**Pinellas County Schools** 

# **Curtis Fundamental Elementary School**



2023-24 Schoolwide Improvement Plan (SIP)

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### **Curtis Fundamental Elementary**

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#### **SIP Authority**

Section 1001.42(18), Florida Statutes (F.S.), requires district school boards to annually approve and require implementation of a new, amended, or continuation SIP for each school in the district which has a school grade of D or F; has a significant gap in achievement on statewide, standardized assessments administered pursuant to s. 1008.22 by one or more student subgroups, as defined in the federal Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA), 20 U.S.C. s. 6311(b)(2)(C)(v)(II); has not significantly increased the percentage of students passing statewide, standardized assessments; has not significantly increased the percentage of students demonstrating Learning Gains, as defined in s. 1008.34, and as calculated under s. 1008.34(3)(b), who passed statewide, standardized assessments; has been identified as requiring instructional supports under the Reading Achievement Initiative for Scholastic Excellence (RAISE) program established in s. 1008.365; or has significantly lower graduation rates for a subgroup when compared to the state's graduation rate. Rule 6A-1.098813, Florida Administrative Code (F.A.C.), requires district school boards to approve a SIP for each Department of Juvenile Justice (DJJ) school in the district rated as Unsatisfactory.

Below are the criteria for identification of traditional public and public charter schools pursuant to the Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA) State plan:

#### **Additional Target Support and Improvement (ATSI)**

A school not identified for CSI or TSI, but has one or more subgroups with a Federal Index below 41%.

#### **Targeted Support and Improvement (TSI)**

A school not identified as CSI that has at least one consistently underperforming subgroup with a Federal Index below 32% for three consecutive years.

#### **Comprehensive Support and Improvement (CSI)**

A school can be identified as CSI in any of the following four ways:

- 1. Have an overall Federal Index below 41%;
- 2. Have a graduation rate at or below 67%;
- 3. Have a school grade of D or F; or
- 4. Have a Federal Index below 41% in the same subgroup(s) for 6 consecutive years.

ESEA sections 1111(d) requires that each school identified for ATSI, TSI or CSI develop a support and improvement plan created in partnership with stakeholders (including principals and other school leaders, teachers and parent), is informed by all indicators in the State's accountability system, includes evidence-based interventions, is based on a school-level needs assessment, and identifies resource inequities to be addressed through implementation of the plan. The support and improvement plans for schools identified as TSI, ATSI and non-Title I CSI must be approved and monitored by the school district. The support and improvement plans for schools identified as Title I, CSI must be approved by the school district and

Department. The Department must monitor and periodically review implementation of each CSI plan after approval.

The Department's SIP template in the Florida Continuous Improvement Management System (CIMS), <a href="https://www.floridacims.org">https://www.floridacims.org</a>, meets all state and rule requirements for traditional public schools and incorporates all ESSA components for a support and improvement plan required for traditional public and public charter schools identified as CSI, TSI and ATSI, and eligible schools applying for Unified School Improvement Grant (UniSIG) funds.

Districts may allow schools that do not fit the aforementioned conditions to develop a SIP using the template in CIMS.

The responses to the corresponding sections in the Department's SIP template may address the requirements for: 1) Title I schools operating a schoolwide program (SWD), pursuant to ESSA, as amended, Section 1114(b); and 2) charter schools that receive a school grade of D or F or three consecutive grades below C, pursuant to Rule 6A-1.099827, F.A.C. The chart below lists the applicable requirements.

SIP Sections	Title I Schoolwide Program	Charter Schools
I-A: School Mission/Vision		6A-1.099827(4)(a)(1)
I-B-C: School Leadership, Stakeholder Involvement & SIP Monitoring	ESSA 1114(b)(2-3)	
I-E: Early Warning System	ESSA 1114(b)(7)(A)(iii)(III)	6A-1.099827(4)(a)(2)
II-A-C: Data Review		6A-1.099827(4)(a)(2)
II-F: Progress Monitoring	ESSA 1114(b)(3)	
III-A: Data Analysis/Reflection	ESSA 1114(b)(6)	6A-1.099827(4)(a)(4)
III-B: Area(s) of Focus	ESSA 1114(b)(7)(A)(i-iii)	
III-C: Other SI Priorities		6A-1.099827(4)(a)(5-9)
VI: Title I Requirements	ESSA 1114(b)(2, 4-5), (7)(A)(iii)(I-V)-(B) ESSA 1116(b-g)	

Note: Charter schools that are also Title I must comply with the requirements in both columns.

#### **Purpose and Outline of the SIP**

The SIP is intended to be the primary artifact used by every school with stakeholders to review data, set goals, create an action plan and monitor progress. The Department encourages schools to use the SIP as a "living document" by continually updating, refining and using the plan to guide their work throughout the year. This printed version represents the SIP as of the "Date Modified" listed in the footer.

#### I. School Information

#### School Mission and Vision

#### Provide the school's mission statement.

The staff of Curtis Fundamental Elementary will partner with students, parents, and the community to create and maintain a quality and safe learning environment enabling each student to succeed.

#### Provide the school's vision statement.

100% Student Success

#### School Leadership Team, Stakeholder Involvement and SIP Monitoring

#### **School Leadership Team**

For each member of the school leadership team, select the employee name and email address from the dropdown. Identify the position title and job duties/responsibilities as it relates to SIP implementation for each member of the school leadership team.:

Name	Position Title	Job Duties and Responsibilities
Knight, Richard	Principal	Principal
Johnson, Jennifer	Teacher, K-12	Grade 3 Classroom Teacher

#### Stakeholder Involvement and SIP Development

Describe the process for involving stakeholders (including the school leadership team, teachers and school staff, parents, students (mandatory for secondary schools) and families, and business or community leaders) and how their input was used in the SIP development process. (ESSA 1114(b)(2))

Note: If a School Advisory Council is used to fulfill these requirements, it must include all required stakeholders.

School Team and SAC Chair met to develop our School Improvement Plan.

#### **SIP Monitoring**

Describe how the SIP will be regularly monitored for effective implementation and impact on increasing the achievement of students in meeting the State's academic standards, particularly for those students with the greatest achievement gap. Describe how the school will revise the plan, as necessary, to ensure continuous improvement. (ESSA 1114(b)(3))

Leadership Team will meet monthly to review and discuss our SIP goals and how we are moving forward with action plans. Plans will be amended as needed.

Demographic Data	
2023-24 Status (per MSID File)	Active
School Type and Grades Served	Other School
(per MSID File)	KG-5

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Primary Service Type	K-12 General Education
(per MSID File)	N-12 General Education
2022-23 Title I School Status	No
2022-23 Minority Rate	26%
2022-23 Economically Disadvantaged (FRL) Rate	23%
Charter School	No
RAISE School	Data will be uploaded when available
2021-22 ESSA Identification	N/A
Eligible for Unified School Improvement Grant (UniSIG)	No
2021-22 ESSA Subgroups Represented	
(subgroups with 10 or more students)	
(subgroups below the federal threshold are identified with an asterisk)	
	2021-22: A
	2020-21: A
School Grades History	2019-20: A
	2018-19: A
	2017-18: A
School Improvement Rating History	
DJJ Accountability Rating History	
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#### **Early Warning Systems**

## Using 2022-23 data, complete the table below with the number of students by current grade level that exhibit each early warning indicator listed:

Indicator				Grade Level										
indicator	K	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	Total				
Absent 10% or more days	0	4	3	2	4	4	0	0	0	17				
One or more suspensions	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0					
Course failure in English Language Arts (ELA)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0					
Course failure in Math	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0					
Level 1 on statewide ELA assessment	0	0	0	0	4	0	0	0	0	4				
Level 1 on statewide Math assessment	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0					
Number of students with a substantial reading deficiency as defined by Rule 6A-6.0531, F.A.C.	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0					

Using the table above, complete the table below with the number of students by current grade level that have two or more early warning indicators:

Indicator	Grade Level										
	K	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	Total	
Students with two or more indicators	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	

Using the table above, complete the table below with the number of students identified retained:

Indicator			Grade Level											
	K	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	Total				
Retained Students: Current Year	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1				
Students retained two or more times	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0					

#### Prior Year (2022-23) As Initially Reported (pre-populated)

#### The number of students by grade level that exhibited each early warning indicator:

Indicator		Grade Level											
indicator	K	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	Total			
Absent 10% or more days	18	6	8	11	12	7	0	0	0	62			
One or more suspensions	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0				
Course failure in ELA	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0				
Course failure in Math	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0				
Level 1 on statewide ELA assessment	0	0	0	4	8	2	0	0	0	14			
Level 1 on statewide Math assessment	0	0	0	3	7	1	0	0	0	11			
Number of students with a substantial reading deficiency as defined by Rule 6A-6.0531, F.A.C.	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1			

#### The number of students by current grade level that had two or more early warning indicators:

Indicator		Total								
Indicator	K	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	Total
Students with two or more indicators	0	0	0	1	1	1	0	0	0	3

#### The number of students identified retained:

Indicator	Grade Level											
indicator	K	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	Total		
Retained Students: Current Year	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1		
Students retained two or more times	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0			

#### Prior Year (2022-23) Updated (pre-populated)

Section 3 includes data tables that are pre-populated based off information submitted in prior year's SIP.

#### The number of students by grade level that exhibited each early warning indicator:

Indicator		Grade Level										
mulcator	K	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	Total		
Absent 10% or more days	18	6	8	11	12	7	0	0	0	62		
One or more suspensions	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0			
Course failure in ELA	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0			
Course failure in Math	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0			
Level 1 on statewide ELA assessment	0	0	0	4	8	2	0	0	0	14		
Level 1 on statewide Math assessment	0	0	0	3	7	1	0	0	0	11		
Number of students with a substantial reading deficiency as defined by Rule 6A-6.0531, F.A.C.	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1		

#### The number of students by current grade level that had two or more early warning indicators:

Indicator	Grade Level									Total
Indicator	K	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	Total
Students with two or more indicators	0	0	0	1	1	1	0	0	0	3

#### The number of students identified retained:

Indicator	Grade Level									
Indicator	K	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	Total
Retained Students: Current Year	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Students retained two or more times	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	

#### II. Needs Assessment/Data Review

#### ESSA School, District and State Comparison (pre-populated)

Please note that the district and state averages shown here represent the averages for similar school types (elementary, middle, high school or combination schools). Each "blank" cell indicates the school had less than 10 eligible students with data for a particular component and was not calculated for the school.

#### District and State data will be uploaded when available.

Accountability Component		2022			2021		2019			
Accountability Component	School	District	State	School	District	State	School	District	State	
ELA Achievement*	84			82			82			
ELA Learning Gains	74			63			81			
ELA Lowest 25th Percentile	67			67			79			
Math Achievement*	92			88			86			
Math Learning Gains	80			83			78			
Math Lowest 25th Percentile	77			67			67			
Science Achievement*	86			77			78			

Accountability Component	2022				2021				
Accountability Component	School	District	State	School	District	State	School	District	State
Social Studies Achievement*									
Middle School Acceleration									
Graduation Rate									
College and Career Acceleration									
ELP Progress									

<sup>\*</sup> In cases where a school does not test 95% of students in a subject, the achievement component will be different in the Federal Percent of Points Index (FPPI) than in school grades calculation.

See Florida School Grades, School Improvement Ratings and DJJ Accountability Ratings.

#### **ESSA School-Level Data Review (pre-populated)**

2021-22 ESSA Federal Index	
ESSA Category (CSI, TSI or ATSI)	N/A
OVERALL Federal Index – All Students	80
OVERALL Federal Index Below 41% - All Students	No
Total Number of Subgroups Missing the Target	0
Total Points Earned for the Federal Index	560
Total Components for the Federal Index	7
Percent Tested	100
Graduation Rate	

#### **ESSA Subgroup Data Review (pre-populated)**

	2021-22 ESSA SUBGROUP DATA SUMMARY											
ESSA Subgroup	Federal Percent of Points Index	Subgroup Below 41%	Number of Consecutive years the Subgroup is Below 41%	Number of Consecutive Years the Subgroup is Below 32%								
SWD	61											
ELL												
AMI												
ASN												

	2021-22 ESSA SUBGROUP DATA SUMMARY											
ESSA Subgroup	Federal Percent of Points Index	Subgroup Below 41%	Number of Consecutive years the Subgroup is Below 41%	Number of Consecutive Years the Subgroup is Below 32%								
BLK	69											
HSP	78											
MUL	81											
PAC												
WHT	81											
FRL	74											

Accountability Components by Subgroup

Each "blank" cell indicates the school had less than 10 eligible students with data for a particular component and was not calculated for the school. (pre-populated)

			2021-2	2 ACCOU	NTABILIT	Y COMPO	NENTS BY	SUBGRO	UPS			
Subgroups	ELA Ach.	ELA LG	ELA LG L25%	Math Ach.	Math LG	Math LG L25%	Sci Ach.	SS Ach.	MS Accel.	Grad Rate 2020-21	C & C Accel 2020-21	ELP Progress
All Students	84	74	67	92	80	77	86					
SWD	44	58		75	67							
ELL												
AMI												
ASN												
BLK	62	60		85	70							
HSP	86	69		83	75							
MUL	83	63		96	81							
PAC												
WHT	84	77	71	93	80	77	86					
FRL	72	67		84	64		83					

	2020-21 ACCOUNTABILITY COMPONENTS BY SUBGROUPS													
Subgroups	ELA Ach.	ELA LG	ELA LG L25%	Math Ach.	Math LG	Math LG L25%	Sci Ach.	SS Ach.	MS Accel.	Grad Rate 2019-20	C & C Accel 2019-20	ELP Progress		
All Students	82	63	67	88	83	67	77							
SWD	56			67										
ELL					-		-							

	2020-21 ACCOUNTABILITY COMPONENTS BY SUBGROUPS													
Subgroups	ELA Ach.	ELA LG	ELA LG L25%	Math Ach.	Math LG	Math LG L25%	Sci Ach.	SS Ach.	MS Accel.	Grad Rate 2019-20	C & C Accel 2019-20	ELP Progress		
AMI														
ASN														
BLK	62			77										
HSP	83			78										
MUL	95			96										
PAC														
WHT	81	52	57	88	85	71	79							
FRL	83			74			40							

			2018-1	9 ACCOU	NTABILIT	Y COMPO	NENTS BY	SUBGRO	UPS			
Subgroups	ELA Ach.	ELA LG	ELA LG L25%	Math Ach.	Math LG	Math LG L25%	Sci Ach.	SS Ach.	MS Accel.	Grad Rate 2017-18	C & C Accel 2017-18	ELP Progress
All Students	82	81	79	86	78	67	78					
SWD	53	80	70	58	40	36						
ELL												
AMI												
ASN												
BLK	50			90								
HSP	74	90		78	60							
MUL	79			100								
PAC												
WHT	84	80	79	86	77	64	79					
FRL	65	86		76	82		69					

#### Grade Level Data Review- State Assessments (pre-populated)

The data are raw data and include ALL students who tested at the school. This is not school grade data. The percentages shown here represent ALL students who received a score of 3 or higher on the statewide assessments.

An asterisk (\*) in any cell indicates the data has been suppressed due to fewer than 10 students tested, or all tested students scoring the same.

School, District and State data will be uploaded when available.

#### III. Planning for Improvement

#### **Data Analysis/Reflection**

Answer the following reflection prompts after examining any/all relevant school data sources.

Which data component showed the lowest performance? Explain the contributing factor(s) to last year's low performance and discuss any trends.

Based on the 2022-2023 state testing, our lowest score this year was Science (78%). Contributing factors include inconsistency with VE instruction as our VE teacher was out on leave as well as absent.

Which data component showed the greatest decline from the prior year? Explain the factor(s) that contributed to this decline.

Based on the 2022-2023 state testing, our greatest decline was Science (86% to 78%). Contributing factors include inconsistency with VE instruction as our VE teacher was out on leave as well as absent.

Which data component had the greatest gap when compared to the state average? Explain the factor(s) that contributed to this gap and any trends.

All scores for Curtis were above the state averages.

Which data component showed the most improvement? What new actions did your school take in this area?

Although all scores for Curtis were above the state averages, we did not improve, based on percentages, in any area.

Reflecting on the EWS data from Part I, identify one or two potential areas of concern.

Continue to improve on attendance.

Rank your highest priorities (maximum of 5) for school improvement in the upcoming school year.

- 1- Increase Level 3-5 percentages in ELA, Math and Science
- 2- Continue to improve attendance (95.7%)
- 3- Increase usage of Guidelines for Success and PBIS program school wide

#### Area of Focus

(Identified key Area of Focus that addresses the school's highest priority based on any/all relevant data sources)

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#### #1. ESSA Subgroup specifically relating to Students with Disabilities

#### **Area of Focus Description and Rationale:**

Include a rationale that explains how it was identified as a crucial need from the data reviewed. One Area of Focus must be positive culture and environment. If identified for ATSI or TSI, each identified low-performing subgroup must be addressed.

The number of Students identified as students with Specific Learning Disabilities who scored level 3 and above on the ELA State Assessment decreased from the previous year.

#### Measurable Outcome:

State the specific measurable outcome the school plans to achieve. This should be a data based, objective outcome.

The number of Students identified as students with Specific Learning Disabilities who score level 3 and above on the ELA State Assessment will increase by 20%.

#### **Monitoring:**

Describe how this Area of Focus will be monitored for the desired outcome.

Teachers, VE Teacher and administration will review student data at PLC's and Data chats.

#### Person responsible for monitoring outcome:

[no one identified]

#### **Evidence-based Intervention:**

Describe the evidence-based intervention being implemented for this Area of Focus (Schools identified for ATSI, TSI or CSI must include one or more evidence-based interventions.)

Explicit and direct instruction; multi-sensory approach to all learning; utilize a systematic approach for the delivery of instruction

#### **Rationale for Evidence-based Intervention:**

Explain the rationale for selecting this specific strategy.

Multi-sensory instruction using visual, auditory, kinesthetic-tactile modalities in acquisition of reading skills. Direct and explicit instruction includes modeling of the skills along with guided practice until mastery is achieved; direct explanations and clearly explained skills comprises explicit instruction; teachers are clear, unambiguous, direct and visible—until students meet mastery. Systematic instruction includes breaking lessons into sequential and manageable steps that go from simple to complex skills.

#### Tier of Evidence-based Intervention

(Schools that use UniSIG funds for an evidence-based intervention must meet the top three levels of evidence as defined by ESSA section 8101(21)(A).)

Tier 1 - Strong Evidence

#### Will this evidence-based intervention be funded with UniSIG?

No

#### **Action Steps to Implement**

List the action steps that will be taken as part of this strategy to address the Area of Focus. Identify the person responsible for monitoring each step.

Provide Professional Development on Specially Designed Instruction

Monitor the use of appropriate practices and scaffolding to ensure students' needs are met Participate in professional development associated with utilizing a multi-sensory, direct, explicit way of teaching

#### #2. Instructional Practice specifically relating to ELA

#### **Area of Focus Description and Rationale:**

Include a rationale that explains how it was identified as a crucial need from the data reviewed. One Area of Focus must be positive culture and environment. If identified for ATSI or TSI, each identified low-performing subgroup must be addressed.

Deepen understanding of the Florida's B.E.S.T. ELA standards and benchmarks as a non-negotiable for improving student outcomes.

#### Measurable Outcome:

State the specific measurable outcome the school plans to achieve. This should be a data based, objective outcome.

Increase the number of students scoring level 3 and above on the final ELA FAST Assessment by 3%.

#### **Monitoring:**

Describe how this Area of Focus will be monitored for the desired outcome.

Administration and teachers will monitor student progress through PLC's and data chats on the FAST ELA Assessments from Cycle 1 and Cycle 2.

#### Person responsible for monitoring outcome:

Richard Knight (knightri@pcsb.org)

#### **Evidence-based Intervention:**

Describe the evidence-based intervention being implemented for this Area of Focus (Schools identified for ATSI, TSI or CSI must include one or more evidence-based interventions.)

Identifying critical content

#### **Rationale for Evidence-based Intervention:**

Explain the rationale for selecting this specific strategy.

As teachers become more skilled in this strategy, they will see remarkable changes in students' abilities to process and understand new content because they are able to identify which content is critical and understand how learned content scaffolds in complexity. A classroom of scholars identifies critical content within standards, but also studies, recognizes, and celebrates as knowledge grows increasingly more sophisticated.

#### Tier of Evidence-based Intervention

(Schools that use UniSIG funds for an evidence-based intervention must meet the top three levels of evidence as defined by ESSA section 8101(21)(A).)

Tier 1 - Strong Evidence

#### Will this evidence-based intervention be funded with UniSIG?

No

#### **Action Steps to Implement**

List the action steps that will be taken as part of this strategy to address the Area of Focus. Identify the person responsible for monitoring each step.

- Continue to deepen understanding of the vertical progression and standards design in order to understand what students are expected to master.
- Use state and district resources (such as the BEST ELA Standards and PCS Gold Document) to synthesize the benchmarks, benchmark clarifications, and appendices to fully understand the expected outcomes that carry the full weight of the standards.
- Purposefully combine/stack standards and benchmarks to support learning so that a benchmark is spotlighted and supporting benchmarks (such as ELA Expectations) that enhance instruction are incorporated in the lesson to meet the demands of the spotlighted benchmark.
- Teachers and administrators engage in Just-in-Time professional development (Module Roll-Outs) to

engage in backwards planning, deepen understanding of the BEST ELA Benchmarks, as well as lessons designed to support students as they meet the rigorous demands of the grade-level benchmarks

• Provide regular structures for planning/PLCs where teachers regularly engage in data/student work analysis as well as intellectual prep and lesson rehearsal including planning for scaffolds that address gaps in student learning.

#### #3. Instructional Practice specifically relating to Math

#### **Area of Focus Description and Rationale:**

Include a rationale that explains how it was identified as a crucial need from the data reviewed. One Area of Focus must be positive culture and environment. If identified for ATSI or TSI, each identified low-performing subgroup must be addressed.

Deepen understanding of the Florida's B.E.S.T. Standards for Mathematics as a non-negotiable for improving student outcomes.

#### Measurable Outcome:

State the specific measurable outcome the school plans to achieve. This should be a data based, objective outcome.

Increase the number of students scoring level 3 and above on the final Math FAST Assessment by 3%.

#### **Monitoring:**

Describe how this Area of Focus will be monitored for the desired outcome.

Administration and teachers will monitor student progress through PLC's and data chats on the FAST Math Assessments from Cycle 1 and Cycle 2.

#### Person responsible for monitoring outcome:

[no one identified]

#### **Evidence-based Intervention:**

Describe the evidence-based intervention being implemented for this Area of Focus (Schools identified for ATSI, TSI or CSI must include one or more evidence-based interventions.)

Establish mathematical goals to focus learning.

#### **Rationale for Evidence-based Intervention:**

Explain the rationale for selecting this specific strategy.

Shifting from simply stating a standard to communicating learning expectations ensures that goals are appropriate, challenging, and attainable. When goals are specific, revisited throughout the lesson and connect to other mathematics, they become clearer to students. Effective teaching of mathematics establishes clear goals for the mathematics students are learning, situates goals within learning progressions, and uses the goals to inform instructional decisions. Effective Mathematics Teaching Practices (Principles to Actions, NCTM 2014)

#### **Tier of Evidence-based Intervention**

(Schools that use UniSIG funds for an evidence-based intervention must meet the top three levels of evidence as defined by ESSA section 8101(21)(A).)

Tier 1 - Strong Evidence

#### Will this evidence-based intervention be funded with UniSIG?

No

#### **Action Steps to Implement**

List the action steps that will be taken as part of this strategy to address the Area of Focus. Identify the person responsible for monitoring each step.

- Teachers and administrators engage in Collaborative Planning (during or after school) utilizing the Best Instructional Guide to Mathematics (B1G-M) to support Implementation of the B.E.S.T. Standards and other instructional initiatives to analyze the benchmarks, benchmark clarifications, and appendices to fully understand the expected outcomes that carry the full weight of the standards.
- Teachers and administrators engage in Just-in-Time Content PD to learn what students are expected to master, including the vertical progression of standards, the horizonal alignment of standards,

Mathematical Thinking and Reasoning Standards (MTR's) and stages of fluency.

• Teachers and administrators collaborate to ensure purposeful peer feedback, engage in ongoing professional development, and develop understanding in PLC's to support the Florida B.E.S.T. Standards and promote strong alignment between standard, target and task.

#### **#4.** Instructional Practice specifically relating to Science

#### **Area of Focus Description and Rationale:**

Include a rationale that explains how it was identified as a crucial need from the data reviewed. One Area of Focus must be positive culture and environment. If identified for ATSI or TSI, each identified low-performing subgroup must be addressed.

Deepen the understanding of the Florida's State Academic Standards for Science (FSASS – previously named NGSSS) as a non-negotiable for improving student outcomes.

#### Measurable Outcome:

State the specific measurable outcome the school plans to achieve. This should be a data based, objective outcome.

Increase the number of students scoring a level 3 and above on the 5th grade Science Assessment from 78% to 83%.

#### **Monitoring:**

Describe how this Area of Focus will be monitored for the desired outcome.

5th grade student progress will be monitored through the enhanced (30-quesiton) unit assessments as well as student work in classrooms.

#### Person responsible for monitoring outcome:

Richard Knight (knightri@pcsb.org)

#### **Evidence-based Intervention:**

Describe the evidence-based intervention being implemented for this Area of Focus (Schools identified for ATSI, TSI or CSI must include one or more evidence-based interventions.)

Prior Ability

#### **Rationale for Evidence-based Intervention:**

Explain the rationale for selecting this specific strategy.

Activating and integrating prior knowledge is one of the most powerful teaching strategies. It is important to slow down, ask our students what they already know about the matter, and make important connections to what is to come. Understanding the scope and sequence of the science standards will provide teachers a larger picture of learning - past, present, and future.

#### Tier of Evidence-based Intervention

(Schools that use UniSIG funds for an evidence-based intervention must meet the top three levels of evidence as defined by ESSA section 8101(21)(A).)

Tier 1 - Strong Evidence

#### Will this evidence-based intervention be funded with UniSIG?

No

#### **Action Steps to Implement**

List the action steps that will be taken as part of this strategy to address the Area of Focus. Identify the person responsible for monitoring each step.

- During collaborative planning that occurs within school hours or after-school planning sessions, synthesize the benchmarks, benchmark clarifications, and content limits to fully understand the expected outcomes that carry the full weight of the standards.
- During collaborative planning that occurs within school hours or after-school planning sessions, engage in standards articulation to gain a deeper understanding of prior knowledge and future learning to support students' holistic understanding of the Big Ideas in science.
- Teachers and administrators engage in the just-in-time training they need to support implementation of the curriculum and other instructional initiatives already underway.

• Ensure professional development is content-focused, teacher and student-focused, instructionally relevant, and actionable.

Person Responsible: Richard Knight (knightri@pcsb.org)

#### #5. Positive Culture and Environment specifically relating to Other

#### **Area of Focus Description and Rationale:**

Include a rationale that explains how it was identified as a crucial need from the data reviewed. One Area of Focus must be positive culture and environment. If identified for ATSI or TSI, each identified low-performing subgroup must be addressed.

It was determined that the number of students receiving Warnings for not following fundamental policies has increase from the 2021-2022 to the 2022-2023 school year.

#### Measurable Outcome:

State the specific measurable outcome the school plans to achieve. This should be a data based, objective outcome.

The number of students receiving warnings for not following fundamental policies will decrease by 10% from last school year.

#### **Monitoring:**

Describe how this Area of Focus will be monitored for the desired outcome.

The number of warnings will be monitored by the principal and school counselor.

#### Person responsible for monitoring outcome:

Richard Knight (knightri@pcsb.org)

#### **Evidence-based Intervention:**

Describe the evidence-based intervention being implemented for this Area of Focus (Schools identified for ATSI, TSI or CSI must include one or more evidence-based interventions.)

Continued implementation of PBIS strategies and Guidelines for Success.

#### **Rationale for Evidence-based Intervention:**

Explain the rationale for selecting this specific strategy.

The use of PBIS and Guidelines for Success will allow students to focus on the positive aspects of our school and give reminders of our fundamental policies.

#### Tier of Evidence-based Intervention

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Tier 1 - Strong Evidence

#### Will this evidence-based intervention be funded with UniSIG?

No

#### **Action Steps to Implement**

List the action steps that will be taken as part of this strategy to address the Area of Focus. Identify the person responsible for monitoring each step.

- Review of Fundamental Policies with teachers, students and families.
- Review of Guidelines for Success in each classroom and area of the school at the beginning of the school year and ongoing.