LEALMAN INTERMEDIATE SIP 2013-14 EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Lealman Intermediate School has 367 students in grades 5.5 through 8.5, two administrators, 41 teachers, and 24 support staff members. The mission of Lealman Intermediate School is to promote student success by providing a unique learning environment that fosters academic and social growth.

To accomplish this mission, Lealman Intermediate School has 4 Goals:

- 1) Student achievement for each subject area will increase to meet AMO target for each student subgroup as teachers develop and purposefully implement rigorous, engaging, and differentiated lessons that align with the Common Core Standards.
- 2) Lealman students will increase their in seat time by 40% by decreasing the number of unexcused absences and discipline referrals resulting in suspensions and encourage students to make healthy choices.
- We will narrow the achievement gap between black and non-black students to our AMO 2014 targets;
- 4) We will work to increase parental involvement in school-wide activities by 43%.

The core instructional strategies included in our action plans are: utilizing data to differentiate and scaffolded instruction; using research-based strategies in core instruction (e.g., 5E, Gradual Release, Text Dependent Questioning, Collaboration, Overcoming Obstacles, Intensive Math and Reading, Content Enhancement,); and utilizing project-based learning in appropriate settings.

The professional development efforts include the use of the literacy team to train and guide teachers in differentiating and scaffolding instruction. We will continue to use team and department Professional Learning Communities to work collaboratively to drill down to the true need of the student. All teachers will continue to take district trainings for their subject area. The Assistant Principal and Principal will attend monthly sessions with other administrators to sharpen their skills as instructional leaders.

The parent involvement efforts are a challenge for our school as many parents work during the school day and during the evening hours. As a strategy to increase parental involvement, the school is hosting evening and weekend meetings featuring parent academies with our teachers leading instruction in their subject area. Healthy Step workshops will highlight activities to improve the physical and emotional abilities of our children, and a technology and assessment information will be embedded in the content area training night to highlight educational internet sites available to help parents and students remediate reading and math skills.

For more information about Lealman Intermediate School Improvement Plan, please go to our website at www.lealman-ms.pinellas.k12.fl.org