

Strategic Plan- Principal's Annual Summary for the 2018-19 School Year Point Pleasant Elementary School

At Point Pleasant Elementary School, we deeply value and are highly proud of our schoolwide PBIS motto, RISE. The guiding principles of Respect, Integrity, Safety, & Effort lay the foundation for positive behavior choices, positive behavior supports, and team unity amongst all staff members. In our 3rd year as an AVID Elementary School, we were recognized for our consistent and well-implemented AVID structures and teaching strategies which created the beginnings of a sound foundation for increasing academic success. During the 2018-2019 school year, we earned AVID National Certified School status and were chosen as an AVID Showcase School! In a targeted and intentional manner, we focused our 2018-2019 school year on the following Indicators of Success:

- Increase the percentage of students who read on or above grade level by the end of second grade (Indicator 5)
 - *75% of K-5 Students Met or Exceeded in 2017-2018*
- Increase the percentage of students in grades 3-8 who meet or exceed expectations on standardized reading, language arts, and mathematics assessments (Indicator 6)
 - *PARCC 2017-2018: 37% ELA, 24% Math earned a Performance Level Descriptor 4 or 5*
- Increase the use of restorative practices in schools and offices (Indicator 3)
 - *34 Discipline Referrals in 2017-2018*
- Increase the percentage of students attending school on a daily basis (Indicator 10)
 - *85% of students present 163 days or more out of 181*

During the 2018-2019 school year, Point Pleasant Elementary School made great strides in our intentional and focused work linked to the above-noted Indicators of Success. Over 70% of our Kindergarten through 5th grade students met or exceeded

their F&P reading level target. Additionally, we demonstrated continued progress with our PARCC English Language Arts and Mathematics scores. In English Language Arts over 38% of our 3rd- 5th grade students earned a 4 or 5 (Meeting or Exceeding Grade Level Expectations), which is a 1% increase from the 2017-2018 school year. In Mathematics, 27% of our 3rd - 5th grade students earned a 4 or 5, which is a 3% increase from the 2017-2018 school year. We continue to grow our literacy and mathematics learning at PPES!

Our continued work linked to our PBIS RISE initiative and Restorative Practices Community Building Circles led to a very sharp decrease in discipline referrals with only 20 total referrals for the 2018-2019 school year. We are dedicated to positive behavior approaches and restorative practices, and this commitment is working well and continually progressing. Our attendance initiative led to a very significant decrease in students who were chronically absent (18 or more absences). We went from 80 total chronically absent students to 50 because of our well-developed attendance initiatives and proactive approach to daily school attendance.

As we move into the 2019-2020 school year, Point Pleasant Elementary School will continue to RISE for our Panther students and families. We are fully dedicated to Our 2019-2020 goals and will continue to implement school wide Pre-K-5 AVID, strengthen community support and academic achievement through an AVID lens, and create a fully comprehensive high-quality AVID experience for all school community members.

We Are Point Pleasant, We Are Panthers, We Are AVID Ready!

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