



Executive Summary: John M. Sexton Elementary

School Improvement Plan for 2017-18

John M. Sexton Elementary School has 628 students grades Pre-k to 5th, two administrators, 50 instructional staff, and 18 support staff members. The mission of John M. Sexton Elementary is to engage and inspire our students for success. Sexton 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. Our school participated in the Nutri-bullet smoothie, and will offer smoothies as an option school wide for the 17-19 school year as fruit/vegetable choice.
2. 1st grade SAT 10 data showed a 19 point increase in ELA.
3. 1st grade SAT 10 data showed a 14 point increase in Math.
4. 2nd grade SAT 10 data showed a 5 point increase in Math.

Primary Goals

To accomplish our mission, John M. Sexton Elementary has the following primary goals.

- 1) Increase Reading scores to 50% of students reaching proficiency levels for each student subgroup;
- 2) Increase Mathematics scores to 50% of students reaching proficiency levels for each student subgroup;
- 3) Increase Science scores to 50% of students reaching proficiency levels for each student subgroup;
- 4) Close the achievement gap in ELA between black and non-black students by 50 percent.
- 5) Reduce the number and percent of discipline incidents for each student subgroup by 40%.
Increase communication of how families can support their students

Key Strategies:

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

- Provide standards based instruction with fidelity using Florida Standards and appropriate level of rigor.
- Provide differentiated instruction with fidelity to all students.
- Extended day by 30 minutes
- Dedicated intervention hour every morning

Professional Development

The professional development efforts include increasing teacher content knowledge and understanding of the standards, as well as incorporating culturally responsive strategies in to the classroom. Teachers will meet in Professional Learning Communities (PLC's) to conduct data chats bi-weekly to review student data to inform instruction.

Parent and Community Engagement

Parent engagement efforts are a challenge for our school as many parents work during the school day and work more than one job. In conjunction with our PTA we are going to incentivize families to participate in school activities by offering tickets for participation and quarterly prize drawings. Our family nights will be restructured and include a Math, Science and Wellness night in the fall and a Literacy and Multicultural night in the spring. Every other month SAC and PTA will combine meetings to increase attendance and school awareness.

For more information about Sexton's School Improvement Plan, please go to our website at <https://www.pcsb.org/sexton-es>.