

Prospect Lake Elementary School Plan

2017-18

School Goal Statement: Maintain student engagement in learning.

1. **Rationale:**

- a. Research shows a strong correlation between student engagement and academic success
- b. Engaged students will help address the diversity of learning styles and ability
- c. Connecting our student's learning to the natural environment has increased their engagement

2. **Strategies:**

a. **Taking Action:**

- i. Providing release time for staff to work together integrated curricula with outdoor learning
- ii. Use technologies that enhance teaching, learning and student engagement
- iii. Provide opportunities for students to learn how to set goals, self-assess and reflect upon their learning
- iv. Continue to focus on building a strong school community and school culture

b. **Checking/Results:**

Students continue to have a strong sense of belonging and they feel accepted and valued by peers and staff. Students also indicate that they value our school outcomes and data shows they are interested and motivated in regard to their learning.

School Goal Statement: Improve student achievement in writing.

1. **Rationale:**

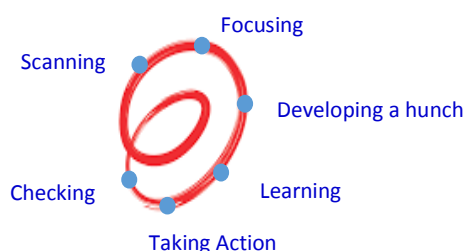
- a. Our data indicates that writing improved but only marginally over the last year
- b. Writing has only been our school goal for one year
- c. Research evidence shows a strong correlation between success in writing and reading

2. **Strategies:**

a. **Taking Action:**

- i. Use professional development time early in the year for staff to develop an annual overview to coordinate and implement writing strategies
- ii. Traits of writing will continue to form the basis for the development and use of common language across grades
- iii. Create authentic opportunities for students to create and share their writing

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- iv. Follow through on school wide writing opportunities to guide instruction
 - v. Provide opportunity for grade group collaboration
- b. Checking Results:**
 Our data indicates an improvement in writing achievement this year. We feel the strategies described above will increase the engagement of our students in their learning and continue to improve their achievement in writing. It is important that we maintain the continuity of our school wide writes to help guide our instruction.

Student Achievement Data:

1. Writing Data: % of Students Meeting or Exceeding Expectations

Assessment	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17
Report Card (all)	81%	71%	75%
School Wide Writes		79%	
FSA	89%	73%	90%

2. Engagement Data: OurSCHOOL Survey % of students who are interested and motivated

OurSCHOOL Survey	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17
Motivation	96%	77%	81%
Values School	96%	93%	95%
Belonging	87%	83%	85%

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