

School Improvement Plan 2019 - 2020



Muscogee County South Columbus Elementary School

SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT PLAN

1 General Improvement Plan Information

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District	Muscogee County School District
School Name	South Columbus Elementary School
Team Lead	Dawn Jenkins

Federal Funding Options to Be Employed (SWP Schools) in this Plan (Select all that apply)		
\checkmark	Traditional funding (all Federal funds budgeted separately)	
	Consolidated funds (state/local and federal funds consolidated) - Cohort systems ONLY	
	'FUND 400' - Consolidation of Federal funds only	

Factors(s) Used by District to Identify Students in Poverty (Select all that apply)		
	Free/Reduced meal application	
\checkmark	Community Eligibility Program (CEP) - Direct Certification ONLY	
	Other (if selected, please describe below)	

2. SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT GOALS

2.1 OverarchingNeed # 1

Overarching Need

Overarching Need as identified in	To increase students' writing scores, a professional development plan is needed to increase
CNA Section 3.2	teachers knowledge and use of learning targets aligned to GSE.
Root Cause # 1	There is a lack of teacher training and knowledge of learning targets and success criteria in
	the area of writing across the curriculum.
Goal	By May 2020, 100% of teachers in grades K-5 will receive training on developing Learning
	Targets that are clearly aligned to the ELAGSE. Teachers will select appropriate strategies
	from The Writing Strategies Book that address the Learning Targets related to idea
	development and conventions. Eighty-five percent (85%) of teachers will successfully
	implement those strategies as measured by an increase in student writing performance on
	pre/post writing prompts, using common grade level standards-based writing rubrics.

Action Step	A professional development plan will be developed to increase teachers use of success
	criteria and learning targets that impact student success in writing across all content areas.
Funding Sources	Title I, Part A
	Title II, Part A
	IDEA
	McKinney-Vento
Subgroups	Economically Disadvantaged
	Foster
	Homeless
	English Learners
	Migrant
	Race / Ethnicity / Minority
	Student with Disabilities
Systems	Coherent Instruction
	Effective Leadership
	Professional Capacity
	Supportive Learning Environment
Method for Monitoring	Data team meetings
Implementation and Effectiveness	Grade level team meetings
	Vertical team meetings
	Assessment data from BOY, MOY, EOY
	TKES
	LT/District Focus Walks
Position/Role Responsible	Teachers
	Academic Coach
	Principal/Assistant Principal

Action Step # 1

Timeline for Implementation	Monthly

What partnerships with IHEs,	Chatt-Flint RESA
business, Non-Profits,	
Community based organizations,	
or any private entity with a	
demonstrated record of success is	
the LEA implementating in	
carrying out this action step(s)?	

Action Step	Writing samples will be collected in fall, winter and spring using a pre-determined prompt
-	to establish if students are making progress in developing their writing skills using a
	common grade level standards-based scoring rubric.
Funding Sources	Title I, Part A
Subgroups	Economically Disadvantaged
	Foster
	Homeless
	English Learners
	Migrant
	Race / Ethnicity / Minority
	Student with Disabilities
Systems	Coherent Instruction
	Professional Capacity
	Supportive Learning Environment
Method for Monitoring	Data team meetings
Implementation and Effectiveness	Grade level meetings
	Vertical team meetings
	Writing assessment data-BOY, MOY, EOY
Position/Role Responsible	Teachers
	Academic Coach
	Principal/Assistant Principal
Timeline for Implementation	Quarterly

What partnerships with IHEs,	Chatt-Flint RESA
business, Non-Profits,	
Community based organizations,	
or any private entity with a	
demonstrated record of success is	

Action Step # 2

What partnerships with IHEs,	Chatt-Flint RESA
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or any private entity with a	
demonstrated record of success is	
the LEA implementating in	
carrying out this action step(s)?	

Action Step	Teachers will utilize The Writing Strategies Book by Jennifer Serravallo, as an instructional
_	guide for teaching effective writing strategies to students.
Funding Sources	Title I, Part A
Subgroups	Economically Disadvantaged
	Foster
	Homeless
	English Learners
	Migrant
	Race / Ethnicity / Minority
	Student with Disabilities
Systems	Coherent Instruction
	Professional Capacity
	Supportive Learning Environment
Method for Monitoring	Data team meetings
Implementation and Effectiveness	Grade level meetings
Position/Role Responsible	Teachers
	Academic Coach
	Principal/Assistant Principal
Timeline for Implementation	Weekly

What partnerships with IHEs,	Chatt-Flint RESA
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2. SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT GOALS

2.2 OverarchingNeed # 2

Overarching Need

Overarching Need as identified in	Students lack social skills to have positive interactions with peers and adults. They have
CNA Section 3.2	not developed the ability to positive express emotions such as empathy, frustration,
	sadness and fear.
Root Cause # 1	A formalized process for identifying and supporting Tier 2 and above students with MTSS
	structures and interventions.
Goal	By May 2020, our Tier II team will develop and train 100% of teachers in grades PK-5 on a
	written process for Tier II structures and interventions that builds capacity to support all
	students. 85% of teachers will implement the process with fidelity as measured by the Tier
	II section of the TFI and/or the Tier 2/Tier 3 Intervention Tracking tool.

Action Step	Tier 2 MTSS team will meet bi-monthly to review/monitor targeted	
neuon step	instruction/interventions/supplemental supports for students who did not respond to tier	
	1 interventions.	
Funding Sources	Title I, Part A	
	Title I, Part A SIG	
Subgroups	Economically Disadvantaged	
	Foster	
	Homeless	
	English Learners	
	Migrant	
	Race / Ethnicity / Minority	
	Student with Disabilities	
Systems	Coherent Instruction	
	Professional Capacity	
	Family and Community Engagement	
	Supportive Learning Environment	
Method for Monitoring	MTSS team meetings	
Implementation and Effectiveness	SWIS data	
	PBIS EOY report	
	BESS screener data	
Position/Role Responsible	PBIS Coach	
	Academic Coach	
	PRincipal/Assistant Principal	
Timeline for Implementation	Weekly	

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Action Step # 1

What partnerships with IHEs,
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or any private entity with a
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carrying out this action step(s)?

Action Step	Professional development in the area of FBAs will be provided for teachers to build their	
	understanding of the ABCs of behavior.	
Funding Sources	Title I, Part A	
	IDEA	
Subgroups	Economically Disadvantaged	
	Foster	
	Homeless	
	English Learners	
	Migrant	
	Race / Ethnicity / Minority	
	Student with Disabilities	
Systems	Coherent Instruction	
	Professional Capacity	
	Family and Community Engagement	
	Supportive Learning Environment	
Method for Monitoring	SWIS CICO data	
Implementation and Effectiveness	BESS screener data	
	PBIS EOY report	
Position/Role Responsible	PBIS Coach	
	Academic Coach	
	Principal/Assistant Principal	
Timeline for Implementation	Monthly	

What partnerships with IHEs,
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SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT PLAN

3 Required Questions

Required Questions

1 In developing this plan, briefly describe	Data collected throughout the year from various Title I surveys, school climate
how the school sought advice from	surveys and other data sources were use to note strengths and weaknesses of
individuals (teachers, staff, other school	the overall school program. Stakeholder input was also sought through
leaders, paraprofessionals, specialized	leadership team, local school council, monthly parent workshops and PIE
instructional support personnel, parents,	meetings.
community partners, and other	_
stakeholders) was accomplished.	

2 Describe how the school will ensure that	All teachers in grades kindergarten through fifth meet professional
low-income and minority children enrolled	qualifications. A full-time academic coach provides professional development,
in the Title I school are not served at	teacher support and coaching to ensure that they are equipped with effective,
disproportionate rates by ineffective,	evidence based instructional methods to meet the needs of our diverse
out-of-field, or inexperienced teachers.	learners.

3 Provide a general description of the Title I	At SCES, we have a school-wide Title I program. It consists of:
instructional program being implemented at	? Shared vision among entire school staff (Creating a sense WE)
this Title I School. Specifically define the	? Academic focus (gradual release) ? Planning and design(MTSS)
subject areas to be addressed and the	? Family and community involvement (Title I parent liaison)
instructional strategies/methodologies to be	? Structure is common throughout the school (PBIS)
employed to address the identified needs of	? Professional Development (PLC's)
the most academically at-risk students in the	? Inclusiveness (meeting needs of ALL students)
school. Please include services to be	? Evaluation of progress
provided for students living in local	
institutions for neglected or delinquent	
children (if applicable).	

4 If applicable, provide a description of how	N/A
teachers, in consultation with parents,	
administrators, and pupil services personnel,	
will identify eligible children most in need of	
services in Title I targeted assistance	
schools/programs. Please include a	
description of how the school will develop	
and implement multiple (a minimum of 2)	
objective, academic-based performance	
criteria to rank students for service. Also	
include a description of the measurable scale	
(point system) that uses the objective criteria	
to rank all students.	

5 If applicable, describe how the school will	SCES is an ESC (early success center) where we serve pre-k students from
support, coordinate, and integrate services	neighboring elementary school zones. Five regular education pre-k classrooms
with early childhood programs at the school	and one STEPS pre-k classroom provide a curriculum that supports students
level, including strategies for assisting	as they prepare for kindergarten readiness. The goal is to provide both
preschool children in the transition from	academic and social-emotional learning through the district adopted pre-k
early childhood education programs to local	curriculum.
elementary school programs.	

6 If applicable, describe how the school will	N/A
implement strategies to facilitate effective	
transitions for students from middle grades	
to high school and from high school to	
postsecondary education including:	
Coordination with institutions of higher	
education, employers, and local partners;	
and	
Increased student access to early college,	
high school, or dual or concurrent	
enrollment opportunities or career	
counseling to identify student interest and	
skills.	

7 Describe how the school will support	We utilize PBIS, a framework for teaching desired behavioral outcomes
efforts to reduce the overuse of discipline	through positive reinforcement. PBIS has a few important principles:
practices that remove students from the	? Every child can learn proper behavior.
classroom, specifically addressing the effects	? Stepping in early can prevent more serious behavior problems.
on all subgroups of students.	? Each child is different and we need to provide many kinds of behavior
	support.
	? We teach behavior based on evidence based research and science.
	? Following a child's behavioral progress is important.
	? We gather and use data to make decisions about behavior problems.

ADDITIONAL RESPONSES

8 Use the space below to provide additional	
narrative regarding the school's	
improvement plan	