



## **Executive Summary: Pinellas Park Middle School**

### **School Improvement Plan for 2016-17**



Pinellas Park Middle School has 500 students grades 6 - 8, 4 administrators, 75 teachers, and 44 staff members. The mission of **Pinellas Park Middle School** is to provide a world class education for students, preparing them for High School graduation, post-secondary opportunities including college, vocational training and the world of work. Pinellas Park Middle School 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.) Our school remained a C school for second year in a row.
- 2.) Our school raised Math FSA scores by 7%
- 3.) Our school raised Science FCAT scores by 5%
- 4.) 92 received Technology Industry Certifications last year, tripling the amount of the previous year.
- 5.) Our School has a Cambridge Accelerated Learning program.

#### **Primary Goals**

To accomplish our mission, Pinellas Park Middle has the following primary goals (please provide 5-10 goals).

- 1) Close the achievement gap between underperforming subgroups and students who are meeting or exceeding expected learning gains by 25%.
- 2) Student achievement will increase by 8% in each targeted area to meet identified targets in each FSA, FCAT (Science) and EOC tested subject areas.
- 3) Black students will increase proficiency by 8% to meet identified targets in reading, math and science.
- 4) Reduce incidences of classroom disruptions by 20%
- 5) Reduce the percentage of discipline referrals for black students by 10%
- 6) Pinellas Park Middle School will work toward Bronze Level recognition with the Alliance for a Healthier Generation by obtaining Bronze in 4 out of 6 of the HSP Assessment Modules or 66% of HSP Modules.

#### **Key Strategies:**

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

- Classroom Management modeling in classrooms to create a Positive Behavior System that is used school-wide.
- Grade Level and subject common planning to create meaningful, differentiated and rigorous instruction.
- Using collaborative practices (AVID / WICOR) in all classrooms;
- Conducting data chats with students to support students with goal-setting based on data;
- Utilizing scales and rubrics aligned to a learning goal to assess and inform instruction.

## **Professional Development**

The professional development efforts include the use of the year long Marzano Framework with an emphasis on goal setting and scale development, the use of our PBS team to train and guide teachers in Classroom management and school-wide guidelines for success. Teachers meet in Professional Learning Communities (PLC's) to conduct data chats regularly to review student responses and work samples to inform instruction. Multi-cultural sensitivity, socio-economic and diversity trainings are planned for this school year.

## **Parent and Community Engagement**

Parent engagement efforts –

The leadership and staff of PPMS have a strong belief in the importance of parental involvement and therefore we put measures into place to offer parent meetings on flexible schedules. PPMS will offer activities at varied times and dates to endure an increase in parental involvement. These activities include but are not limited to: Back to School Night, Parent Teacher Conferences, Coffee with Counselors, Parent PORTAL night, Science and STEM night, Cambridge Discovery Night and I love Reading Week. We encourage our parents and community members to volunteer as mentors, tutors and chaperones.

For more information about Pinellas Park Middle School please go to our website at <http://www.pcsb.org/pp-ms>