



Executive Summary: Curlew Creek Elementary School

School Improvement Plan for 2016-17



Curlew Creek Elementary School has 692 students in grades PreK to 5, two administrators, 74 teachers, and 44 staff members. The vision of Curlew Creek Elementary is 100% Student Success. The mission of our school is to prepare our students for Middle School, High School, College and Career by fostering positive relationships while providing rigorous and engaging learning experiences. Curlew Creek Elementary has met 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.) 4th grade improved its FSA ELA proficiency by 19 percent.
- 2.) 4th grade improved its FSA Math proficiency by 13 percent.
- 3.) Our school was recognized as a Five Star School.
- 4.) Our school was recognized by the National PTA as a School of Excellence.

Primary Goals

To accomplish our mission, Curlew Creek Elementary has the following primary goals.

- 1) Increase the percent of students who demonstrate proficiency on the Spring 2017 ELA FSA by 6 percent.
- 2) Increase the percent of students who demonstrate proficiency on the Spring 2017 Math FSA by 6 percent.
- 3) Increase the percent of students who demonstrate proficiency on the Spring 2017 Science FSA by 6 percent.
- 4) Close the achievement gap in ELA between black and non-black students by 20 percent.
- 5) Reduce the number of discipline referrals from 55 to no more than 40.
- 6) Work toward bronze level recognition with the Alliance for a Healthier Generation.

Key Strategies:

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

- Utilizing rigorous learning goals and performance scales.
- Small group instruction for differentiation (Before, during and after school)
- Increase student engagement by using effective engagement strategies enacted on the spot. (Marzano framework DQ 5)

Professional Development

Professional development efforts include teachers engaging in on-going professional development with district coaches, weekly professional learning communities, and training aligned to their individual professional growth plans. Teachers meet by grade levels in weekly Professional Learning Communities (PLC's) to conduct data chats to review student responses and work samples to inform instruction. Just in Time Mathematics coaching will focus on "Number Talks." Just in Time ELA coaching will focus on Jan Richardson's Guiding Reading and module planning. Just in Time Science coaching

will focus on unit planning and science notebooking. As result teachers will increase their content knowledge and use of high yield instructional strategies.

Parent and Community Engagement

Parent engagement is strong at Curlew Creek Elementary, however we continually strive to better parent involvement. This year we have established a Family Involvement Team. Our focus is to plan intentional events that are linked to student learning such as Principal Parent Teas, Student Led Conferences, Data Chats, Science Olympiad, and Cozy Up and Read Night to help parents be better prepared to assist their children at home.

For more information about Curlew Creek Elementary School's Improvement Plan, please go to our website at <http://www.pcsb.org/curlew-es>.