

Executive Summary of Southern Oak Elementary's School Improvement Plan

Southern Oak Elementary School has 685 students grades Prek to 5th, two administrators, 71 instructional employees, and 32 staff members. The mission of Southern Oak Elementary is to educate and prepare each student for future success.

To accomplish this mission, Southern Oak has 6 Goals:

- 1) Our reading proficiency will meet or exceed state averages for reading achievement;
- 2) Our math proficiency will meet or exceed state averages for math achievement;
- 3) Our writing proficiency will meet or exceed state averages for writing achievement;
- 4) Increase science scores of all students in grades 3-5 from 63% to 70% on the FCAT;
- 5) Continue to close the achievement gap between Black and non-black students to our AMO 2016 targets. In reading, our goal is to increase scores to 63% for African American students. In math, our goal is to increase scores to 58% African American students meeting expectations;
- 6) Work towards bronze level recognition with the Alliance for a Healthier Generation

The core instructional strategies included in our action plans are: utilizing goals and scales, having students track their own individual progress, using research-based strategies in core instruction, and utilizing small group instruction to differentiate learning experiences.

The professional development efforts include ongoing support from the district instructional coaches in Jan Richardson, journaling in mathematics, and scales and rubric training in mathematics.

For more information about Southern Oak Elementary's School Improvement Plan, please go to our website at <http://www.southern-oak.pinellas.k12.fl.us/index.html>.