

# Clearwater Fundamental Middle School

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## **Executive Summary:** Clearwater Fundamental Middle School School Improvement Plan for 2016-2017

Clearwater Fundamental Middle School has 810 students in 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade, two administrators, 47 instructional staff members and 20 support employees. The mission of the Clearwater Fundamental community is to promote highest student achievement through cooperative efforts and a challenging curriculum. *Our Learning Lasts a Lifetime!* Clearwater Fundamental Middle School continues to meet the requirements of the AdvancED Accreditation Commission and is accredited by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Council on Accreditation and School Improvement.

### **School Celebrations**

A review of our most recent school achievement data has given us reasons to celebrate and build upon as a school. Those improvements include:

- 1.) Ranked as the #12 Middle School within the State of Florida.
- 2.) Florida school grade of "A" for the last 16 years.
- 3.) Highest ELA Achievement scores of all middle schools in Pinellas County.
- 4.) 100% passage rate for Geometry EOC and 98% for Algebra 1 Honors EOC.
- 5.) Highest Improvement in FCAT Science proficiency of all PCS middle schools (8%).
- 6.) National recognition through the Healthy Schools Alliance and *Let's Move!* Active Schools.
- 7.) 94 students earned an Industry Certification in Career and Technical Education.
- 8.) National and State recognition in the areas of performing and visual arts.

### **Primary Goals**

To accomplish our mission, Clearwater Fundamental Middle School has the following primary goals

- 1.) Increase the number of students meeting proficiency in ELA from 83% to 85% as measured by the FSA.
- 2.) Increase the number of students meeting proficiency in Math from 87% to 89% as measured by the FSA.
- 3.) Increase the number of students meeting proficiency in Science from 83% to 85%
- 4.) Increase the number of students meeting proficiency in Social Studies from 95% to 97% as measured by the Civics EOC.
- 5.) Close the achievement gap between black and non-black students by 3% in both ELA and Math as measured by the FSA.

### **Key Strategies**

The core instructional and monitoring strategies included in our action plans are:

- 1.) Teachers plan, develop and implement lessons based on the state standards and as aligned with the content area pacing guides.
- 2.) Teachers develop goals and scales with targets indicating how lessons will be delivered to meet the intended standards.

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- 3.) Students become agents of their learning – Driving an improvement in student achievement through facilitation of students tracking their progression of learning in a purposeful and constructive methodology.
- 4.) Teachers facilitate effective classroom discussions and tasks that elicit evidence of learning.
- 5.) Teachers utilize data to modify and adjust instructional practices and reflect on the needs and progress of students.

## **Professional Development**

The professional development efforts at Clearwater Fundamental Middle School include the continued implementation of the Marzano Framework. An emphasis is placed on standards based instruction to include scales which demonstrate rigorous coursework along with tracking, monitoring and reflection of student achievement. The school based leadership team is also working to develop a common language and understanding of the growth mindset and the impact on adolescent academic development.

## **Parent and Community Engagement**

Clearwater Fundamental Middle School is very proud of our accomplishment in earning the Five Star Golden School Award over the past several years. This award was presented to CFMS for demonstrating excellence in involving parents and community members into the daily functions of the school. In addition, 100% of our parents attend monthly PTA/SAC meetings and attend parent/teacher conferences as required.

For more information about Clearwater Fundamental Middle School and our School Improvement Plan, please go to our website at [www.pcsb.org/clearwaterfund-ms](http://www.pcsb.org/clearwaterfund-ms)