

To: Mr. Mahoney & Board of Education
From: Kelli Virgil
Re: Board Report
Date: September 2017

School Improvement Plan FY 16:

SIP Goal 1 – ELA-Literacy & Math:

- Student Growth: 50% of all students will achieve or surpass their positive individual student-growth target based on local assessment data.

SIP Goal 2: Social/Emotional

- OES students will have an increased positive view of school and themselves.

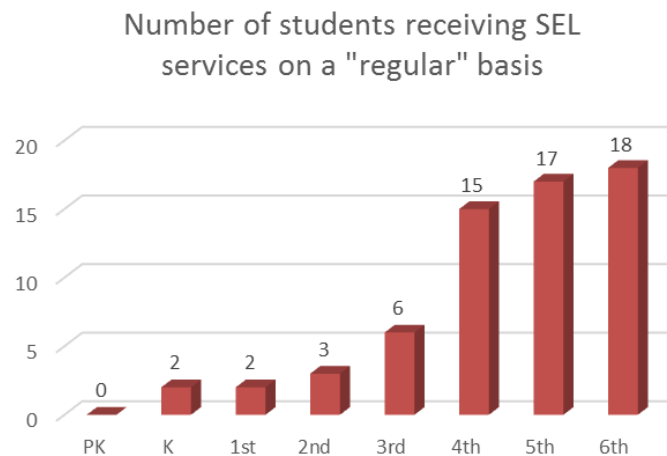
SIP Goal 3: Student-Created

- OES Students will feel more invested and engaged in the school community.

SIP Goal 4: Climate & Culture

- 60% of staff will agree that morale at OES is positive

Informal data: September report is included at the report's end.



Teaching & Learning:

September's Professional Development via the weekly Friday Focus and monthly staff meeting.

- Topics included:
 - Student-Centered Rooms
 - Working w/ Colleagues with Differing Opinions
 - Embracing Discomfort
 - Chapter 1 from *Game Changers* – "Understanding the Young Brain" discussed at staff meeting

Leadership & Learning Professional Development

- Data Teams resources:

- A new data template was created on Excel by Tim Bowerman. He will train the data team after school on October 4th at OES.
- Reminder: Dates are set for follow-up training with Kara:
 - Kara will be coming October 5-7, and February 15-17 to provide RCD/data teams support
 - October 5-7
 - Elementary: teams have sent Kelli agendas for their meetings with Kara and they were sent to Kara Sept. 29th.
 - February 15-17
 - February 15th penciled as a tentative day. Admin will let Kara know by Dec./Jan. if this day is going to be removed

Innovation:

- I READ:
 - First and second grade students have been meeting with their mentors since early September.
 - Kindergarten students will begin in October.
 - Lori Peterson, volunteer liaison, attended Open House to recruit volunteers. She has also met with various organizations and churches for recruiting.

Special Education:

- Co-teaching team planning is to occur October 18th/19th.
- A training utilizing the updated web-based IEP system will occur at OES. Other districts within the co-op who have interested parties will participate as well. This will be done via phone conference.

Response to Intervention (RtI):

- Benchmarking data meetings have occurred and identified students who are receiving Tier 2 and Tier 3 interventions in the areas of reading, math and behavior.

Summer Book Club:

- Students who are considered “at-risk” readers are asked to participate in the summer book club.
- Students are given eight books, one per week, over the summer. They are asked to write and send a stamped postcard to the teacher who oversees that grade level in the program.
- Report is attached.

Points of Interest:

- The new playground was delivered. A fence has been placed around the area and installation is to occur within the next week.

- OES hosted an information LGBTQ meeting after school. There were approximately 30 people in attendance. Staff from the junior high attended as well. The meeting was facilitated by Samantha Buss-Yingling, OCEC social worker and the president of the local PFLAG (Parent and Friends of Lesbians and Gays) group.

Grade level updates:

- Kindergarten – Released their class butterflies at Park West
- First Grade-
 - Worked together on revising the writing rubric from the writing committee to implement with their writing assessments
 - Beginning their end of unit comprehension checks for our literature text features RCD unit
 - Have begun working on subtraction facts with the students
- Second Grade – no report
- Third Grade - no report
- Fourth Grade - On September 22-23 fourth grade classes participated in their annual Chana School trip. This event has become a part of an RCD unit developed by the grade. During the trip, students are able to experience what school would have been like for a child their age at the turn of the 20th century. Upon returning, students will use the experience as a basis for learning the skill of making comparisons.
- Fifth Grade –
 - Ag Day Field Trip at Ogle County Fairgrounds
 - Participated with the University of Illinois Extension in Ogle County for a *Walk Across Illinois 4-H* project held Thursday, September 29th and Friday, the 30th.
 - This is the Health Jam event that 5th grade has participated in annually.
 - Students had one day of presentations hosted at OES. Various health care professionals shared information with students
 - There was one day of visiting KSB Hospital
- Sixth Grade – Camp Ross Outdoor Education Field Trip

Current Enrollment as of October 3, 2016:

PreK	51
Kindergarten	82
First	95
Second	101
Third	112
Fourth	117
Fifth	105
Sixth	119
Total	782

Discipline data:

Note: I have left FY numbers as a comparison to the current year data. (FY16/FY17)

Although this information is not being monitored as a SIP goal, it has been included simply as a point of reference.

Aug. Sept. Oct. Nov. Dec. Jan. Feb. Mar. Apr. May
Totals

Major	16/2	42/21	56	50	40	54	47	69	55	49	499
Minor	17/9	80/48	105	82	51	72	119	110	85	49	788
Total	33/11	122/67	161	132	91	122	157	179	140	98	1287

The OES Open House occurred on September 22nd. During the night, students from all grade levels and their families had an opportunity to tour the school and visit the book fair.

The book fair at OES was held during the week of September 19th, culminating on the 22nd at Open House.

- The “All for Books” coin drive took place again this year for K-2. All proceeds are split amongst teachers so that they can purchase new books for their classroom libraries.
- Ms. Arends class won the coin drive challenge, bringing in \$127. They then were able to have “Sundaes with Superstars” with five OHS football players who read stories while they enjoyed ice cream.

Our school-wide fundraiser kicked off on September 19th. It is set to wrap up October 11th. Based on preliminary numbers, this has the potential to be one of our best fundraiser years in the past half-decade. Final details will be included in next month’s report.