

Waite Park SIP Overview 2014-2015

Waite Park Community School, an elementary school in NE Minneapolis, strives to create the foundation to ensure every child can be college and career ready.



Mission Statement

The learning community at Waite Park envisions a safe and welcoming school that achieves academic excellence in a dynamic diverse learning environment. We will achieve these through:

- ◆ Strong connections to a trusting and supportive community
- ◆ High expectations for instruction and learning
- ◆ Nurturing and positive relationships
- ◆ Students making connections with real world learning

Vision Statement

At Waite Park:

We support students' growth into becoming Knowledgeable, skilled and confident citizens capable of succeeding in their work as well as succeeding in their personal and family lives into the 21st century.

School Improvement Plan

SIP Overview

The SIP goals drive the schools and help decide:

- ◆ Staff Development
- ◆ PDPLC cycles (teams of teachers work on various topics)

The 3 'BIG' goals of the SIP

💧 **Reading**

- 💧 Increase reading scores by 5-8 % each year for the next 3 years.

💧 **Math**

- 💧 Increase math scores by 5-8 % each year for the next 3 years.

💧 **Climate**

- 💧 Decrease suspension rates by 10% each year for the next 3 years.
- 💧 Increase attendance rates with goal at 95% present.

Overview of School Improvement Plan (SIP)

1. Professional Practice/PDPLC

The goal of this strategy is to provide ongoing job-embedded professional development and implement the continuous use of student data to inform instructional practice.

2. Focused Instruction

The goal of this strategy is to effectively implement a comprehensive, research-based, vertically aligned instructional program for all students.

3. Positive Engagement Plans

The goal of this strategy is to ensure that behavioral expectations and intervention structures are clearly defined and communicated.

4. Family Engagement

The goal of this strategy is to provide and communicate academic, behavioral, and social support options for parents as well as providing opportunities for collaboration and feedback with parents and the community.

Priority Needs/Where do we need to focus?

Student Achievement	Climate	Professional Practice
<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Continue to work toward closing the achievement gap.2. Increase reading proficiency.3. Increase math proficiency.	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Decrease number of suspensions for African American students.2. Decrease the number of suspensions for all students.3. Decrease the number of suspensions for Special education.	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Utilize Focused Instruction in all grades.2. Provide appropriate interventions.3. Implement Mind Up curriculum and other social skills curricula as needed.

IN Summary

Waite Park will work towards developing these 4 areas:

1. Professional Practice/PCPLC
2. Focused Instruction
3. Positive Engagement Plans
4. Parent/community Engagement

Celebration School



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Waite Park Community School is one of three Minneapolis Public Schools designated as Celebration Eligible, based on the Minnesota Department of Education's Multiple Measurement Ratings. Superintendent Johnson "commends schools being recognized for their designations and growth. . . 'congratulations to the leaders, teachers and support staff who have successfully achieved better outcomes for students.'"

Thank you,
ILT Team