement tools to assess present levels of student performance and plan next steps for instruction."

Jul 01, 2018 to Jun 19, 2019 - Teachers

#### Status history



NOT STARTED

Jun 14, 2018

**Evidence**

Progress Monitoring

NOT STARTED

Administration and ILT will review current data (NWEA, REACH, PARCC Amplify ) to identify best practices to implement core curriculum.."

Jul 01, 2018 to Jun 19, 2019 - Administration ILT

#### Status history



NOT STARTED

Jun 14, 2018

**Evidence**

Assessment Calendar Grade Book ILT Agendas Minutes

## 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 approved plan, developed in consultation with teachers, administrators, and other appropriate personnel, and parents of the students 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 supplant 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.

Parents will receive invitations via school newsletter and website about upcoming open house, LSC and PAC meetings. These sessions will detail components of NCLB. Information will also be shared during local school council meetings, curriculum night, parent/teacher conferences and parent PAC meetings throughout the school year.

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

PAC team members in consultation with the principal, will create a calendar of dates outlined for community members indicating dates of meetings and items to be addressed. Members from the PAC and school team will share knowledge of Title 1 and related components. We will host special incentives and raffles to encourage parents to attend. We will also give bonus points, Esmond's store dollars or no homework passes to students when parents show up for meetings. We will work relentlessly to motivate our parents to attend. The Annual Title 1 and PAC Organizational Meetings were held on 10/16/2018.

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.

Esmond school community will provide multiple opportunities for parents to ask questions, raise concern, and give feedback. Ensuring all responses are conducted in a timely and professional manner. Our school community is deeply invested in the progress of sustaining a quality school and programs for our parents and family members.. Many are 3rd and 4th generation families in the school. They attend many parent educational workshops, local school council meetings as well as teacher meetings. Our LSC and PAC community members are events and enjoy planning learning and fun activities for all stakeholders in the community.

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.

Use a variety of consistent communication methods (e.g. calls, text, newsletter, website, face to face) sensitive to cultural norms and needs. Regularly inform parents of the child's progress across all relevant measures: attendance, discipline, academics, social-emotional learning and health and wellness. Send regular, positive, personalized communication from staff members.

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.

All Esmond teachers are highly qualified. In the event that should occur, administration will send a note home indicating such temporary action is taking place.

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.

Parent reports will be distributed to all parents upon the immediate receipt of them from administration. Information will be shared through family principal newsletters, family nights, local school council or PAC meetings, etc. Teachers will share information with parents as often as possible highlighting students' progress. Parents will receive passwords for the impact system that allows ongoing monitoring of students' performance.

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.

Inform parents of attendance expectations and the impact of attendance on a student's trajectory. Inform parents also of grade level standards, expectations and grading policies with a clear description of what meeting the standards look like. Promote the use of Parent Portal Parent University to connect and engage parents with our school's vision, mission and academic expectations. Share best practices around learning and development with parents to support students at home. Host events for parents to share with other parents how home and school complement each other. Assist parents to volunteer in school and or participate on teams/committees.

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.

The school develops strong parent partnerships characterized by involving parents in the instructional program, messaging expectations, fostering a better connection between the school and home. There are high levels of communication between schools and families by mutual and two way communication. The school provides opportunities for our families to volunteer, build its parent community and the school's operation through activities including but not limited to participation on parent councils. (e.g. PACs, BACs and PLNS)

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.

By the pre-school teacher and administration, invitations, weekly correspondence and the robo calling system will be used to invite parents out so they can learn about best ways to support their child's educational experiences. We will also invite guest from central office to share updates as well.

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.

Principal newsletter go home monthly to share and highlight current events regarding our school. We feature activities/programs such as family night, field trips, parent teacher conferences, vision and dental screening, mobile unit visit campus to provide immunizations, local school council and parent PAC meetings, parent portal training and information, family learning/ curriculum night, welcome back events as well as end of the school year events.

#### Policy Implementation Activities

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



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



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



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.)

Mission: Esmond's mission is to ensure that all students have a high quality, well rounded, educational experience. As an International Baccalaureate Middle Years School (IB), we work through joint collaborative efforts of the staff, students, parents, and community to incorporate a rigorous academic program, emphasizing inquiry based instruction. The stakeholders are committed to partnering with the community to help foster the ideals needed for our students to be global thinkers that are career and college ready.  
 Vision: Esmond's staff strives to develop All students' ability to think critically, solve problems, and use their knowledge to compete in the global market place. We want ALL Esmond students to achieve their maximum academic and social potential.

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.

During Parent-Teacher Conferences on November 14, 2018 and April 10, 2018, parents will be invited to students' classroom to have conferences with teachers individually. Meetings will highlight students' strengths and weaknesses. It will also describe suggestions for improvement and support for both parents and students.

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

Parents will have access to the CPS Parent Portal System that gives weekly updates to students' assignments as they are completed. Every five weeks, parents will receive official notification. However, most teachers will send home weekly updates with students' progress.

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

Parents will call and schedule meetings with teachers. Parents will be provided with teachers' email accounts and some teachers share their personal cell phone numbers.

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.

Parents will be invited to complete a volunteer package online through CPS Parent University and submit their identification to the main office. They will also receive an invitation from the classroom teacher for opportunities for recess, lunchroom and in class experiences.

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

Parents will assist their child's learning through phone conferences or visits to the school. They will be encouraged to assist their children with the completion of all homework and research projects. They can also view grades and progress through the parent portal system.

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 have 24 access to teachers' email accounts. Some have also exchanged cell phones numbers. They are welcomed to come into the school and meet with administration and schedule visits with the classroom teacher. Also, during local school council and PAC meetings, information will be shared.

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 are expected to exhibit positive behavior and come to school prepared to learn on a daily basis. We expect all students to have excellent attendance and serve as model students where they use a problem-solving approach to handle infractions in school and in consultation with school support staff.

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.

The school will continue to invite all parents to Open-House, Curriculum Night, Real-Men Read, Data Assessments Meetings, Jr. High Parent Meetings, School-Wide Spelling Bee Competition, Special Assemblies, Awards Ceremonies, Monday Morning Meetings, etc. Teachers will also continue to communicate with parents via newsletters, homework letters, emails, phone calls, notes and parent-teacher conferences. The school's website will be updated with pertinent information per grade level such as interactive websites, weekly foci, common core standards, reading and math tips, test-taking strategies, academic vocabulary words, etc.

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

Account(s)	Description	Allocation
51130, 52130	<b>Teacher Presenter/ESP Extended Day</b> For Teacher presenter, ESP Extended Day, please remember to put money on the benefits line. Non-Instructional pay rate applies.	\$ 500 .00
53405	<b>Supplies</b> In addition to supplies for parent program, please use this account to also purchase books for parents only. Use this account for equipment with a per unit cost of less than \$500.	\$ 200 .00
53205	<b>Refreshments</b> Allocation CAN NOT EXCEED 25% of the Parent Budget. Refreshments must be used for Title 1 PAC meetings, trainings and workshops.	\$ 200 .00
54125	<b>Consultants</b> 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)	\$ 200 .00
54505	<b>Admission and Registration Fees, Subscriptions and memberships</b> For Parents use only.	\$ 200 .00
<p>54205</p>	<b>Travel</b> 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.	\$ 200 .00
<p>54565</p>	<b>Reimbursements</b> 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.	\$ 100 .00
<p>53510</p>	<b>Postage</b> Must be used for parent and family engagement programs only.	\$ 100 .00
53306	<b>Software</b> Must be educational and for parent use only.	\$ 145 .00

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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.

\$	100	.00
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