#### NOTICE OF REGULAR MEETING AND AGENDA



## **January 9, 2013**

395 South Pratt Parkway Longmont, Colorado 80501

John Creighton, President, Board of Education

Dr. Don Haddad, Superintendent of Schools

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John Creighton, President Debbie Lammers, Secretary Mike Schiers, Asst Secretary Rod Schmidt Joie Siegrist Bob Smith, Vice President Dori Van Lone, Treasurer

#### 1. CALL TO ORDER:

7:00 pm Regular Business Meeting

- 2. ADDENDUMS/CHANGES TO THE AGENDA:
- 3. AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION:
- 4. BOARD RECOGNITIONS/PRESENTATIONS TO THE BOARD & BOARD COMMUNICATIONS/COMMENTS:

LCJP Restorative Justice Student Leadership Team

- 5. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT:
- 6. REPORTS:
  - Lyons Middle/High School Feeder Report by High School Student Advisory Council Students
  - 2. 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter 2012-2013 Gifts to Schools
  - 3. Safety Initiative Update

#### 7. CONSENT ITEMS:

- Approval: Staff Terminations/Leaves
- 2. Approval: Staff Appointments
- 3. Approval: Approval of Minutes for the December 12, 2012 Regular

Meeting

- 4. Approval: Approval of Annual Official Posting Location Notice
- 5. Approval: Second Reading, Adoption, Board Policies/

Regulations/Exhibits EHC – Technology, Access and Digital Communication; JICDE – Bullying Prevention and Education; JK – Student Discipline; JK-R – Student Discipline (Remedial Discipline Plans); JKD/JKE – Suspension/Expulsion of Students; JKD/JKE-R – Suspension/Expulsion of Students; JKD/JKE-E – Grounds for Suspension/Expulsion;

JLDAC – Screening/Testing of Students

- 6. Approval: Approval of Change Order to CMGC Contract-Erie
  - Middle School Addition and Renovation Project
- 7. Approval: Approval of Cabinet-Level Position Change

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#### 8. ACTION ITEMS:

1. Recommendation: Adoption of Resolution Proclaiming 2013 as

Year of the Student

2. Recommendation: Adoption of Resolution Proclaiming Career

and Technical Education Month-Feb 2013

3. Recommendation: Approval of Name for Frederick Preschool4. Recommendation: Approval of Managed Print Services Contract

5. Recommendation: Approval of Managed 1 lift Services Contract
5. Recommendation: Approval of District & School Turnaround/

Priority Improvement UIP

6. Recommendation: Approval to Include St. Vrain Community

Montessori Charter in 2008 Mill Levy Override

7. Recommendation: Approval of Purchase of Second-Year

Contract for MyOn Reader Program

#### 9. DISCUSSION ITEMS:

1. Fiscal Year 2013 Amended Budget

2. Appraisals and Plans for School Properties

3. Colorado Association of School Boards 2012 Annual Convention Follow-Up

#### 10. ADJOURNMENT:

Board of Education Meetings: Held at 395 South Pratt Parkway, Board Room, unless otherwise noted:

Wednesday, January 16 6:00 – 8:00 pm Study Session to be held at

Longs Peak Middle School IMC

Wednesday, January 23 6:30 pm Financials

7:00 - 9:00 pm Televised Study Session

Wednesday, February 13 7:00 pm Regular Meeting

DATE: January 9, 2013

TO: Board of Education

FROM: Dr. Don Haddad, Superintendent of Schools

SUBJECT: Lyons High School Feeder Report-High School Student Advisory Council

## <u>PURPOSE</u>

To provide students the opportunity to practice leadership skills and report out on the successes of the Lyons High School feeder system to the Board of Education.

## **BACKGROUND**

The Student Advisory Committee is comprised of 3-4 high school students from each of our high schools that were chosen by teachers and administrators. The Student Advisory Committee was started by Don Haddad six years ago so that students could give input to the superintendents about what students were feeling about the District.

DATE: January 9, 2013

TO: Board of Education

FROM: Dr. Don Haddad, Superintendent of Schools

SUBJECT: Public Gifts to Schools

## **PURPOSE**

To provide the Board of Education with a list of public gifts given to the St. Vrain Valley School District for the second quarter of the 2012-2013 school year totaling \$236,954.55.

## **BACKGROUND**

During the course of the year, the District receives many cash and gift donations for its programs. These gifts are accepted by the principal, the superintendent or the Board of Education according to Board Policy KH, <u>Public Gifts to Schools</u>. The attached listing delineates these gifts.

## 2012-13 PUBLIC GIFTS TO THE SCHOOLS

	Reported between July 1, 2012 and December 31, 2012										
DATE OF					РТО						
GIFT	DONOR	AMT/VALUE	LOC	РТО		DESCRIPTION					
	Prairie Ridge Elementary PTO	215.00		Р		Cash donation to be used for the purchase of a W.A.T.C.H. Dog renewal kit for Prairie Ridge Elementary.					
7/9/2012		106.00	305			Donation of assorted tools and photos to be used in the Drama Program at Mead High School.					
	RLH Engineering, Inc.	1,000.00				Cash donation to be used as a silver sponsorship for the Classified Welcome Back 8-3-12.					
	Autism Society of Boulder County	5,000.00				Cash donation to be used to purchase supplies to set up a new autism classroom.					
	Waddell & Reed, Inc.	200.00	404			Cash donation to be used to support the New Teacher Orientation.					
	Mr. Birchmeier IBM Corporation	18.37 1,500.00	124 124			Donation of school supplies/materials for students and staff at Columbine Elementary.  Cash donation to be used to acquire educational materials for 5th grade in math & science at Columbine Elem.					
	Eagle Crest PTO	2,317.10		D	2317	Cash donation to be used for the purchase of handwriting curriculum for students at Eagle Crest Elementary.					
	Horace Mann	200.00	142	Г		Donation of eight \$25 gift cards to support the Classified Staff Welcome Back for student participants.					
8/3/2012		25.00				Donation of a Starbuck's gift card to be used as a door prize for the Classified Staff Welcome Back.					
	Arrow Office Supply	300.00				Cash donation to be used to support the Classified Staff Welcome Back event.					
	Elevations Credit Union	500.00				Donation of an iPad for the Classified Welcome Back.					
	BCPCS Foundation	164.11	130			Cash donation to be used for field trip reimbursement at Mountain View Elementary.					
	Mr. & Mrs. Bruce Warren	200.00	309			Cash donation to be used to support the Forensics Program at Niwot High.					
	Jeff Bauer (VALIC)	100.00				Cash donation to be used to support the new Teacher Orientation.					
	Micro Motion/Northern Trust	2,000.00				Cash donation to be used to support students and staff of the District.					
	Noodles & Company	1,200.00				Donation of lunch for 180 teachers for the New Teacher Orientation.					
	Delta Kappa Gamma	25.00				Donation of a Target gift card to be used to support the New Teacher Orientation.					
	Legend Group/Securities Benefit	520.00				Donation of lunch for Day 3 of the New Teacher Orientation, and 3 gift cards to support the event.					
8/10/2012	Elevations Credit Union	3,978.92				Donation of an iPad, breakfast and snacks for the August 9-10, 2012 New Teacher Orientation.					
8/11/2012	Setter Roche, LLP	1,000.00	309			Cash donation to be used for the Football Team at Niwot High School.					
	Jill Breninger	267.28				Donation of classroom supplies and two room dividers for use at Mountain View Elementary.					
	Longmont Ford	945.00	125			Cash donation to pay for four months of tuition for student at Erie Elementary.					
	Patricia Fox	150.00	309			Cash donation to be used for the Boys' Tennis Team at Niwot High.					
	Blue Mountain Elementary PTO	4,298.24	147	Р		Cash donation to be used for the purchase of Apple laptop computers for use at Blue Mtn. Elementary.					
	Black Rock PTO	23,533.58		Р		Cash donation to be used for the purchase of iPads and accessories for student use at Black Rock Elementary.					
	Bill Ferguson	2,000.00				Donation of musical instruments for needy students in the Band Program at Sunset Middle School.					
	Longmont Rotary Club	50.00	131			Cash donation to be used for classroom supplies at Niwot Elementary from the Compassion Essay Award.					
	Longmont Rotary Club	50.00	251			Cash donation to be used for classroom supplies at Erie Middle from the Compassion Essay Award.					
	Longmont Rotary Club	50.00	309			Cash donation to be used for classroom supplies at Niwot High from the Compassion Essay Award.					
	Mead Liquors	100.00	505			Cash donation to be used to support the Girls Soccer Program at Mead High School.					
	Custom School Supplies, Inc.	100.00				Cash donation to be used to cover material fees for ten students at Erie Elementary.					
	Lowe's Home Improvement  Blue Mountain Elementary PTO	660.00		D		Donation of 66 Build & Grow/Kung-Fu Panda kits for Positive Behavior Support at Rocky Mtn. Elementary.					
	Miguel Garcia Navarro	2,750.00 100.00	122	Р		Cash donation to be used for school supplies for students at Blue Mtn. Elementary.  Donation of a variety of school supplies to be used by students at Burlington Elementary.					
	Longmont Twin Peaks Rotary Club	1,200.00	310			Cash donation to be used for the Boys' Golf Team at Skyline High School.					
	Longmont Twin Peaks Rotary Club	1,200.00				Cash donation to be used to help offset golf tournament entry fees at Erie High School.					
	Mr. & Mrs. Daniel Graham	50.00	309			Cash donation to be used to help onset gon tournament entry rees at Ene Fight School.  Cash donation to be used to support the Vocal Music/Choir Programs at Niwot High.					
	Gretchen Reavis	600.00	220			Donation of a French Horn to be used in the Band Program at Westview Middle School.					
	Denise Dunn	600.00	220			Donation of a Clarinet (\$400) and a Flute (\$200) to be used in the Band Program at Westview Middle School.					
	Wanda Mullen	8.08	130			Donation of school supplies for students at Mountain View Elementary.					
	Lowe's Home Improvement	500.00	137			Donation of 50 Build & Grow/Kung Fu Panda Kits for the PBS student store at Rocky Mtn. Elementary.					
	Longmont Twin Peaks Rotary Club	1,200.00				Cash donation to be used for the purchase of golf equipment for students at Longmont High School.					
	Janette Carson	100.00	122			Cash donation to be used to help families in need with respect to clothing at Burlington Elementary.					
	Education Blueprints Association	1,380.00	125			Cash donation to be used for the purchase of a Lego Education Kit for use at Erie Elementary.					
	First United Methodist Church	105.00	132			Cash donation to be used to assist with material fees at Spangler Elementary.					
	The Import Warehouse Auto Sales	100.00	137			Cash donation to be used for students at Rocky Mtn. Elementary.					
	Mark & Christine Barnett	5,000.00	127			Cash donation to be used for inservice, substitutes, and student needs at Hygiene Elementary.					
	Abbi McHenry	30.00	130			Donation of school supplies to share with students at Mtn. View Elementary.					
	Lyons Booster Club	14,225.60	513	Р		Cash donation to be used to purchase computers, expenses for the Homework Club and the BBQ at Lyons M/Sr.					
	Longmont Clinic	500.00				Cash donation to be used to support the Track Club at Erie High.					
	Nancy Parker	115.00				Cash donation to be used for the Spelling Bee at Lyons Elementary School.					
	Alpine PTO	487.00	141	Р		Cash donation to be used for office equipment usage at Alpine Elementary.					
	Eagle Crest PTO	1,414.92		Р		Donation of 20 RazKids Licenses for students at Eagle Crest Elementary.					
	Mr. & Mrs. Bernard Gillett	20.00				Cash donation to be used to support the Vocal Music/Choir Programs at Niwot High.					
	Mr. & Mrs. Bill Crawford	20.00	309			Cash donation to be used to support the Vocal Music/Choir Programs at Niwot High.					
	Kim Kalinski	20.00	309			Donation of a croquet set to be used to support the P.E. Program at Niwot High.					
8/27/2012	ıarget	371.82	129			Cash donation to be used for the purchase of school supplies for students at Mead Elementary.					

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8/27/2012	Rocky Mtn. PTO	3,086.34	137	Р	3086	Cash donation to be used for transportation for field trips for each grade level at Rocky Mtn. Elementary.					
8/27/2012		669.57	125	'	3000	Take Charge of Education donation to be used to support education at Erie Elementary.					
	Niwot Elementary PTAC	2,079.67	131	Р	2080	Cash donation to be used to cover the cost of Handwriting Without Tears materials for students at Niwot Elem.					
	Mr. Birchmeier	795.03				Donation of six boxes of school supplies to be used at Columbine Elementary.					
	Custom School Supplies, Inc.	17.90	125			Cash donation to be used to support education at Erie Elementary					
	Donald Smith	240.00	122			Donation of three write way stands to be used at Burlington Elementary to direct parents/workers in the building.					
	Ben & Melanie Bohren	15.00	147			Cash donation to be used for a birthday book donation at Blue Mountain Elementary.					
	Chunlei Zhu and Jing Zhu	100.00	147			Cash donation to be used for the Math Olympiad donation at Blue Mountain Elementary.					
	Blue Mountain Stone	1,200.00	513			Cash donation to be used for a BBQ held at Lyons Middle/Senior High.					
	Bill Hughes	50.00	122			Donation of five headsets for computers in the Special Education classroom at Burlington Elementary.					
	Hans & Grishma Elzinga	100.00	123			Cash donation to be used to support the IB Program at Central Elementary.					
	Mr. & Mrs. Michael Kosten	60.00	309			Cash donation to be used to support the Vocal Music/Choir Programs at Niwot High.					
8/31/2012	Megan Roth	150.00	314			Cash donation to be used for the softball program at Silver Creek High School.					
	Marina & Michael Hale	15.00	147			Cash donation to be used for a birthday book donation at Blue Mountain Elementary.					
	Oscar Blue's Brewery	500.00	305			Cash donation to be used toward the purchase of a Bass for the Mead High School Orchestra.					
9/4/2012	Wal-Mart	1,000.00	132			Donation of twenty \$50 gift cards to be used for classroom supplies at Spangler Elementary.					
9/4/2012	Craig Orbanosky	700.00	123			Cash donation to be used for technology for the 3rd grade classroom at Central Elementary.					
9/4/2012		1,000.00	140			Donation of twenty \$50 gift cards to be used for classroom supplies at Sanborn Elementary.					
9/4/2012	Allen & Margaret Richardson	15.00	147			Cash donation to be used for a birthday book donation at Blue Mountain Elementary.					
	Suzette Schaff	50.00	305			Cash donation to be used toward the purchase of a Bass for the Mead High School Orchestra.					
9/5/2012	Kids Hope	600.00	130			Donation of backpacks and school supplies to be used by students at Mtn. View Elementary.					
9/5/2012	Mary Beth Pocalyko	20.00	130			Donation of school supplies to e used by students at Mtn. View Elementary.					
9/6/2012	Merrill Bohaning	50.00	305			Cash donation to be used toward the purchase of a Bass for the Mead High School Orchestra.					
9/6/2012	Shannon Barton	100.00	305			Cash donation to be used toward the purchase of a Bass for the Mead High School Orchestra.					
9/6/2012	Anne Avril	50.00	309			Cash donation to be used to support the Vocal Music/Choir Programs at Niwot High.					
9/7/2012	Becca Schultz	15.00	147			Cash donation to be used for a birthday book donation at Blue Mountain Elementary.					
9/7/2012	Sanborn PASS	6,225.44	140	Р	6225	Cash donation to be used for various programs at Sanborn Elementary.					
9/7/2012	Mr. & Mrs. Recchia	90.00	149			Cash donation to be used for the Music Program at Red Hawk Elementary.					
9/10/2012	City of Longmont	1,600.00				Donation of 1,600 cardboard boxes to be used by students and staff as needed.					
9/10/2012		300.00	310			Cash donation to be used for the Dance Team at Skyline High School.					
9/10/2012	Mr. Spoerri	40.00	141			Cash donation to be used for the purchase of gift cards for the Parent Update Meeting raffle at Alpine Elementary.					
9/11/2012	Great West Life & Annuity Ins. Co.	5,000.00	141			Cash donation to be used for financial literacy at Alpine Elementary.					
9/11/2012	Blue Mountain Elementary PTO	22.08	147	Р	22	Cash donation to be used for the difference charged on Apple invoice for Blue Mtn. Elementary.					
9/12/2012	Jim Trott	2,500.00	305			Cash donation to be used for the Football Program at Mead High School.					
9/12/2012	Longmont Area Economic Council	750.00				Cash donation to be used for the MESA Program.					
9/13/2012	Salomon Professional Services	50.60	132			Donation of popsicles for students at Spangler Elementary.					
9/14/2012	Alpine PTO	511.00	141	Р	511	Cash donation to be used for field trips for 2nd Grade classes at Alpine Elementary.					
	IBM Corporation	1,500.00	126			Cash donation to be used for the Gifted and Talented Class at Frederick Elementary.					
9/17/2012	Adolfson & Peterson Construction	1,000.00				Cash donation to be used for the Classified Welcome Back.					
9/18/2012	Silver Mine Subs	170.00	217			Donation of sandwiches for Parent-Teacher Conferences at Heritage Middle School.					
9/19/2012	Dede Frothingham	65.00	141			Cash donation to be used for the purchase of gift cards for the Parent Update Meeting raffle at Alpine Elementary.					
9/21/2012	Jaylynn Lawley	25.00	122			Donation of supplies to be used by students at Burlington Elementary.					
9/18/2012	Black Rock PTO	711.48	146	Р	711	Cash donation to be used for 4th Grade Subscription to Colorado Studies Weekly for students at Black Rock Elem.					
9/27/2012	Pam Eppstein	215.00	217			Donating of seven basketballs to use for basketball practice at Heritage Middle School.					
	Total Gifts Reported 7/1/12 - 9/30/12	\$ 118,325.13									
	Parent Group Donations	\$ 61,877.45									
	ACE Hardware	50.00				Donation of three gallons of paint, rollers, brushes and tape for painting the teachers' lounge at Hygiene Elementary.					
	Coridien-Employee Matching Gift Program	1,000.00				Cash donation to be used for general school support at Altona Middle School.					
	Ewing Family	30.00	254			Cash donation to be used to support the Band Program at Altona Middle School.					
	Jeffrey Thramann	1,500.00	309			Cash donation to be used to support the football program at Niwot High School.					
	Impact Rock Church	150.00	125			Donation of school supplies for students at Erie Elementary School.					
	Jim & Janis Tracy	189.99	125			Donation of school supplies for students at Erie Elementary School.					
	Mr. & Mrs. Scott Drake	1,500.00	309			Cash donation to be used to support the football program at Niwot High School.					
0/0/2012	Gretchen Reavis	2,600.00				Donation of a Double French Horn to be used in the Band Program at Longmont High School.					
						<u> </u>					
8/14/2012	Daniel Caruso Daniel Caruso	9,000.00 5,000.00				Cash donation to be used to support the football program at Niwot High School.  Cash donation to be used to support the football program at Niwot High School.					

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8/14/2012	Robert Grubb	1,500.00	309			Cash donation to be used to support the football program at Niwot High School.						
	Mark & Kathleen Bonaguro	370.00				Cash donation to be used to provide yearbooks for students in need at Altona Middle School.						
8/20/2012	Longmont High School Music Boosters	500.00	312	Р	500	Cash donation to be used for materials and transportation for music students at Longmont High.						
	Sun Construction	200.00	127			Cash donation to be used toward the remodeling of the staff lounge at Hygiene Elementary.						
	Michael & Ann Marie Ronan	600.00	221			Donation of a tenor saxophone for use by the Band Program at Coal Ridge Middle School.						
	Rachel & Donald Long	105.95				Donation of a clarinet and a box of clarinet reeds for use by the Band Program at Coal Ridge Middle School.						
	Doughan Family	20.00	125			Donation of school supplies for use by students at Erie Elementary School.						
	Hygiene Elementary PTO	7,387.49	127	Р		Cash donation to be used for various departments at Hygiene Elementary School.						
	David & Frances Norman	150.00				Cash donation to be used to support student learning in the classrooms at Sunset Middle School.						
	Aspen Laser & Technology	100.00	309			Cash donation to be used to support the staff Walk-a-Thon at Niwot High.						
9/5/2012	William Hakonson	453.01 500.00	124 312			Cash donation to be used for the purchase of school supplies/materials for Columbine Elementary.  Cash donation to be used as a student scholarship at Longmont High.						
	James & Dana Willett	75.00	254			Cash donation to be used as a student scholarship at Longmont riight.  Cash donation to be used to support the Choir Program at Altona Middle School.						
	Black Rock PTO	10,104.07	146	Р	10104	Cash donation to be used for iPads for classroom use, copy paper, and 4th grade Studies Weekly subscriptions.						
	Leroy and Sharon McCaffrey	25.00	215	•		Cash donation to be used to support student learning in the classrooms at Sunset Middle School.						
	Larry Hayens, III	75.00				Cash donation to be used for the school magazine fundraiser at Sunset Middle School.						
	Peggy Graham	65.00	309			Cash donation to be used to support the Choir Program at Niwot High.						
	First United Methodist Church	358.10	217			Cash donation to be used for students at Heritage Middle School.						
	Jane Wolford	620.00	312			Donation of 8 prep catalogues and a laptop computer to benefit the college center at Longmont High School.						
9/14/2012	Mr. & Mrs. Scott Musser	50.00	309			Cash donation to be used to support the Fall 2012 musical production at Niwot High.						
9/14/2012	Mike & Karen Trafton	100.00	309			Cash donation to be used to support the staff Walk-a-Thon at Niwot High.						
9/14/2012	David & Brittany Weibel	150.00	215			Cash donation to be used for the school magazine fundraiser at Sunset Middle School.						
	2nd Avenue Hair Studio	100.00	309			Cash donation to be used to support the staff Walk-a-Thon at Niwot High.						
	Mtn. View Elementary PTO	250.00	130	Р		Cash donation to be used for Odyssey of the Mind participation fees for students at Mtn. View Elementary.						
	Abbie Carbaugh	15.00	254			Cash donation to be used for the fundraiser to purchase additional technology for classrooms at Altona.						
	Zach Foss	25.00	254			Cash donation to be used for the fundraiser to purchase additional technology for classrooms at Altona.						
	Ian Christoffersen	45.00	254			Cash donation to be used for the fundraiser to purchase additional technology for classrooms at Altona.						
	Patrick Fletcher	15.00	254			Cash donation to be used for the fundraiser to purchase additional technology for classrooms at Altona.						
	Aiden Lantaff	20.00	254			Cash donation to be used for the fundraiser to purchase additional technology for classrooms at Altona.						
	AnJella Berlova & Andrei Khurshudov	50.00	254			Cash donation to be used for the fundraiser to purchase additional technology for classrooms at Altona.						
	Joseph Kulekauskai	10.00 5.00	254			Cash donation to be used for the fundraiser to purchase additional technology for classrooms at Altona.						
	Srekanth Pomalopally Alan Scharf	15.00	254			Cash donation to be used for the fundraiser to purchase additional technology for classrooms at Altona.  Cash donation to be used for the fundraiser to purchase additional technology for classrooms at Altona.						
	Kim Fuhrman	30.00	254			Cash donation to be used for the fundraiser to purchase additional technology for classrooms at Altona.						
	Michael Shell	10.00	254			Cash donation to be used for the fundraiser to purchase additional technology for classrooms at Altona.						
	Darla Evertson	20.00	254			Cash donation to be used for the fundraiser to purchase additional technology for classrooms at Altona.						
	Mare & Barb Arnold	400.00	254			Cash donation to be used for the fundraiser to purchase additional technology for classrooms at Altona.						
	Chae Olinger	90.00				Cash donation to be used for the fundraiser to purchase additional technology for classrooms at Altona.						
	Derek Ordway	15.00	254			Cash donation to be used for the fundraiser to purchase additional technology for classrooms at Altona.						
	Mary Hardwick	225.00	254			Cash donation to be used for the fundraiser to purchase additional technology for classrooms at Altona.						
	Patty Serlis	200.00				Cash donation to be used for the fundraiser to purchase additional technology for classrooms at Altona.						
	Gary Ellison	150.00	254			Cash donation to be used for the fundraiser to purchase additional technology for classrooms at Altona.						
	Tom & Stephanie Potter	45.00	254			Cash donation to be used for the fundraiser to purchase additional technology for classrooms at Altona.						
	William & Linda Knight	25.00	254			Cash donation to be used for the fundraiser to purchase additional technology for classrooms at Altona.						
	Jeffery & Julie Nielson	60.00	254			Cash donation to be used for the fundraiser to purchase additional technology for classrooms at Altona.						
	John & Michelle Burns	45.00	254			Cash donation to be used for the fundraiser to purchase additional technology for classrooms at Altona.						
	Michael & Clarissa Tutkowski	100.00	254			Cash donation to be used for the fundraiser to purchase additional technology for classrooms at Altona.						
	Carol Kraft	10.00	254			Cash donation to be used for the fundraiser to purchase additional technology for classrooms at Altona.						
	Sarel Van Vuuren & Wei Wei	225.00	254			Cash donation to be used for the fundraiser to purchase additional technology for classrooms at Altona.						
	Haleh Nekoorad-Long	100.00	254			Cash donation to be used for the fundraiser to purchase additional technology for classrooms at Altona.						
	Stephen & Dana Wood	60.00	254			Cash donation to be used for the fundraiser to purchase additional technology for classrooms at Altona.						
	Michael & Peggy Shell	15.00	254			Cash donation to be used for the fundraiser to purchase additional technology for classrooms at Altona.						
	Carolyn Bradley	15.00	254			Cash donation to be used for the fundraiser to purchase additional technology for classrooms at Altona.						
	Matthew & Gabriele Bush	20.00	254			Cash donation to be used for the fundraiser to purchase additional technology for classrooms at Altona.						
	Margaret Cummings	20.00	254			Cash donation to be used for the fundraiser to purchase additional technology for classrooms at Altona.						
	Lorane Cushman	15.00	254			Cash donation to be used for the fundraiser to purchase additional technology for classrooms at Altona.						
	Peter Moore	15.00				Cash donation to be used for the fundraiser to purchase additional technology for classrooms at Altona.						
9/19/2012	Melanie Hansen	30.00	254			Cash donation to be used for the fundraiser to purchase additional technology for classrooms at Altona.						

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	Jeffrey Nielson	60.00				Cash donation to be used for the fundraiser to purchase additional technology for classrooms at Altona.
9/19/2012	Keow Ng	90.00	254			Cash donation to be used for the fundraiser to purchase additional technology for classrooms at Altona.
9/19/2012	Naihong Wei	105.00	254			Cash donation to be used for the fundraiser to purchase additional technology for classrooms at Altona.
9/19/2012	Murray Elliott	15.00	254			Cash donation to be used for the fundraiser to purchase additional technology for classrooms at Altona.
9/19/2012	Cheri & John Stringer	20.00	254			Cash donation to be used for the fundraiser to purchase additional technology for classrooms at Altona.
9/19/2012	Glenn Wager	180.00	254			Cash donation to be used for the fundraiser to purchase additional technology for classrooms at Altona.
	Steven & Kimberly Roper	225.00	254			Cash donation to be used for the fundraiser to purchase additional technology for classrooms at Altona.
	William & Anna Rooney	45.00	254			Cash donation to be used for the fundraiser to purchase additional technology for classrooms at Altona.
	Jennifer & Glenn Cruger	150.00	254			Cash donation to be used for the fundraiser to purchase additional technology for classrooms at Altona.
	Ute & Francis Vandenburghe	50.00	254			Cash donation to be used for the fundraiser to purchase additional technology for classrooms at Altona.
	Martin & Kim Magill	30.00	254			Cash donation to be used for the fundraiser to purchase additional technology for classrooms at Altona.
	Patricia & John Bizknell	225.00	254			Cash donation to be used for the fundraiser to purchase additional technology for classrooms at Altona.
	Gregory & Amy Haggquist	30.00	254			Cash donation to be used for the fundraiser to purchase additional technology for classrooms at Altona.
	Aidan Prasad	1.00	254			Cash donation to be used for the fundraiser to purchase additional technology for classrooms at Altona.
	Emily Wallin	100.00	309			Cash donation to be used to support the staff Walk-a-Thon at Niwot High.
	Gail & Richard Young		137			Cash donation to be used to support the stall Walk-a-Thon at Niwot High.  Cash donation to be used for the purchase of school supplies for students at Rocky Mtn. Elementary.
	Dennis Daly	75.00				
	,	100.00	309			Cash donation to be used to support the staff Walk-a-Thon at Niwot High.
	Ronand & Holly Kammerer	225.00				Cash donation to be used for the school magazine fundraiser at Sunset Middle School.
	Najeh Chatti	42.00	215			Cash donation to be used for the school magazine fundraiser at Sunset Middle School.
	L. M. Goodwin	100.00	215			Cash donation to be used to support student learning in the classrooms at Sunset Middle School.
	Kiwanis Club of Longmont	100.00	309			Cash donation to be used to support the staff Walk-a-Thon at Niwot High.
	Mr. Birchmeier	128.03	124			Donation of a box of school supplies to be used by students at Columbine Elementary.
9/25/2012	Brian & Shelley Nelson	60.00	215			Cash donation to be used for the school magazine fundraiser at Sunset Middle School.
9/25/2012	Alma Medrano	50.00	254			Cash donation to be used for the fundraiser for general support of school needs at Altona Middle School.
9/26/2012	Black Rock PTO	1,739.95	146	Р	1740	Cash donation to be used for A-Z and Brain Pop on-line subscriptions for Black Rock Elementary.
9/26/2012	Kiwanis Club of Longmont Foundation	300.00	309			Cash donation to be used to support the Key Club students at Niwot High to attend Key Leader Conference.
	Longmont High School Band Boosters	300.00	312	Р	300	Cash donation to be used for the Band Program at Longmont High.
	Parametric Technology Corporation	225.00				Cash donation to be used for the Robotics Team at Sunset Middle School.
9/27/2012	<u> </u>	25.00				Cash donation to be used for the school magazine fundraiser at Sunset Middle School.
	Frontier Honda	250.00				Cash donation to be used to support Homecoming at Longmont High School.
	Niwot Elementary PTAC	20,000.00		Р	20000	Cash donation to be used for Paraprofessionals at Niwot Elementary School.
	Sunset PAC	500.00				Cash donation to be used for the purchase of 2012-2013 student planners at Sunset Middle School.
	Tina Fredo	10.00		•	000	Cash donation to be used to purchase supplies for the parent/teacher conference staff dinners at Altona Middle.
	Rotary Club of Niwot	100.00				Cash donation to be used to support the staff Walk-a-Thon at Niwot High.
	Fall River Communications Council - PTO	78.75			79	Cash donation to be used to support the stair Waik-a-Thorrac Niwot High.  Cash donation to be used for lunch for the Vision/Hearing Screening Volunteers at Fall River Elementary.
			144	Р	79	
	Bob Borgstrom	6,124.43	408			Donation of materials to be used in the machine shop at the Career Development Center.
	Robert Smith	25.00	148			Cash donation to be used for student activities at Centennial Elementary.
	Donna Gilbert	50.00	254			Cash donation to be used to purchase supplies for the parent/teacher conference staff dinners at Altona Middle.
	Anne Lindahl	40.00	254			Cash donation to be used to purchase supplies for the parent/teacher conference staff dinners at Altona Middle.
	Gwendolyn Borrego	30.00	254			Cash donation to be used to purchase supplies for the parent/teacher conference staff dinners at Altona Middle.
	Mead Elementary PAC	26.00	129	Р	26	Donation of four pillows for the benches inside the front entrance to Mead Elementary School.
	Suzanne Johnson	25.00	254			Cash donation to be used for the purchase of supplies for the parent/teacher conference dinners at Altona.
	The Lipstick Ranch	345.00	305			Cash donation to be used to sponsor the 2012 Homecoming Dance at Mead High School.
10/2/2012	Dr. Alan Hoskins	100.00	309			Donation of a camera and printer to support the Photography Class at Niwot High.
10/2/2012	Jeff Dierks	150.00	309			Donation of a camera and lens to be used to support the Photography Class at Niwot High.
10/2/2012	Susan Burnett & Family	100.00	309			Cash donation to be used to support the staff Walk-a-Thon at Niwot High.
	Brenda Everett	50.01	217			Donation of school supplies for the student store at Heritage Middle School.
	Elizabeth Linder	100.00	123			Donation of a heavy-duty stapler to be used at Central Elementary School.
	Office Max	1,088.10				Donation of two boxes of office supplies for the A Day made Better Contest at Eagle Crest Elementary.
	Freda Bishop	20.00	254			Cash donation to be used for the purchase of supplies for the parent/teacher conference dinners at Altona.
	Elizabeth Benson	15.00	254			Cash donation to be used for the purchase of supplies for the parent/teacher conference dinners at Altona.
	Hainline Family Foundation	500.00	254			Cash donation to be used to support the Band Program at Altona Middle School.
	•	370.00	254			Cash donation to be used to support the Band Program at Altona Middle School.  Cash donation to be used to support the yearbook program at Altona Middle School.
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	Black Rock PTO	923.56	146			Cash donation to be used for various items at Black Rock Elementary.
	Black Rock PTO	29,531.13		P	29531	Jog-a-Thon money raised for Paraprofessionals at Black Rock Elementary School.
	Antonucci Family	20.00				Cash donation to be used to support the Drama Program at Altona Middle School.
	Robert Rilling	385.00				Donation of various items to be used in the classrooms at Niwot Elementary School.
40/2/2040	Julie Nielson	20.00	254			Cash donation to be used for the purchase of supplies for the parent/teacher conference dinners at Altona.

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GIFT	DONOR	AMT/VALUE	LOC	PTO	AMT	DESCRIPTION				
	Karel VanDyke	25.00				Cash donation to be used for the purchase of supplies for the parent/teacher conference dinners at Altona.				
	Lisa Curtis	25.00	254			Cash donation to be used for the purchase of supplies for the parent/teacher conference dinners at Altona.				
	Shawna Sands	50.00	254			Cash donation to be used for the purchase of supplies for the parent/teacher conference dinners at Altona.				
	Patricia Bicknell	50.00	254			Cash donation to be used for the purchase of supplies for the parent/teacher conference dinners at Altona.				
	Education Foundation for the St. Vrain Valley	400.00	311		004	Cash donation to be used for technology purchases at Erie High School.				
	Mead Mavericks Booster Club	201.00	305	Р	201	Cash donation to be used for the French Club at Mead High.				
	Rocky Mtn. Bird Observatory	584.32	148			Cash donation to be used for bus costs for 2nd Grade field trip to Bird Observatory for students at Red Hawk Elem.				
	Adele Mattox	20.00	215	_	000	Cash donation to be used for the school magazine fundraiser at Sunset Middle School.				
	Niwot Elementary PTAC	661.99	131	Р	662	Cash donation to be used for the purchase of toner cartridges for the computer lab at Niwot Elementary.				
	Mary Carol Williams	25.00	125			Cash donation to be used for the STEM Program at Erie Elementary School.				
	Anne Turner	10.00	254 254			Cash donation to be used for the purchase of supplies for the parent/teacher conference dinners at Altona.				
	Dianne Suess	20.00				Cash donation to be used for the purchase of supplies for the parent/teacher conference dinners at Altona.				
	Maya Willis-Tindall Sara Hinklin	40.00	254 254			Cash donation to be used for the purchase of supplies for the parent/teacher conference dinners at Altona.  Cash donation to be used for the purchase of supplies for the parent/teacher conference dinners at Altona.				
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	Red Hawk Elementary PTO Heidi Schmutz	83.75 15.00	149 147	-	84	Cash donation to be used for the purchase of classroom supplies at Red Hawk Elementary.				
10/5/2012		15.00	147			Cash donation to be used for a birthday book donation at Blue Mountain Elementary.				
		1,000.00	125			Cash donation to be used for 2nd Grade classrooms at Sanborn Elementary.				
10/5/2012	Target Samantha Jensen	100.00	254			Cash donation to be used to provide resources to improve student success at Erie Elementary.  Cash donation to be used for the purchase of supplies for the parent/teacher conference dinners at Altona.				
	Samantna Jensen Shelly Knight		254							
	Pamela Ash	10.00				Cash donation to be used for the purchase of supplies for the parent/teacher conference dinners at Altona.				
	Blue Mountain PTO	30.00	254 147	Р	10000	Cash donation to be used for the purchase of supplies for the parent/teacher conference dinners at Altona.				
		10,000.00		Р	10000	Cash donation to be used for PARA staff salaries at Blue Mountain Elementary.				
	Sarh Blisk Kymberly Zona	15.00	254 254			Cash donation to be used for the purchase of supplies for the parent/teacher conference dinners at Altona.				
	•	200.00 50.00	254			Cash donation to be used for the purchase of supplies for the parent/teacher conference dinners at Altona.				
	Amy Gibbs Kathleen Frank	50.00	254			Cash donation to be used for the purchase of supplies for the parent/teacher conference dinners at Altona.				
	Fall River Communications Council - PTO	660.90	144	Р	661	Cash donation to be used for the purchase of supplies for the parent/teacher conference dinners at Altona.  Cash donation to be used for transportation for the 4th grade field trip at Fall River Elementary.				
10/10/2012		500.00	122	F	001	Cash donation to be used for Odyssey of the Mind registration fees for students at Burlington Elementary.				
	Adin Heinritz	24.00	215			Cash donation to be used for the school magazine fundraiser at Sunset Middle School.				
	Jing Wang	100.00	254			Cash donation to be used to support the Orchestra Program at Altona Middle School.				
	Home Depot	100.00	221			Donation of a roll of housewrap to be used as portable screens at Coal Ridge Middle School.				
	Mtn. View Elementary PTO	426.52		Р	427	Cash donation to be used for Weekly Readers for 2nd & 3rd grade classrooms at Mtn. View Elementary.				
	Lenny Karsen & Darcia Sanders	1,225.00	128	•	721	Donation of telescopes for the MESA Program at Lyons Elementary School.				
10/15/2012	,	50.00	124			Donation of two gift cards to be used for school supplies/materials for Columbine Elementary.				
	Carolyn McCullough	35.00	122			Cash donation to be used in Mrs. King's 5th grade class at Burlington Elementary for supplies for students.				
10/16/2012		190.00	305			Donation of 2 Bronco tickets for the silent auction at Mead High School.				
	Wells Fargo Foundation	500.00	130			Cash donation to be used for bus transportation to the museum and purchase of classroom magazines at Mtn. View.				
	Colorado First Properties	100.00	309			Cash donation to be used to support the staff Walk-a-Thon at Niwot High.				
	Steve Tocco	275.00	149			Donation of new and used paperback books for the 3rd grade classroom at Red Hawk Elementary.				
	Chris & Karen Padwick	15.00	147			Cash donation to be used for a birthday book donation at Blue Mountain Elementary.				
	Anonymous	1,500.00	312			Cash donation to be used for the Drama Program at Longmont High School.				
	Mead Mavericks Booster Club	999.00	305	Р	999	Cash donation to be used for the purchase of a cello fro the Orchestra Program at Mead High School.				
	Madonna & Richard Cunday	30.00	215	-		Cash donation to be used to help students pay their science class fee for 7th grade at Sunset Middle School.				
	Ryan Kloss/Flatirons Aviation	500.00				Donation of assorted items to be used for students at Prairie Ridge Elementary.				
	First United Methodist Church	253.10				Cash donation to be used to assist with student needs at Spangler Elementary.				
	Blue Mountain PTO	494.00	147	Р	494	Cash donation to be used for the 1st Grade field trip for students at Blue Mountain Elementary.				
	Mr. & Mrs. Tim Bevan	100.00	309	-		Cash donation to be used to support the staff Walk-a-Thon at Niwot High.				
	Erie Elementary PTO	600.00	125	Р	600	Cash donation to be used for the STEM Program at Erie Elementary School.				
	Mr. & Mrs. Robert Dunlap	25.00	309			Cash donation to be used to support the Band Program at Niwot High School.				
	Education Foundation for the St. Vrain Valley	1,500.00	318			Cash donation to be used for book set purchases for students at Frederick High School.				
	Education Foundation for the St. Vrain Valley	350.00	305			Cash donation to be used for the Music Department at Mead High School.				
	Education Foundation for the St. Vrain Valley	360.00	147			Cash donation to be used for the Music Program at Blue Mountain Elementary.				
	Education Foundation for the St. Vrain Valley	100.00	140			Cash donation to be used for the 3rd Grade spelling dictionaries for students at Sanborn Elementary.				
	Education Foundation for the St. Vrain Valley	700.00	140			Cash donation to be used for the purchase of a document camera and projector for the preschool at Sanborn.				
	Education Foundation for the St. Vrain Valley	500.00	140			Cash donation to be used for the 5th Grade field trip to Young Ameritowne for students at Sanborn.				
10/23/2012	Euucation Foundation tol the St. Viain Valley									
	,		140			Cash donation to be used for intervention software for the school psychologist at Sanborn Elementary.				
10/23/2012	Education Foundation for the St. Vrain Valley  Education Foundation for the St. Vrain Valley  Education Foundation for the St. Vrain Valley	360.00 400.00	140 148			Cash donation to be used for intervention software for the school psychologist at Sanborn Elementary.  Cash donation to be used for the special education program at Centennial Elementary.				

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10/23/2012	Education Foundation for the St. Vrain Valley	400.00				Cash donation to be used for the purchase of math manipulatives for students at Heritage Middle School.		
	Education Foundation for the St. Vrain Valley	400.00				Cash donation to be used for iPod use for the Math Enrichment Program at Heritage Middle School.		
	Education Foundation for the St. Vrain Valley	800.00				Cash donation to be used for the trip to International Towne for students at Heritage Middle School.		
10/23/2012	Education Foundation for the St. Vrain Valley	600.00				Cash donation to be used for starter lab materials for the Science Program at Heritage Middle School.		
	Education Foundation for the St. Vrain Valley	400.00				Cash donation to be used for the 8th Grade College & Career Field Trip for students at Heritage Middle School.		
10/23/2012	Education Foundation for the St. Vrain Valley	600.00				Cash donation to be used for navel sets for English Language Learners at Heritage Middle School.		
	Education Foundation for the St. Vrain Valley	400.00				Cash donation to be used for the purchase of classroom reading books for students at Heritage Middle School.		
10/23/2012	Education Foundation for the St. Vrain Valley	400.00				Cash donation to be used for the purchase of an iPad for classroom use at Black Rock Elementary.		
	Education Foundation for the St. Vrain Valley	500.00				Cash donation to be used for the 5th grade class at Erie Elementary School.		
	Education Foundation for the St. Vrain Valley	400.00				Cash donation to be used for the Gifted and Talented Class at Erie Elementary.		
	Education Foundation for the St. Vrain Valley	400.00				Cash donation to be used to create interactive literacy carts for the classrooms at Heritage Middle School.		
	Education Foundation for the St. Vrain Valley	400.00	217			Cash donation to be used to purchase an iPad to integrate literacy and art at Heritage Middle School.		
	Education Foundation for the St. Vrain Valley	400.00	131			Cash donation to be used for the purchase of an iPad for the art teacher at Niwot Elementary.		
	Education Foundation for the St. Vrain Valley	400.00	130			Cash donation to be used for technology for Sandy Stubblefield's classroom at Mtn. View Elementary.		
	Education Foundation for the St. Vrain Valley	400.00	130			Cash donation to be used for technology for Jasmine McGarr's classroom at Mtn. View Elementary.		
	Education Foundation for the St. Vrain Valley	400.00	130			Cash donation to be used for technology for Christine Thomas's classroom at Mtn. View Elementary.		
	Education Foundation for the St. Vrain Valley	450.00	130			Cash donation to be used for listening centers for classrooms at Mtn. View Elementary.		
	Education Foundation for the St. Vrain Valley	136.00				Cash donation to be used for books for classrooms at Mtn. View Elementary.		
	Education Foundation for the St. Vrain Valley	700.00				Cash donation to be used for library technology at Mtn. View Elementary.		
	Education Foundation for the St. Vrain Valley	250.00				Cash donation to be used for field trips at Mtn. View Elementary.		
	Education Foundation for the St. Vrain Valley	400.00				Cash donation to be used for iPads for developing readers with digital devices at Frederick Elementary.		
	Education Foundation for the St. Vrain Valley	700.00				Cash donation to be used for a leveled book room at Frederick Elementary School.		
	Education Foundation for the St. Vrain Valley	360.00				Cash donation to be used for iPads for developing readers with digital devices at Frederick Elementary.		
	Education Foundation for the St. Vrain Valley	400.00				Cash donation to be used for the purchase of an iPad for the literacy teacher at Prairie Ridge Elementary.		
	Education Foundation for the St. Vrain Valley	150.00	144			Cash donation to be used for Centered Learning at Fall River Elementary.		
	Carol Elliott	20.00	254			Cash donation to be used to support the Band Program at Altona Middle School.		
	Lyons Community Foundation Lyons Community Foundation	500.00 610.00	128 128			Cash donation to be used for seating options for the 5th grade classroom at Lyons Elementary School.		
	Lyons Community Foundation	1,500.00				Cash donation to be used for materials testing for the Music Program at Lyons Elementary School.  Cash donation to be used for the purchase of ukulele's for the Music Program at Lyons Elementary School.		
	Lyons Community Foundation	1,000.00				Cash donation to be used for the purchase of technology for the 1st grade classroom at Lyons Elementary.		
10/24/2012		1,500.00				Cash donation to be used for the STEM Program at Spangler Elementary.		
	Abigail Kilcayne	270.00				Cash donation to be used for the purchase of books for the library at Sunset Middle School.		
	Elaine Swenson	30.00				Donation of hand sanitizer, disinfectant wipes and facial tissue for health & wellness at Niwot High.		
	Darren Winkelhake & Elizabeth Hummel	400.00	215			Cash donation to be used for art supplies for the 8th grade art classes at Sunset Middle School,.		
	Education Foundation for the St. Vrain Valley	400.00	144			Cash donation to be used for the Power of Assistive Technology at Fall River Elementary.		
	Tamara Carson	30.00	254			Cash donation to be used to support the performing arts fundraiser at Altona Middle School.		
	Sarah Meshak	50.00	254			Cash donation to be used to support the performing arts fundraiser at Altona Middle School.		
	Ted Rehage	15.00	254			Cash donation to be used to support the performing arts fundraiser at Altona Middle School.		
	Sarah Meshak	30.00	254			Cash donation to be used to support the performing arts fundraiser at Altona Middle School.		
	Deborah Smith	150.00				Cash donation to be used to support the performing arts fundraiser at Altona Middle School.		
	Fall River Communications Council - PTO	502.21	144	Р	502	Cash donation to be used for music classroom supplies at Fall River Elementary.		
	Fall River Communications Council - PTO	435.23	144	P	435	Cash donation to be used for the kindergarten field trip at Fall River Elementary.		
	Education Foundation for the St. Vrain Valley	200.00				Cash donation to be used for Science We Can Read at Fall River Elementary.		
	Araby Leary	300.00				Donation of three pine bookshelves for classroom use at Longs Peak Middle School.		
	Robert Avery	50.00	305			Cash donation to be used for the Band Program at Mead High School		
	William Funk & Mary Sue Dart	50.00	215			Cash donation to be used for the purchase of supplies for the Orchestra Program at Sunset Middle.		
	Dr. Vivian Schneider	25.00	310			Cash donation to be used for the Orchestra Program at Skyline High School.		
	Mertz Family Dentistry	508.00	147			Cash donation to be used for the Candy Buy Back Program at Blue Mountain Elementary.		
11/5/2012	Marc Alber/Boulder Dental Group	112.00	122			Cash donation to be used at the principal's discretion for students at Burlington Elementary School.		
	R.D. Metttzner	29.00	254			Cash donation to be used to support the performing arts fundraiser at Altona Middle School.		
	Douglas & Laura Koenig	20.00	305			Cash donation to be used for the Band Program at Mead High School		
	Eagle Crest PTO	299.99	142	Р	300	Donation of playground equipment to be used at Eagle Crest Elementary.		
	Eagle Crest PTO	1,213.58	142	Р	1214	Cash donation to be used for field trip transportation costs for students at Eagle Crest Elementary.		
11/6/2012	Donna Krische	20.00				Cash donation to be used for the Band Program at Mead High School		
	Francis Wright	150.00				Donation of school supplies and backpacks for students at Burlington Elementary.		
	Niwot Elementary PTAC	304.13	131	Р	304	Cash donation to be used for the purchase of books for the classroom at Niwot Elementary.		
	Black Rock PTO	704.98	146	Р	705	Cash donation to be used for therapy stretch bands and 5th grade teacher conference registration at Black Rock.		
11/7/2012	Black Rock PTO	169.90	146	Р	170	Cash donation to be used for the purchase of ten therapy balls for 3rd grade students at Black Rock Elementary.		

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11/7/2012	Shawn & Katherine Brennan		50.00	215			Cash donation to be used for the purchase of supplies for the Orchestra Program at Sunset Middle.		
	Robert Smith		25.00	148			Cash donation to be used for student activities at Centennial Elementary.		
	School Store		775.00	148			Cash donation (fundraiser) for classroom materials at Centennial Elementary.		
	EnCana Oil & Gas Co.		34,000.00	221			Cash donation to be used to support a mobile computer lab at Coal Ridge Middle School.		
11/12/2012		`	200.00	305			Donation of a television to be used for audio-visual use in the classrooms at Mead High School.		
	Thelma Dameron		25.00	305			Cash donation to be used for the Band Program at Mead High School		
	E. M. Sweet		20.00	305			Cash donation to be used for the Band Program at Mead High School		
	Sang & Jalpa Kim		15.00	147			Cash donation to be used for a birthday book donation at Blue Mountain Elementary.		
	Lyons Middle/Senior Booster Club		7,026.66		Р	7027	Cash donation to be used for art, band, choir, athletics and club wrestling at Lyons Middle/Senior High.		
	Kevin & Diane Reynolds		50.00	305	Г		Cash donation to be used for the Band Program at Mead High School		
	Black Rock PTO		345.00	146	Р		Cash donation to be used to rure band i logialli at Mead Flight School  Cash donation to be used to purchase 5 ActivWands for Kindergarten Interactive Boards at Black Rock Elem.		
	Ziggi's Coffee		40.00	305	Г		Cash donation to be used for Girls Basketball at Mead High School.		
	Fall River Communications Council - PTO		119.80	144	Р		Cash donation to be used for PE classroom supplies at Fall River Elementary.		
	Robert Smith		25.00	148			Cash donation to be used for student activities at Centennial Elementary.		
	lee & Wendy Keep		20.00	305			Cash donation to be used for the Band Program at Mead High School		
	James & Lori Evely	1	100.00	220			Cash donation to be used for the Band Program at Westview Middle School.		
	John & Kristen Delaney		30.00	220			Cash donation to be used for the Band Program at Westview Middle School.  Cash donation to be used for the Band Program at Westview Middle School.		
	Glenn Miller & Juliet Larsen		100.00	122			Cash donation to be used for the 5th Grade ski trip fundraiser at Central Elementary.		
	Steve & Sherie Dike-Wilhelm		25.00	122			Cash donation to be used for the 5th Grade ski trip fundraiser at Central Elementary.		
11/30/2012			4,400.00				Cash donation to be used to support the STEM Program at Skyline High School.		
	John & Joni Creighton		50.00	122			Cash donation to be used for the 5th Grade ski trip fundraiser at Central Elementary.		
12/1/2012			20.00	137			Gift card for 5th grade curriculum, "Growing Up", at Rocky Mtn. Elementary.		
	Forest Oil Corp.		250.00	221			Donation of used mice with connectors to be used on school computers at Coal Ridge Middle School.		
	Melanie Sidwell		10.00	147			Cash donation to be used for a birthday book donation at Blue Mountain Elementary.		
12/3/2012			400.00	126			Cash donation to be used for the purchase of classroom supplies at Frederick Elementary.		
	Lindsey & David Reeder		15.00	147			Cash donation to be used for a birthday book donation at Blue Mountain Elementary.		
	Merry McMahan (Wertz)		40.00	125			Cash donation to be used for material fees at Erie Elementary School.		
	Hygiene Elementary PTO		231.13	123	Р	231	Cash donation to be used for infaterial fees at the Elementary School.  Cash donation to be sued for art supplies and field trips at Hygiene Elementary.		
	Mtn. View Elementary PTO		375.00		Р		Cash donation to be used to provide a Perry Conway Presentation to the student body at Mtn. View Elementary.		
	Black Rock PTO		1,024.17		Р		Cash donation to be used for ActivWands for classroom white boards and reading books for 5th graders at Black Rock.		
	Cyberlink Corporation		100.00				Cash donation to be used for files for the office at Alpine Elementary.		
	Fall River Communications Council - PTO		149.55		Р		Cash donation to be used for music classroom supplies at Fall River Elementary.		
	Cyberlink Corporation		100.00		•		Donation of two large 5-drawer file cabinets with locks to be used at Alpine Elementary.		
	Mark Moller	1	2,000.00	128			Cash donation to be used for student needs at Lyons Elementary.		
	First United Methodist Church		500.00	132			Cash donation to be used for gift cards for families in need at Spangler Elementary.		
	First United Methodist Church		243.07	132			Cash donation to be used for the purchase of library books for Spangler Elementary.		
	Blue Ribbon Farms		200.00	123			Cash donation to be used for the 5th grade fundraiser at Central Elementary.		
	Alfonso Amparan		2,000.00	123			Cash donation to be used for the benefit of students at Burlington Elementary.		
	Eagle Crest PTO		2,000.00	142	Р	2000	Cash donation to be used for Eagle Crest kindergarten teacher fees and subs for conference.		
	Columbine Lions Club		100.00			2000	Cash donation to be used for the Mead High School Orchestra.		
	Burlington Elementary School Foundation		14,000.00	122	Р	14000	Cash donation to be used for the Mead Flight School Orchestra.  Cash donation to assist students and staff at Burlington Elementary.		
	St. John the Baptist Catholic Church		2,910.00		, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,		Donation of holiday gifts for all students at Spangler Elementary.		
12/10/2012	on contrato Dapase Ganono Oriatori		2,010.00	102			Solution of Holiday gine for all olddorlio at oparigior Elementary.		
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	Total Gifts Reported 10/1/12 - 12/31/12	\$ 2	36,954.55						
	Parent Group Donations		14,369.44						
	. a. o. a. o. o. o. p. o. c. a. o.		. 1,000.77						
	TOTAL GIFTS 2012-2013	\$ 31	55,279.68						
	TOTAL PARENT GROUP DONATIONS	Ψ	<b>76,246.89</b>						

2012-13 PUBLIC GIFTS TO THE SCHOOLS  Reported between July 1, 2012 and December 31, 2012										
Reported bety	veen July 1, 2012 a	and December 31, 2	2012							
School	General Gifts	Parent Group Gifts	Total Gifts							
Dullanta	ф 0.407.00	<b>*</b> 44.000.00	ф 47.407.00							
Burlington	\$ 3,487.00	\$ 14,000.00	\$ 17,487.00							
Central	1,100.00	-	1,100.00							
Columbine	2,944.44	-	2,944.44							
Erie Elementary	4,537.46	600.00	5,137.46							
Frederick Elementary	3,360.00	7 040 00	3,360.00							
Hygiene	5,250.00	7,618.62	12,868.62							
Lyons Elementary	6,950.00	-	6,950.00							
Mead Elementary	371.82	26.00	397.82							
Mountain View	4,325.47	1,051.52	5,376.99							
Niwot Elementary	835.00	23,045.79	23,880.79							
Spangler Northridge	6,561.77	-	6,561.77							
Northridge	-	-	-							
Loma Linda	-	-	-							
Longmont Estates	4 055 00	- 000.04	- 4 4 4 4 0 4							
Rocky Mountain	1,355.00	3,086.34	4,441.34							
Indian Peaks	-	-	-							
Legacy	- 0.000.00	-	0.005.44							
Sanborn	3,660.00	6,225.44	9,885.44							
Alpine	5,305.00	998.00	6,303.00							
Eagle Crest	1,088.10	7,245.59	8,333.69							
Prairie Ridge	900.00	215.00	1,115.00							
Fall River	750.00	1,946.44	2,696.44							
Black Rock	400.00	68,787.82	69,187.82							
Blue Mountain	1,098.00	17,564.32	18,662.32							
Centennial	1,834.32	- 00.75	1,834.32							
Red Hawk	365.00	83.75	448.75							
Sunset	3,921.00	500.00	4,421.00							
Longs Peak	300.00	-	300.00							
Heritage	5,193.11	-	5,193.11							
Mead Middle	1 220 00	-	1 220 00							
Westview	1,330.00	-	1,330.00							
Coal Ridge	34,955.95	-	34,955.95							
Trail Ridge	- 50.00	-	- -							
Erie Middle Altona	50.00	-	50.00 7,060.00							
Olde Columbine	7,060.00	-	·							
	1,000.00	1 200 00	1,000.00							
Mead High Niwot High	4,836.00	1,200.00	6,036.00							
Skyline	21,840.00 5,925.00	-	21,840.00 5,925.00							
Erie High		-	2,100.00							
Longmont High	2,100.00 6,670.00	800.00	7,470.00							
Silver Creek	150.00	500.00	150.00							
Frederick High	1,500.00	-	1,500.00							
CDC	6,124.43		6,124.43							
Lyons Middle Senior	1,200.00	21,252.26	22,452.26							
All Other Departments	18,398.92	Z 1,ZJZ.ZU -	18,398.92							
All Other Departments	\$ 179,032.79	\$ 176,246.89	\$ 355,279.68							
	Ψ 173,032.19	¥ 170,240.09	Ψ 333,213.00							

DATE: January 9, 2013

TO: Board of Education

FROM: Dr. Don Haddad, Superintendent of Schools

SUBJECT: Safety Initiative Update

## <u>PURPOSE</u>

For the Board of Education to receive an update on the District's Safety Initiative.

## **BACKGROUND**

Stacy Davis, Security and Emergency Manager, will be available to report to the Board of Education on the results of the District's Safety Initiative.

				Non-FMLA					
Effective	Name	Position/Location	FMLA	Medical	Personal	Extended	Resigned	Retired	Comments
	e/Professional/Technical								
12/28/2012	Brodie, Tiffany	Student Services Specialist/Student Services					Х		
Licensed									
12/5/2012	Hargett, Deborah	Kindergarten Teacher/Northridge Elementary					Х		
11/27/2012	Garston, Alison	Teacher/Mead Elementary	Х						
11/26/2012	Elsen, Erin	Teacher/Legacy	Х						
12/18/2012	Deines, Kimberly	Program Coordinator/Colorado Preschool					Х		
	. ,	Integrated Academic Arts Coord/Hygiene							
12/18/2012	Boeke, Janet	Elementary						Х	23 Years
12/7/2012	Clear, Melissa	Counselor/Loma Linda		Х					
12/7/2012	Saenz, Kaitlyn	Teacher/Mead High	Х						
Classified									
12/18/2012	Nye, Carmel	Nutrition Services Worker/Erie Elementary						Х	8 years
10/12/2012	Hayden, Gwyn	Speech Therapist/Student Services					Х		,
12/18/2012	Bergstrom, Linda	Nutrition Services Worker/Columbine Elementary					Х		
12/15/2012	Gaffney, Denise	Special Ed Para/Longmont Estates Elementary					Х		
1/4/2013	Strayer, Michelle	Instructional Para/Red Hawk Elementary					Х		
12/18/2012	Doyle, Donna	Nutrition Services Worker/Longmont Estates Elementary						Х	5 years
12/14/2012	Marler, Jason	175 Day Custodian/Erie Middle School					Х		
12/10/2012	Davis, Cecil	Painter/O&M	Х						
11/30/2012	Martinson, Brittney	Tutor/Olde Columbine	Х						
12/18/2012	Ludeman, Janelle	200 Day Secretary/Niwot High School					Х		
11/12/2012	Dean, Harold	Custodian/Custodial	Х						
11/26/2012	Patrick, Margaret	Bus Driver/Transporation	Х						
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HIRE DATE		Position	Location	New Position	Replacement
	ADMINISTRATIVE/PROFE	SSIONAL/TECHNICAL			-
	LICENSED				
12/10/2012	Udovich, Christine	Teacher	APEX Program		X
	CLASSIFIED				
12/10/2012	Seery, Christina	Child Care Director	Black Rock Elementary		X
12/10/2012	Vander Velde, Deanne	Health Clerk	Northridge Elementary	+	X
12/14/2012	Anderson, Hope	Child Care Director	Mountain View Elementary	+	X
1/3/2013	Reid, Deana	Instructional Para	Niwot Elementary		X
1/2/2013	Dragon, Carroll	Media Tech	Loma Linda Elementary	+	X
1/2/2013	Diagon, Carroll	INIEGIA LECIT	Loma Linda Elementary		^
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DATE: January 9, 2013

TO: Board of Education

FROM: Dr. Don Haddad, Superintendent of Schools

SUBJECT: Approval of Board of Education Meeting Minutes

## **RECOMMENDATION**

That the Board of Education approve the minutes from the December Regular Meeting.

## **BACKGROUND**

The Board will be asked to approve the minutes for the December 12, 2012 Regular Meeting.

DATE: January 9, 2013

TO: Board of Education

FROM: Dr. Don Haddad, Superintendent of Schools

SUBJECT: Approval of Designated Posting Locations for Notice of 2013 St.

Vrain Valley Board of Education Meetings

### RECOMMENDATION

That the Board of Education approve the following designated posting locations for notice of meetings of this District's Board of Education for the 2013 calendar year:

The Educational Services Center Lobby
The Longmont Public Library
The St. Vrain Valley School District Website

## **BACKGROUND**

This recommendation, to designate the posting locations for public notification of meetings of the St. Vrain Valley School District Board of Education, is made to comply with Section 24-6-402(2)(c), Colorado Revised Statutes, which states in part:

"Any meetings at which the adoption of any proposed policy, position, resolution, rule, regulation, or formal action occurs or at which a majority or quorum of the body is in attendance, or is expected to be in attendance, shall be held only after full and timely notice to the public. In addition to any other means of full and timely notice, a local public body shall be deemed to have given full and timely notice if the notice of the meeting is posted in a designated public place within the boundaries of the local public body no less than twenty-four hours prior to the holding of the meeting. The public place or places for posting such notice shall be designated annually at the local public body's first regular meeting of each calendar year. The posting shall include specific agenda information where possible."

DATE: January 9, 2013

TO: Board of Education

FROM: Dr. Don Haddad, Superintendent of Schools

SUBJECT: Second Reading, Adoption, Board Policies/Regulations/Exhibits EHC -

Technology, Access and Digital Communication; JICDE – Bullying Prevention and Education; JK – Student Discipline; JK-R – Student Discipline (Remedial Discipline Plans); JKD/JKE – Suspension/Expulsion of Students; JKD/JKE-R – Suspension/Expulsion of Students; JKD/JKE-E – Grounds for Suspension/Expulsion; JLDAC – Screening/Testing of

Students

## RECOMMENDATION

That the Board of Education approve the proposed revisions to the following Board Policies/Regulations/Exhibits:

EHC – Technology, Access and Digital Communication

JICDE – Bullying Prevention and Education

JK - Student Discipline

JK-R – Student Discipline (Remedial Discipline Plans)

JKD/JKE - Suspension/Expulsion of Students

JKD/JKE-R – Suspension/Expulsion of Students

JKD/JKE-E – Grounds for Suspension/Expulsion

JLDAC – Screening/Testing of Students

## **BACKGROUND**

Revisions to these policies are necessary due to alignment with current practice, procedure, and applicable statutes and have been reviewed by District administration.

These Board policy changes were first discussed at the December 12, 2012 Regular Board meeting.

### STRATEGIC PLAN CORRELATION

Focus Area – All Category - All

File: EHC

## **Technology, Access and Digital Communication**

The Board is committed to connecting students and staff with each other and with resources around the world for improved collaboration and fast access to current information. Similarly, the Board is committed to providing access to information and expert resources for all of our students. Our students and staff both consume and create information, and it is the job of the District to provide safe and reliable opportunities and spaces for students and staff to do both.

Students and staff not only need access to valuable information and to available experts around the world, they need to develop the ability to locate, access, evaluate, communicate and apply current information. Developments of these abilities are a fundamental educational outcome for all St. Vrain Valley students.

In pursuit of these commitments, the Board has directed the Superintendent to equip schools and offices with adequate technology equipment and to create and maintain a network that interconnects all District facilities.

Furthermore, the District shall provide access to the Internet via said network. Computer, network and Internet use are privileges the Board wants to offer staff, students, and guests of the District, but these privileges are subject to certain standards of use. They are also subject to the ongoing availability of resources for support and for upgrades to equipment and infrastructure, and to necessary procedures and restrictions imposed for the purpose of managing networks and systems, all with the end goal of supporting teaching and learning within the District.

The District shall serve as stewards of the work produced by students and staff on District-provided resources by allowing access in such a way as to permit students to collect work over time and to take that work with them.

Technology is constantly in flux, but the security, safety and opportunity of and for our staff and students is paramount. Staff and students are encouraged to use our networks in support of teaching and learning, recognizing that there is an inherent responsibility to protect one's self, others, and property in the process. To minimize risk, the District employs a number of tools and monitoring technologies, such as filters, designed to comply with relevant laws as well as to create a reasonable expectation of safety. It is ultimately up to each individual student or staff member to be responsible for his or her use of these networks and to understand the specifics of EHC-R and other policies as they pertain to computer, network and Internet use. The District shall provide web filtering that blocks material and information that is obscene, child pornography or otherwise harmful to minors, as defined by the Superintendent, in compliance with Federal and State mandates.

File: EHC

Adopted September 27, 1995 Revised April 10, 2002 Revised March 9, 2005 Revised May 12, 2010

LEGAL REFS.: 47 U.S.C. 254(h) Children's Internet Protection Act of 2000

47 U.S.C. 231 Child Online Protection Act of 1998

20 U.S.C. 6801 et seq. Elementary and Secondary Education

Act

CRS 24-72-201 et seq. Colorado Open Records Act CRS 24-80-101 et seq. State archives and public records

CROSS REF.: EGAEA, Electronic Mail

JRA/JRC, Student Records/Release of Information on

Students

JRA/JRC-E, Student Records/Release of Information on

Students

St. Vrain Valley School District RE-1J, Longmont, Colorado

File: JICDE

## **Bullying Prevention and Education**

The Board of Education supports a safe school climate, conducive to teaching and learning that is free from threat, harassment and any type of bullying behavior. The purpose of this policy is to promote consistency of approach and to help create a climate in which all types of bullying are regarded as unacceptable.

Bullying is the use of coercion or intimidation to obtain control over another person or to cause physical, mental or emotional harm to another person. Bullying can occur through written, verbal or electronically transmitted expression or by means of a physical act or gesture. Bullying is prohibited against any student for any reason, including but not limited to any such behavior that it is directed toward a student on the basis of his or her academic performance or any basis protected by federal and state law, including disability, race, creed, color, sex, sexual orientation, national origin, religion, ancestry or the need for special education services, whether such characteristic(s) is actual or perceived.

Bullying is prohibited on District property, at District or school-sanctioned activities and events, when students are being transported in any vehicle dispatched by the District or one of its schools, or off school property when such conduct has a nexus to school or any District curricular or non-curricular activity or event.

A student who engages in any act of bullying and/or a student who takes any retaliatory action against a student, who reports in good faith an incident of bullying, is subject to appropriate disciplinary action including but not limited to suspension, expulsion and/or referral to law enforcement authorities. The severity and pattern, if any, of the bullying behavior shall be taken into consideration when disciplinary decisions are made. Bullying behavior that constitutes unlawful discrimination or harassment shall be subject to investigation and discipline under related Board policies and procedures. Students targeted by bullying when such bullying behavior may constitute unlawful discrimination or harassment also have additional rights and protections under Board policies and procedures regarding unlawful discrimination and harassment.

The principal of each District school shall develop a program to address bullying appropriate for the age level served by that school. The program shall be aimed toward accomplishing the following goals:

- 1. To send a clear message to students, staff, parents and community members that bullying and retaliation against a student who reports bullying will not be tolerated.
- 2. To train staff and students in taking pro-active steps to prevent bullying from occurring.
- 3. To implement procedures for immediate intervention, investigation, and confrontation of students engaged in bullying behavior.

File: JICDE

- 4. To initiate efforts to change the behavior of students engaged in bullying behaviors through re-education on acceptable behavior, discussions, counseling, and appropriate negative consequences.
- 5. To foster a productive partnership with parents/guardians and community members in order to help maintain a bully-free environment.
- 6. To support victims of bullying by means of individual and peer counseling.
- 7. To help develop peer support networks, social skills and confidence for all students.
- 8. To recognize and praise positive, supportive behaviors of students toward one another on a regular basis.

Adopted: May 8, 2002

Revised September 28, 2005 Revised December 14, 2011

LEGAL REFS.: C.R.S. 22-32-109.1 (2)(a)(X)(I)(K) (policy required as part of safe

schools plan)

CROSS REFS.: AC, Nondiscrimination/Equal Opportunity

ACE, Nondiscrimination on the Basis of Disability EHC, Technology, Access and Digital Communication

JB, Equal Educational Opportunities

JBB, Sexual Harassment JICDA, Code of Conduct JK, Student Discipline

File: JK

## **Student Discipline**

The Board believes that effective student discipline is a prerequisite for sound educational practice and productive learning. The objectives of disciplining any student must be to help the student develop a positive attitude toward self-discipline and socially acceptable behavior.

All policies and procedures for handling general and major student discipline problems shall be designed to achieve these broad objectives. Disorderly students shall be dealt with in a manner which allows other students to learn in an atmosphere which is safe, conducive to the learning process and free from unnecessary disruptions.

The Board, in accordance with state law, has adopted a written student conduct and discipline code based upon the principle that every student is expected to follow accepted rules of conduct and to show respect for and to obey persons in authority. The code also emphasizes that certain behavior, especially behavior that disrupts the classroom, is unacceptable and may result in disciplinary action. The code shall emphasize proportionate disciplinary interventions and consequences, including inschool suspensions, and keeping students engaged in learning. The code shall also include plans for use of prevention, intervention, restorative justice, peer mediation, counseling, or other approaches to address student misconduct.

## Immunity for enforcement of discipline code

An act of a teacher or other employee shall not be considered child abuse if the act was performed in good faith and in compliance with Board policy and procedures.

A teacher or any other person acting in good faith and in compliance with the discipline code adopted by the Board shall be immune from civil liability unless the person is acting willfully or wantonly. It is an affirmative defense in any criminal action that a person is acting in good faith and in compliance with the discipline code.

## Disciplinary information to school personnel

In accordance with state law, the principal or designee is required to communicate disciplinary information concerning any student enrolled in the school to any teacher who has direct contact with the student in the classroom and to any counselor who has direct contact with the student. The purpose of this requirement is to keep school personnel apprised of situations that could pose a risk to the safety and welfare of others.

For purposes of this policy, "disciplinary information" means confidential records maintained by or in possession of the principal or designee on an individual student which indicate the student has committed an overt and willful act which constitutes a violation of the District's code of student conduct and/or there is reasonable cause to believe, through information provided to the principal from another credible source, that the student could pose a threat to the health and safety of other students and school personnel based on prior misbehavior.

File: JK

"Disciplinary information" is intended to include only that information of a serious nature that is not otherwise available to teachers and counselors as part of the education records maintained on students or other reports of disciplinary actions. It is appropriate for instructional staff members to request disciplinary information from the principal or designee on students in their classrooms if there is concern that the student poses a threat to the safety of other students or school officials.

Any teacher or counselor to whom disciplinary information is reported shall maintain the confidentiality of the information and shall not communicate it to any other person. The principal or designee is required to inform the student and the student's parent or guardian when disciplinary information is communicated and to provide a copy of the disciplinary information. The student and/or the student's parents or guardian may challenge the accuracy of disciplinary information through the administrative regulations which accompany this policy.

The District may share factual information regarding a behavior incident with parents of victims and witnesses as long as the disclosure does not indicate whether the perpetrator was found to be at fault or whether the perpetrator received any disciplinary consequences of the behavior.

## Remedial discipline plans

The principal may develop a remedial discipline plan for any student who causes a material and substantial disruption in the classroom, on school grounds, in school vehicles or at school activities or events. The goal of the remedial plan shall be to address the student's disruptive behavior and educational needs while keeping the child in school.

### Discipline of habitually disruptive students

Students who have been suspended three times for causing a caused a material and substantial disruption in the classroom, on school grounds, in school vehicles or at school activities or events three times during the school year in violation of their individual remedial discipline plans shall be declared habitually disruptive students. Any student enrolled in District schools may be subject to being declared a habitually disruptive student which may result in expulsion.

No student shall be declared habitually disruptive prior to the development and implementation of a remedial discipline plan. The remedial discipline plan is to address the child's disruptive behavior and their educational needs with the goal of keeping the child in school.

### Discipline of special education students

Appropriate discipline for special education students shall be in accordance with the student's individual education plan (IEP), any behavior intervention plan and this policy. In order to comply with all state and federal laws, the special education director shall be contacted prior to the use of any disciplinary measure which is not authorized by the student's IEP or behavior intervention plan.

File: JK

## Distribution of conduct and discipline code

The superintendent shall arrange to have the a copy of the conduct and discipline code distributed provided once to each student in elementary, middle and high school and once to each new student in the District. The superintendent shall ensure reasonable measures are taken to ensure each student is familiar with the code. Copies shall be posted in each school of the District. In addition, any significant change in the code shall be distributed to each student and posted in each school.

The Board shall consult with administrators, teachers, parents, students and other members of the community in the development of the conduct and discipline code.

Adopted February 28, 1969 Revised January 19, 1976 Revised August 8, 1984 Revised September 29, 1993 Revised September 25, 1996 Revised January 14, 1998 Revised September 9, 1998 Revised January 12, 2005 Revised August 12, 2009

LEGAL REFS.: C.R.S. 18-6-401 (1) Definition of child abuse

C.R.S. 22-32-109.1 (2)(a) Adoption and enforcement of <u>conduct and discipline</u> code

C.R.S. 22-32-109.1 (2)(a)(I) School district shall take reasonable measures to familiarize students with the conduct and discipline code

C.R.S. 22-32-109.1(2)(a)(III)(I)(C) Discipline of habitually disruptive students is required part of safe schools plan

C.R.S. 22-32-109.1 (3) Agreements with state agencies

C.R.S. 22-32-109.1 (9) Immunity provisions in safe schools law

C.R.S. 22-32-126 (5) Disciplinary information to staff

C.R.S. 22-33-106 (1) $\frac{\text{(a-e)}}{\text{(a-e)}}$  Grounds for suspension, expulsion and denial of admission

C.R.S 22-33-106 (1) (c.5) Habitually disruptive students

C.R.S. 22-33-202 Identification of at-risk students

Jensen v. Reeves, United States Court of Appeals for the 10<sup>th</sup> Circuit, Case # 99-4142, by Murphy, J.; Anderson, J.; and Kane, J. entered February 9, 2001. (schools can disclose disciplinary information to victims and witnesses in some circumstances)

CROSS REFS.: GBG, Liability of School Personnel/Staff Protection

JIC, Student Conduct, and subcodes

JK, Student Discipline, and subcodes (all relate to student discipline)

JKD/JKE-2, Suspension/Expulsion of Students with Disabilities

JKBA, Disciplinary Removal from Classroom

JRA/JRC, Student Records/Release of Information on Students

CONTRACT REF.: SVVEA Agreement, Article 18-Student Discipline

St. Vrain Valley School District RE-1J, Longmont, Colorado

## **Student Discipline**

(Remedial Discipline Plans)

## 1. Disciplinary information

Open communication between principals and the professional staff is essential to accomplish the educational mission of the District. It is recognized that principals have access to information about individual students that may not be otherwise available to others because this information is not recorded as part of the student's education record. To assure that information is shared with the professional staff that may be important to understanding the particular needs of individual students and any potential risk that a student might pose to the safety or welfare of others, state law requires that the principal take steps to communicate this information to teachers and counselors who have direct contact with the student.

In addition, to make sure that the information communicated is accurate, state law gives students and parents/guardians the right to challenge disciplinary information.

Whenever the principal or designee determines that disciplinary information as defined in beard policy must be communicated to a teacher or counselor, the following steps will be followed:

- a. The principal will prepare a brief written statement which sets forth the information to be communicated to a teacher or counselor pertaining to an individual student. If disciplinary information regarding a disabled student is transmitted, the current IEP must also be included. The statement will indicate it is a confidential document. The source of the information will be noted, if applicable.
- b. The principal will communicate the information in the statement to the teacher or counselor by providing a copy of the statement. Alternatively, the principal/designee may wait until the student/parent/guardian has had a chance to challenge the content of the statement before communicating the statement to any teachers or counselors. The teacher/counselor and principal/designee may discuss the information in the statement. The principal/designee will record the names of all individuals who are given a copy of the statement.
- c. A copy of the written statement regarding disciplinary information will be provided to the student and the student's parent or guardian. However, if a student is 18 years old or older, the student may choose to inspect their own records and the parent or guardian may not inspect or review student records without written permission from the student. Such student 18 years old or older will be known as an eligible student. However, if the eligible student is a dependent for federal income tax purposes, parents/guardians are entitled along with the student to access student records.

d. The principal/designee will take steps to see that the parent/guardian of a student under 18 years of age receives a copy of the statement, either by mailing a copy directly to them and/or alerting them to the fact that the statement has been sent to them, either by sending it home with their child or in the mail.

e. The written statement will indicate that the student and/or parent/guardian may challenge the accuracy of the disciplinary information on the basis that it is inaccurate, false or misleading unless the statement is solely a summary of an incident for which the student and parent/guardian has already been afforded a due process hearing prior to imposition of school discipline. In that case, the challenge procedures do not apply.

## 2. Challenges

The following procedures apply when an interested person challenges the statement of disciplinary information:

#### Step 1

A Step 1 review will be requested in writing within seven days after the receipt by the parent/guardian of the written statement. If the interested persons fail to file an intent to challenge within seven days after receiving a copy of the statement, the statement will stand as written and there will be no further opportunity to challenge that particular statement. If the parent/student challenges any part of the statement, the principal will review the part of the statement being challenged and may, by mutual agreement with the person making the challenge, destroy, delete or add the information in question.

#### Step 2

If the principal does not agree to change the written statement as requested during the Step 1 review, the parent/student may request an informal hearing with the superintendent within 10 days after the principal's decision not to change the written statement. This request must be in writing and will state the reasons for the request. The principal may file a written response to the parent's request for a Step 2 review to be considered by the superintendent. The superintendent will make a decision within 10 school days after receiving the request for Step 2 review. The superintendent may take whatever steps necessary to make a determination about the content of the statement, including discussing the matter with the parent/guardian and/or principal and making independent inquiries to determine the accuracy of the statement.

The superintendent may decide that the statement should be revised in accordance with the parent/guardian position or may decide to uphold the principal's statement as accurate. The superintendent's decision is final.

Once an appeal has been held on the disciplinary information contained in a statement, that statement may be communicated to teachers/counselors during the

school year without any further challenge. If the statement had been communicated prior to the conclusion of the challenge, and changes were made to the statement, the principal/designee will see that all those who received the original statement are provided a copy of the revised statement.

Any teacher or counselor who receives a statement containing disciplinary information will maintain the confidentiality of the information and will not communicate the information to any other person. A violation of this provision will result in appropriate disciplinary action.

## 3. Remedial discipline plans

The principal will develop a remedial discipline plan for every student who is suspended for the second time for a material and substantial disruption. (All references to duties performed by a principal may be delegated to other school officials as appropriate.)

The following provisions will apply to the remedial discipline plan:

- a. The principal has the discretion to develop a plan for any student prior to a suspension.
- b. To develop the plan, the principal will arrange for a meeting with the student, the student's parent/guardian and any members of the staff whom the principal believes should attend.
- c. The purpose of the meeting will be to address the reasons for the student's disruptive behavior and cooperatively to establish goals, objectives and timelines to modify such behavior. A written plan will be prepared which addresses the childstudent's disruptive behavior, specific educational needs and what steps are necessary to keep the child in school. The plan will include consequences if the student is disruptive in violation of the plan.
- d. The plan may be written in the form of a contract which the student, parent/guardian, and the principal/designee will sign and date.
- e. The parent/guardian will be provided a copy of the remedial discipline plan and it will be placed in the student's cumulative file.
- 4. Disruptive behavior by special education students will be dealt with in accordance with the student's individual education plan (IEP), any behavior intervention plan and Policy JK, Student Discipline. These procedures for disruptive student behavior apply only to the extent that staff members must file incident reports on disruptive behavior by all students. It will be the responsibility of the disciplinary officer and other appropriate District personnel to coordinate these procedures with a special education student's IEP and any behavior intervention plan.

## 5. Habitually disruptive students

A student will be declared "habitually disruptive" if he has been suspended three times during the course of the school year for causingthe student causes a material and substantial disruption in the classroom, on school grounds or at school activities or events caused by student behavior that was initiated, willful and overt.

- a. The principal will inform the superintendent or designee ifwhen a student is disruptive for the second time in violation of his or her remedial discipline plan.
- b. The student and the parent/guardian will be notified in writing of each <a href="mailto:suspension\_disruption">suspension\_disruption</a> which counts toward declaring the student habitually disruptive.
- c. District procedures for expulsion may be initiated when the student is suspended for the third time. The period of suspension will be extended, if necessary, to conduct an expulsion proceeding A student who has been declared habitually disruptive may be suspended or expelled in accordance with Board policy JKD/JKE.
- 6. The term "material and substantial disruption" includes but is not limited to the following willful or reckless conduct which causes a disruption in the classroom, on school grounds, in school vehicles or at school activities or events and which requires the attention of school personnel to deal with the disruption:
  - a. Making coarse and offensive utterances, gestures or displays
  - b. Abusing, harassing or threatening another person
  - c. Making loud or offensive noise
  - d. Violating any State Statute or Board policy governing student conduct
- 7. Expulsion prevention \*(This information is contained in Board policy JKG)

The principal is directed to work with the professional staff to identify students who are at risk of suspension or expulsion from school. Among those students who may be at risk are those who have been or are likely to be declared habitually truant or habitually disruptive.

Support services will be provided to students who are identified as at risk of suspension or expulsion to help them avoid expulsion. The parent/guardian will be included when determining an appropriate support service for the student. In some cases, a remedial discipline plan may be the means by which various intervention and prevention services are identified and made available to a student.

Support services to assist a student in avoiding an expulsion may also be available through local and state governmental agencies, community-based organizations and institutions of higher education.

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## Suspension/Expulsion of Students

The Board of Education shall provide due process of law to students, parents/guardians and school personnel through written procedures consistent with law for the suspension or expulsion of students and the denial of admission (see JKD/JKE-R).

The Board and its designee(s) may consider the following factors in determining whether to suspend or expel a student:

- 1. the student's age;
- 2. the student's disciplinary history:
- 3. the student's eligibility as a student with a disability;
- 4. the seriousness of the violation committed by the student;
- 5. the threat posed to any student or staff; and,
- 6. the likelihood that a lesser intervention would properly address the violation.

## **Delegation of authority**

- The Board of Education delegates to each principal of the school district or to a person designated in writing by the principal the power to suspend a student in his/her school for not more than five school days on the grounds stated in C.R.S. 22-33-106 (1) (a), (1) (b), (1) (c) or (1) (e) or not more than 10 school days on the grounds stated in C.R.S. 22-33-106 (1) (d) unless expulsion is mandatory under law (see Exhibit coded JKD/JKE-E).
- 2. The Board of Education delegates to the Superintendent the authority to suspend a student, in accordance with C.R.S. 22-33-105, for an additional 10 school days plus up to and including an additional 10 days necessary in order to present the matter to the Board. The total period of suspension shall not exceed 25 school days.
- 3. The Board of Education delegates to the Superintendent, or to a designee who shall serve as a hearing officer, the authority to deny admission to or expel for any period not extending beyond one year any student whom the Superintendent, in accordance with the limitations imposed by Title 22, Article 33, of the Colorado Revised Statutes, shall determine does not qualify for admission to or continued attendance at the public schools of the District. If the hearing is conducted by a designee serving as a hearing officer, the hearing officer shall prepare findings of fact and recommendations for the Superintendent at the conclusion of the hearing. The Superintendent shall render a written opinion in the expulsion matter within five days after the hearing, whether the hearing is conducted by the hearing officer or the Superintendent.

Denial of admission or expulsion by the Superintendent shall be subject to appeal to the Board. The appeal shall consist of a review of the facts that were presented, arguments relating to the decision and questions of clarification from the Board.

Each semester, the Superintendent will provide a written summary of expulsion information to the Board.

## Alternative to suspension

As an alternative to suspension, the principal or designee, at their discretion, may permit the student to remain in school with the consent of his/her teachers if his/her parent, guardian or legal custodian attends class with the student for a period of time specified by the principal or designee. If the parent, guardian or legal custodian does not agree or fails to attend class with the student, the student shall be suspended in accordance with the accompanying regulations.

This alternative to suspension shall not be used if expulsion proceedings have been or are about to be initiated or if the principal or designee determines that the student's presence in school, even if accompanied by a parent or guardian, would be disruptive to the operations of the school or be detrimental to the learning environment.

## Expulsion for unlawful sexual behavior or crime of violence

When a petition is filed in juvenile court or district court that alleges a student between the ages of 12 to 18 years has committed an offense that would constitute unlawful behavior or a crime of violence if committed by an adult, basic identification information, as defined in state law, along with the details of the alleged delinquent act or offense, is required by law to be provided immediately to the school district in which the juvenile is enrolled.

The information shall be used by the Board of Education to determine whether the student has exhibited behavior that is detrimental to the safety, welfare, and morals of the other students or school personnel and whether educating the student in the school may disrupt the learning environment in the school, provide a negative example for other students, or create a dangerous and unsafe environment for students, teachers, and other school personnel. The Board shall take appropriate disciplinary action, which may include suspension or expulsion, in accordance with the student code of conduct and related policies.

The Board may determine to wait until the conclusion of court proceedings to consider expulsion in which case it shall be the responsibility of the District to provide an alternative educational program for the student as specified in state law.

## Restrictions imposed on suspended/expelled students

#### 1. Suspension

During a period of suspension, a student shall not attend any classes or participate in any school or District activities or extracurricular activities or functions and shall not be present on any school grounds or on any school property within the District without the express advance consent of the suspending principal. A violation of this policy may result in criminal charges of trespass.

A suspended student shall be required to make up all missed course work.

Upon termination of the suspension, the student shall return to school and shall be eligible to participate in school activities and functions.

## 2. Expulsion

During a period of expulsion, a student shall not attend any classes or attend or participate in any school or District activities or extracurricular activities or functions on or off District property. An expelled student shall not be present on any school grounds, which includes busses, within the District without the express advanced consent of the Superintendent. A violation of this policy may result in criminal charges of trespass.

Educational programs may be made available to expelled students with the approval of the Superintendent/designee.\* An expelled student shall remain subject to the requirements of the school attendance law, and if the student is of compulsory attendance age the student's parents/guardians shall remain responsible for the expelled student's education either through a home school program, private school or other approved means.

#### **Annual reports**

As part of its annual report to the State Board of Education, the Board shall include the number of students expelled from District schools for disciplinary reasons or for failure to submit certificates of immunization. Expelled students shall not be included in calculating the dropout rate for the school or the District.

#### Information to parents/guardians

Upon expelling a student, District personnel shall provide information to the student's parent or guardian concerning the educational alternatives available to the student during the period of expulsion. Upon the request of the expelled student's parent(s)/guardian(s), the District will provide educational services during the period of expulsion, as determined by the District.\* If the parent or guardian chooses to provide a home-based education program for the student, District personnel shall assist the parent or guardian in obtaining appropriate curricula for the student if requested by the parent or guardian.

If a student is expelled for the remainder of the school year and is not receiving educational services through the District pursuant to policy JKF\*, the school district shall contact the expelled student's parent or guardian at least once every 60 days until the beginning of the next school year to determine whether the child is receiving educational services from some other source.

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\*Educational services will be provided to the extent they are funded by the State Legislature, the Department of Education, grants or by existing agreements with community agencies.

LEGAL REFS.: C.R.S. 16-11-309 crime of violence

C.R.S. 16-22-102 (9) unlawful sexual behavior

C.R.S. 18-1.3-406 crime of violence

C.R.S. 22-32-109.1 (2)(a) adoption and enforcement of discipline code

C.R.S. 22-32-109.1 (2)(a)( $\forall$ I)( $\sqsubseteq$ ) policy required as part of safe schools plan

C.R.S. 22-32-109.1 (3) agreements with state agencies

C.R.S. 22-33-105 suspension, expulsion and denial of admission

C.R.S. 22-33-106 grounds for suspension, expulsion and denial of admission

C.R.S. 22-33-106.3 use of student's written statements in expulsion hearing

C.R.S. 22-33-106.5 information concerning offenses committed by students

C.R.S 22-33-107 compulsory attendance law

C.R.S. 22-33-107.5 notice of failure to attend

C.R.S. 22-33-108 juvenile judicial proceedings

C.R.S. 25-4-903 (1) immunization

CROSS REFS.: ECAC, Vandalism

GBGB, Staff Personal Security and Safety

JEA, Compulsory Attendance Ages

JF, Admissions and Denial of Admissions

JHD, Exclusions and Exemptions from School Attendance

JIC, Student Conduct

JICI, Weapons in School

JK, Student Discipline

JKD/JKE-2, Suspension/Expulsion of Students with Disabilities

JKF, Educational Alternatives for Expelled Students

JLCB, Immunization of Students

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## **Suspension/Expulsion of Students**

## A. Procedure for suspension of 10 days or less

Through written policy the Board of Education has delegated to any school principal or to a person designated in writing by the principal, the power to suspend a student for not more than five or 10 days, depending upon the type of infraction. Pursuant to policy JKD/JKE, the Superintendent has been delegated the power to suspend a student for additional periods of time. However, the total period of suspension shall not exceed 25 school days. As a general rule, a suspension will be 10 days or less.

The following procedures will be followed in any suspension, unless the student is suspended pending an expulsion proceeding, in which case the expulsion procedures will apply.

When the term "parent/guardian" is used, it refers to the parent/guardian of students under 18 years of age; if the student is 18 years or older, it refers to the student. All references to parent/guardian are intended to also include legal custodian.

- 1. Notice The principal, their designee or the Superintendent at the time of contemplated action will give the student and parent/guardian notice of the contemplated action. Such notice may be oral or in writing. If oral, such notice will be followed by written notice. If written, delivery will be deemed to be completed at such time as the notice is deposited in the United States mail addressed to the last known address of the student or their parent/guardian.
- 2. <u>Contents of notice</u> The notice will contain the following basic information:
  - a. A statement of the charges against the student.
  - b. A statement of what the student is accused of doing.
  - c. A statement of the basis of the allegation. Specific names may be withheld if necessary to shield a witness.

This information need not be set out formally but should sufficiently inform the student or their parent/guardian of the basis for the contemplated action.

3. <u>Informal hearing</u> The student will be given an opportunity to admit or deny the accusation and to give their version of the events. The principal or designee may go further in allowing the student to present witnesses or may themselves call the accuser and hold a more extensive hearing in order to make a proper decision on the contemplated action. The notice and informal hearing should precede removal of the student from school. There need be no delay between the time notice is given and the time of the hearing.

4. Emergency suspension (If the student's presence in school presents a danger) Notice and an informal hearing need not be given prior to removal from school where a student's presence poses a continuing danger to persons or property or an ongoing threat of disrupting the academic process, but notice and informal hearing should follow as soon thereafter as practical.

- 5. <u>Decision</u> If following the informal hearing the disciplinary action contemplated involves suspension, the principal or designee will base their decision as to whether to suspend primarily on the informal hearing.
  - If a principal or designee determines that suspension is warranted, they may suspend the student for a period not to exceed five school days. However, if the suspension is for serious violations, the period of suspension may be up to and including 10 school days. The duration of the suspension will be subject to the policies and regulations of the Board.
- 6. Notification following suspension If a student is suspended, the principal or designee delegated the authority to suspend immediately will notify the parent/guardian that the student has been suspended, the grounds for such suspension and the period of such suspension. The notification will include the time and place for the parent/guardian to meet with the principal or designee to review the suspension.
- 7. Removal from school grounds A suspended student must leave the school building and the school grounds immediately following a determination by the parent/ guardian and the principal or designee of the best way to transfer custody of the student to the parent/guardian.
- 8. Readmittance No student will be readmitted to school until the meeting with the parent/guardian has taken place or until, in the opinion of the principal or designee, the parent/guardian has substantially agreed to review the suspension with the principal or designee. However, if the principal or designee cannot contact the parent/guardian or if the parent/guardian repeatedly fails to appear for scheduled meetings, the principal or designee may readmit the student. The meeting shall address whether there is a need to develop a remedial discipline plan for the student in an effort to prevent further disciplinary action.
- 9. Make-up work Suspended students shall be provided an opportunity to make up school work during the period of suspension, so the student is able to reintegrate into the educational program of the District following the period of suspension. Elementary and middle school students will receive not more than 50% credit for make-up work which is completed satisfactorily. High school students will receive not more than 25% credit for make-up work which is completed satisfactorilyStudents will receive full or partial academic credit to the extent possible for make-up work which is completed satisfactorily. In determining whether to provide full or partial credit, pursuant to state law, the goal is to

reintegrate the student back into the classroom and help prevent the student from dropping out.

10. Procedure in lieu of suspension In lieu of suspension, a student may remain in school with the consent of their teachers if their parent/guardian agrees to attend all classes with the student for a period of time specified by the principal or designee. If the parent/guardian does not agree or fails to attend classes with the student, the student will be suspended. The principal or designee may determine that the student's presence in school, even with their parent/guardian, poses a threat or potential for disruption. In this case, the option for the student to attend with a parent/guardian may not be permitted.

### B. Procedure for extension of suspensions

- The Superintendent at his/her discretion may extend a suspension imposed by a principal or designee for a period not to exceed 10 school days. Such extension may be accomplished without further conference or prior notice. The student and their parent/guardian will be given written notice of the extension.
- 2. Following an initial extension of a suspension, the Superintendent may extend the suspension for an additional 10 school days if necessary in order to present the matter at the next meeting of the Board. If it is determined that an additional suspension is warranted, the parent/guardian will be notified as soon as practical. The total period of suspension shall not exceed 25 school days.
- 3. No student will be readmitted to school until a meeting or conference with the Superintendent has taken place and the circumstances of the suspension reviewed.

### C. Procedure for expulsion or denial of admission

In the event that the Superintendent contemplates action denying admission to any student or prospective student or expelling any student, the following procedures will be followed (If mandatory expulsion proceedings are pending and the student(s) involved chooses to withdraw from school prior to the expulsion hearing, the District will proceed with the expulsion process.):

- 1. Notice Prior to the date of the contemplated action, the Superintendent will cause written notice of such proposed action to be delivered to the student and their parent/guardian. Such delivery may be in person or by United States mail and will be deemed to be completed when the notice is deposited in the United States mail addressed to the last known address of the student or their parent/guardian.
- 2. <u>Emergency Notice</u> In the event it is determined that an emergency exists necessitating a shorter period of notice, the period of notice may be shortened

providing that the student or the student's parent/guardian have actual notice of the hearing prior to the time it is held.

- 3. <u>Contents of notice</u> The notice will contain the following basic information:
  - a. A statement of the alleged reasons for the contemplated denial of admission or expulsion.
  - b. A statement that a hearing on the question of expulsion or denial of admission will be held if requested by the student or their parent/quardian.
  - A statement of the date, time and place of the hearing in the event one is requested.
  - d. A statement that the student may be present at the hearing and hear all information against them, that they will have an opportunity to present such information as is relevant and that they may be accompanied and represented by their parent/quardian and an attorney.
  - e. A statement that failure to participate in such hearing constitutes a waiver of further rights in the matter.
- 4. Conduct of hearing The hearing will be conducted by the Superintendent or designee. The hearing may be conducted in open session or may be closed except to those individuals deemed advisable by the Superintendent or designee but including in all events the student, their parent/guardian and, if requested, an attorney. Such individuals as may have pertinent information will be admitted to a closed hearing to the extent necessary to provide such information.

Testimony and information will be presented under oath if requested by either party. However, technical rules of evidence will not be applicable, and the Superintendent or designee may consider and give appropriate weight to such information or evidence deemed appropriate. The student or their representative may question individuals presenting information.

A sufficient record of the proceedings will be kept so as to enable a transcript to be prepared in the event either party so requests. Preparation of the transcript will be at the expense of the party requesting the same.

If the hearing is conducted by a designee, findings and recommendations will be forwarded to the Superintendent. The Superintendent will render a written decision no later than five school days after the hearing. The decision will be delivered to the student or their parent/guardian in the manner described above. In his/her opinion, the Superintendent may establish reasonable conditions for readmission as well as the duration of the expulsion which may not extend beyond one calendar year.

Each semester, the Superintendent will provide a written summary of expulsion information to the Board.

5. Appeal The student or their parent/guardian will have the right to appeal the decision of the Superintendent to the Board provided that the Superintendent is given written notice of such appeal within 10 school days of the Superintendent's decision. The Board will set the matter for hearing at its next regular meeting.

The appeal will consist of a review of the facts which were presented and which were determined at the expulsion hearing conducted by the Superintendent or designee, arguments relating to the decision, and questions of clarification from the Board. No additional facts or evidence may be presented except with Board approval.

Upon conclusion of the hearing, the Board may vote to affirm, reverse or modify the Superintendent's decision. The Board's decision will be communicated orally and entered in the minutes of the meeting. Upon written request, the Board's decision will be reduced to writing for purposes of further judicial review pursuant to state law.

6. Parental responsibility If a student between the ages of six and 16 is expelled, the parent/guardian will be responsible for ensuring compliance with the compulsory school attendance law during the expulsion period. Upon expelling a student, District personnel will provide information to the student's parent/guardian concerning the educational alternatives available to the student during the period of expulsion, including the right of a parent/guardian to request that the District provide services during the expulsion. If the parent/guardian chooses to provide a home-based education program for the student, District personnel will assist the parent/guardian in obtaining appropriate curricula for the student if requested by the parent/guardian.

If a student is expelled for the remainder of the school year, the school district will contact the expelled student's parent/guardian at least once every 60 days until the beginning of the next school year to determine whether the child is receiving educational services. District personnel need not contact the parent/guardian after the student is enrolled in another school district or in an independent or parochial school, or if the student is committed to the department of human services or sentenced to a juvenile or adult detention facilitythrough the juvenile justice system.

- 7. Readmittance A student who has been expelled shall be prohibited from enrolling or re-enrolling in the same school in which the victim of the offense or member of the victim's immediate family is enrolled or employed when:
  - a. the expelled student was convicted of a crime, adjudicated a juvenile delinquent, received a deferred judgment or was placed in a diversion program as a result of committing the offense for which the student was expelled;
  - b. there is an identifiable victim of the expelled student's offense; and
  - c. the offense for which the student was expelled does not constitute a crime against property.

If the District has no actual knowledge of the name of the victim, the expelled student shall be prohibited from enrolling or re-enrolling only upon request of the victim or a member of the victim's immediate family.

Additionally, the District retains the right to assign the student returning from expulsion to any school site in the District, if deemed appropriate.

No student will be readmitted to school until after a meeting between the principal or designee and the parent/guardian has taken place, except that if the principal or designee cannot contact the parent/guardian or if the parent/guardian repeatedly fails to appear for scheduled meetings, the principal or designee may readmit the student.

### D. Procedure for expulsion for crimes of violence or unlawful sexual behavior

The following procedures will apply when the District receives notification that a student has been charged in juvenile or district court with a crime of violence or unlawful sexual behavior as defined by state law.

- 1. The Board or its designee will make a preliminary determination whether it will proceed with an expulsion hearing, based on the following factors:
  - a. The student's behavior was detrimental to the safety or welfare of other students, teachers or school personnel.
  - b. Educating the student in school would disrupt the learning environment, provide a negative example for other students or create a dangerous and unsafe environment for students, teachers or other school personnel.
  - c. Grounds for expulsion of the student exist.

The determination may be made in executive session to the extent allowed by state law.

- 2. If it is determined that the student should not be educated in the schools of the District and that grounds for expulsion exist, the District will proceed with the expulsion of the student, in accordance with the procedures set forth above.
- 3. Alternatively, expulsion proceedings may be postponed, pending the outcome of the court proceedings. If the expulsion proceedings are postponed, the student will not be permitted to return to school during that period. An appropriate alternative education program or home-based education program will be established for the student during the period pending the resolution of the juvenile proceedings. The time that a student spends in an alternative education program shall not be considered a period of expulsion.

4. If the student pleads guilty to the charge, is found guilty or is adjudicated a delinquent juvenile, the Board or designee may proceed to expel the student following the procedures set forth in these regulations.

- 5. If a crime of violence is committed by a student with disabilities, the student will not be expelled or removed from school unless a qualified manifestation committee has determined that the student's conduct was not a manifestation of the student's disability. Discipline procedures for any student with a disability will be in accordance with state and federal law and Board policy.
- Information regarding the details of the alleged crime of violence will be used by the Board or its designee for the purposes set forth in this policy, but will remain confidential unless the information is otherwise available to the public by law.

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### **Grounds for Suspension/Expulsion**

According to Colorado Revised Statutes 22-12-105 (3) and 22-33-106 (1) (a-ge) and 3 (e), the following shall may be grounds for suspension or expulsion from a public school:

- 1. Continued willful disobedience or open and persistent defiance of proper authority.
- 2. Willful destruction or defacing of school property.
- 3. Behavior on or off school property which is detrimental to the welfare or safety of other pupils or of school personnel including behavior which creates a threat of physical harm to the child or other children except that if the child who creates such a threat is a disabled child pursuant to Section 22-20-103 (4). Such child may not be expelled if the actions creating such threat are determined to be a manifestation of such child's disabling condition.
- 4. Declaration of a habitually disruptive student may be grounds for expulsion.
  - a. For purposes of this paragraph, "habitually disruptive student" means a child who has been suspended pursuant to paragraph (1), (2), (3), or (5) of this exhibit three times during the course of the school year for causing a material and substantial disruption in the classroom, on school grounds, in school vehicles or at school activities or events because of behavior that was initiated, willful and evert on the part of the childcaused a material and substantial disruption three times during the course of the school year on school grounds, in a school vehicle, or school activities or events. Any student who is enrolled in a public school may be subject to being declared a habitually disruptive student.
  - b. The student and the parent, guardian, or legal custodian shall have been notified in writing of each <u>suspensiondisruption</u> counted toward declaring the student as habitually disruptive and the student and parent, legal guardian, or legal custodian shall have been notified in writing and by telephone or other means at the home or the place of employment of the parent or legal guardian of the definition of "habitually disruptive student".
  - c. No child shall be declared to be a habitually disruptive student prior to the development of a remedial discipline plan for the child that shall address the child's disruptive behavior, personal educational needs, and the goal of keeping the child in school. The remedial discipline plan shall be developed after the second suspension for a material and substantial disruption. The District shall encourage and solicit the full participation of the child's parent, guardian, or legal custodian in the development of the remedial discipline plan.
  - 5. Serious violations in a school building or in or on school property for which suspension or expulsion shall be mandatory. The use, possession or sale of a drug or controlled substance as defined in C.R.S. 12-22-203.

Expulsion is mandatory for:

- a. The sale of a drug or controlled substance as defined in C.R.S. 12-22-303.
- b. <u>6.</u> The commission of an act which, if committed by an adult, would be robbery pursuant to Part 3 of Article 4, Title 18, C.R.S., or assault pursuant to Part 2, Article 3, Title 18, C.R.S. other than the commission of an act that would be third degree assault under C.R.S. 18-3-204 if committed by an adult.
- e. 7. The Ccarrying, bringing, using or possessing a dangerous weapon without the authorization of the school or the school district administration, except that if a student discovers that he or she has carried, brought or is in possession of a dangerous weapon and the student notifies a teacher, administrator or other authorized person in the school district, and as soon as possible delivers the dangerous weapon to that person, expulsion shall not be mandatory. In accordance with federal law, expulsion shall be mandatory and for no less than one full calendar year for a student who is determined to have brought to or possessed a firearm at school. The superintendent may modify the length of this federal requirement for expulsion on a case-by-case basis. Such modification will be in writing.

As used in paragraph cFor purposes of this paragraph, "dangerous weapon" means:

- i. a. A firearm, whether loaded or unloaded.
- ii. b. Any pellet or BB gun or other device, whether operational or not, designed to propel projectiles by spring action or compressed air.
- iii. c. A fixed blade knife with a blade that measures longer than three inches in length or a spring loaded knife or a pocket knife with a blade longer than three and one-half inches.
- iv. d. Any object, device, instrument, material, or substance, whether animate or inanimate, used or intended to be used to inflict death or serious bodily injury.
- 6. 8. Repeated interference with a school's ability to provide educational opportunities to other students.
  - 9. Carrying, using, actively displaying, or threatening with the use of a firearm facsimile that could reasonably be mistaken for an actual firearm in a school building or in or on school property.
  - 7. 10. Failure to comply with the provisions of Part 9, Article 4, Title 25, C.R.S. (immunization requirements). Any suspension, expulsion or denial of admission for such failure to comply shall not be recorded as a disciplinary action but may be recorded with the student's immunization record with an appropriate explanation.
  - 8. 11. Making a false accusation of criminal activity against a District employee to law enforcement or to the District.

According to C.R.S. 22-33-106(2), subject to the District's responsibilities under the Exceptional Children's Education Act, the following shall be grounds for expulsion from or denial of admission to a public school or diversion to an appropriate alternate program:

- 1. Physical or mental disability such that the child cannot reasonably benefit from the programs available.
- 2. Physical or mental disability or disease causing the attendance of the child suffering there from to be detrimental to the welfare of other students.

Approved September 9, 1998 Revised February 9, 2005 Revised August 12, 2009

St. Vrain Valley School District RE-1J, Longmont, Colorado

## Screening/Testing of Students (And Treatment of Mental Disorders)

Parents/guardians and eligible students have the right to review, upon request, any survey, assessment, analysis or evaluation administered or distributed by a school to students whether created by the District or a third party. For purposes of this policy, "eligible student" means either 1) a student 18 years of age or older or an emancipated minor. or 2) a special education student who has reached majority at 21 years of age. Any survey, assessment, analysis or evaluation administered or distributed by a school to students shall be subject to applicable state and federal laws protecting the confidentiality of student records.

### Survey, assessment, analysis or evaluation for which consent is required

Except as otherwise permitted by law, students shall not be required to submit to a survey, <u>assessment</u>, analysis, or evaluation that is intended to reveal information, whether the information is personally identifiable or not, without prior written consent of the parent/guardian or eligible student, if that survey, <u>assessment</u>, analysis, or evaluation reveals information in the following areas ("protected information"):

- 1. political affiliations or beliefs of the student or the student's parent/guardian
- 2. mental or psychological problems conditions of the student or the student's family
- 3. sexual behavior or attitudes
- 4. illegal, anti-social, self-incriminating or demeaning behavior
- 5. critical appraisals of other individuals with whom the student has a close family relationship
- 6. legally recognized privileged or analogous relationships, such as those with lawyers, physicians and ministers
- 7. religious practices, affiliations or beliefs of the student or the student's parent/guardian
- 8. income (other than that required by law to determine eligibility for participation in a program or for receiving financial assistance under such program)

### 9. social security number

School personnel responsible for administering any such survey, <u>assessment</u>, analysis or evaluation shall give written notice at least two weeks in advance to the student's parent/guardian or the eligible student <u>and shall make a copy of the document available</u> <u>for viewing at convenient times and locations</u>. The notice shall offer to provide the following written information upon request:

1. records or information that may be examined and required in the survey, <u>assessment,</u> analysis or evaluation

- 2. the means by which the records or information shall be examined, reviewed, or disseminated
- 3. the means by which the information is to be obtained
- 4. the purposes for which the records or information are needed
- 5. the entities or persons, regardless of affiliation, who will have access to the information; and
- 6. a method by which a parent/guardian can grant or deny permission to access or examine the records or information

These notice provisions also apply to any survey, analysis or evaluation funded by the U.S. Department of Education.

### **Exceptions to policy**

Nothing in this section of the policy shall:

- 1. prevent a student who is working under the supervision of a journalism teacher or sponsor from preparing or participating in a survey, <u>assessment</u>, analysis or evaluation without obtaining consent as long as such participation is not otherwise prohibited by law
- 2. be construed to prevent a District employee from reporting known or suspected child abuse or neglect as required by state law
- 3. be construed to limit the ability of a health professional that is acting as an agent of the District to evaluate an individual child
- 4. be construed to require parental notice or consent for a survey, <u>assessment</u> analysis or evaluation related to educational products or services for or to students or educational institutions. These products and services include, but are not limited to, the following:
  - college or other postsecondary education recruitment or military recruitment activities
  - book clubs, magazines and programs providing access to low-cost literary products
  - curriculum and instructional materials used by District schools
  - tests and assessments used by District schools to provide cognitive, evaluative, diagnostic, clinical, aptitude, or achievement information about students

 the sale by students of products or services to raise funds for school-related or education-related activities

- student recognition programs
- 5. be construed to require parental notice or consent for assessments used to collect evidence of what a student knows and is able to do and to measure a student's academic progress toward attaining a content standard
- <u>6. limit the ability of the District to administer a suicide assessment or threat</u> assessment

### Surveys, assessments, analysis or evaluation for marketing purposes

Parents/guardians and eligible students shall receive notice and have the opportunity to opt a student out of activities involving the collection, disclosure or use of personal information collected from the student for the purpose of marketing or selling that information or otherwise providing the information to others for that purpose.

### Annual notice

At the beginning of each academic year, the District shall inform parents/guardians and eligible students that the parent/guardian or eligible student has the right to consent before students are required to submit to a survey that concerns one or more of the protected areas and to opt out of the following:

- 1. activities involving the collection, disclosure or use of personal information collected from students for the purpose of marketing or for selling that information;
- 2. the administration of any protected information survey; or
- 3. any non-emergency, invasive physical examination or screening that is:
  - required as a condition of attendance;
  - administered by the school and scheduled by the school in advance; and
  - not necessary to protect the immediate health and safety of the student or of other students.

### Psychiatric/psychological/behavior testing methods or procedures

School personnel are prohibited under state law from recommending or requiring the use of psychotropic drugs for students. They are also prohibited from testing or requiring testing for a student's behavior without giving notice to the parent/guardian describing the recommended testing and how any test results will be used. Prior to conducting any such testing, school personnel shall obtain written permission from the parent/guardian or eligible student in accordance with applicable law.

School personnel are encouraged to discuss concerns about a student's behavior with the parent/guardian, and such discussions may include a suggestion that the parent/guardian speak with an appropriate health care professional regarding any behavior concerns that school personnel may have. Only those persons appropriately certified or licensed may expose students to any psychiatric or psychological method or procedure for the purpose of diagnosis, assessment or treatment of any emotional, behavioral or mental disorder or disability. Such methods or procedures may only be performed after acquiring written permission from a student's parent/guardian, or from the student in those circumstances in which federal or state law allows the student to obtain such services in confidence or without prior notice to the parent/guardian.

Licensed school personnel are encouraged to be knowledgeable about psychiatric or psychological methods and procedures but shall not be involved in any diagnosis, assessment or treatment of any type of mental disorder or disability unless appropriately certified. In accordance with state law, school personnel including certified school psychologists are not authorized to practice psychotherapy or utilize any psychiatric or psychological procedure outside of or beyond their area of training, experience or competence.

Ordinary classroom instruction, activities and techniques involving the approved curriculum that teach about psychological or psychiatric methods or procedures shall be permissible and considered outside the scope of this policy. It is understood that there is a significant difference between practicing therapy and providing activities that may be therapeutic in nature. Any teacher who questions whether a planned activity is one involving psychiatric or psychological methods or procedures for which the teacher may not be properly certified or licensed shall consult with the school principal.

### Special education evaluation

The giving of parental permission for evaluation or re-evaluation of a student with disabilities and any required consent to the provision of special education services to a student with disabilities is governed by state and federal law and is outside the scope of this policy.

Adopted May 22, 1996 Revised June 11, 2008

LEGAL REFS.: C.R.S. 13-22-101 (18 is age of competence for certain purposes)

C.R.S. 22-1-123 (district shall comply with federal law on pupil rights, Colorado provisions regarding survey, <u>assessment</u>, analysis and evaluation of students)

C.R.S. 22-32-109(1)(ee) (duty to adopt policy prohibiting personnel from ordering behavior tests without parent permission)

C.R.S. 22-32-109.2 (screening and treatment of emotional/mental disorders or disabilities)

C.R.S. 27-10-103 (voluntary applications for mental health services) 20 U.S.C. 1232h (Protection of Pupil Rights Act)

20 U.S.C. 1232g (Family Education Rights and Privacy Act)

20 U.S.C. 1232h (rights of students and parents to inspect instructional materials and give prior consent for certain surveys, analysis and evaluation)

CROSS REFS.: GBEB, Staff Code of Conduct

GCS, Professional Research and Publishing

ILBA, District Program Assessments ILBB, State Program Assessments

JLCA, Physical Examinations of Students

JRA/JRC, Student Records/Release of Information on Students

St. Vrain Valley School District RE-1J, Longmont, Colorado

DATE: January 9, 2013

TO: Board of Education

FROM: Dr. Don Haddad, Superintendent of Schools

SUBJECT: Approval of Change Order to CMGC Contract – Erie Middle Addition and

Renovation Project

### **RECOMMENDATION**

That the Board of Education approve Change Order Twelve of the Construction Manager/General Contractor (CMGC) contract with AP Mountain States, LLC (d/b/a Adolfson & Peterson Construction), for the Erie Middle School gym repairs cost for an amount not-to-exceed \$925,000, which includes 10% contingency, and further authorize Rick Ring, Chief Operations Officer, to sign appropriate documents.

### **BACKGROUND**

The CMGC contract with AP Mountain States, LLC, for the Erie Middle School Addition and Renovation Project was approved at the February 9, 2011 Board of Education meeting.

The additional work was incurred due to the gym incident on August 1, 2012. This change order is for phase 1 of the gym repairs which are scheduled to start winter of 2012.

The Erie Middle School gym costs are funded in the 2008 Bond program but reimbursed by insurance coverage.

Date: January 9, 2013

To: Board of Education

From: Dr. Don Haddad, Superintendent of Schools

Subject: Approval of Cabinet-Level Position Change

### **RECOMMENDATION**

That the Board of Education approve a Cabinet-level position change.

### **BACKGROUND**

David Burnison, Assistant Superintendent of Human Resources, will announce the position change for Regina Renaldi from Executive Director of Priority Programs to Assistant Superintendent for Priority Programs, effective January 2, 2013.

DATE: January 9, 2013

TO: Board of Education

FROM: Dr. Don Haddad, Superintendent of Schools

SUBJECT: Adoption of Resolution Proclaiming "2013: Year of the Student"

### RECOMMENDATION

That the Board of Education adopt a resolution proclaiming "2013: Year of the Student".

### **BACKGROUND**

As a result of the Great Recession, the State of Colorado has faced multiple years of budget shortfalls resulting in over \$2.6 billion in cumulative cuts to P-12 and higher education funding between the 2009-2010 and the 2012-2013 school years.

Students, organizations and individuals all over Colorado are coming together under the name of "Year of the Student Project" to demand meaningful legislative action in 2013 toward improved investment in Colorado's schools, colleges and universities.

The St. Vrain Valley School District Board of Education supports the efforts of these individuals to create and find funding for a public education finance system that matches reforms, mandates, and accountability measures with the resources necessary to make all students successful.

### RESOLUTION

In Support of "2013: Year of the Student" Project.

A Resolution calling on the Sixty-Ninth Colorado General Assembly to take meaningful legislative action in 2013 to improve education funding.

WHEREAS, public education is the bedrock of our democracy, fundamental to individual opportunity, and the key to Colorado's economic recovery, prosperity and future; and

WHEREAS, the lives and livelihoods of Colorado's children depend on the quality of the education and the breadth of the opportunities available to them, from preschool through higher education; and

WHEREAS, our community will thrive when *every* student graduates as a contributing, well-rounded, well-prepared citizen and life-long learner; and

WHEREAS, Colorado was already \$1,809 behind the national average in per pupil funding before the recession began according to data from the National Center for Education Statistics and ranked 48<sup>th</sup> in per capita funding of higher education according to the National Center for Higher Education Management Systems; and

WHEREAS, as a result of the subsequent Great Recession, the State of Colorado has faced multiple years of budget shortfalls resulting in over \$2.6 billion in cumulative cuts to P-12 and higher education funding between the 2009-2010 and 2012-2013 school years; and

WHEREAS, these cuts in state funding are impeding the ability of the St. Vrain Valley School District to implement all the strategies necessary to ensure the successful educational experience of every student; and

WHEREAS, local and federal funding sources cannot overcome recent budget cuts and chronic state underfunding; and

WHEREAS, Colorado has put in place reforms, policies, mandates, and pilot programs involving standards and accountability for preschool, K-12 schools, colleges and universities; educator quality; student achievement; and effective use of time and resources, so that Colorado students stand to benefit profoundly from new investment in public education; and

WHEREAS, the need to reverse the impact of state cuts is urgent and Colorado students cannot afford to wait even one more year for Colorado to start restoring lost opportunities, programs and teaching positions, investing in quality teaching, early childhood education, expanded learning opportunities and quality, affordable higher education; and

WHEREAS, a broad coalition of organizations and individuals throughout Colorado have joined together under the name of the "Year of the Student Project" to demand meaningful legislative action in 2013 toward improved investment in Colorado's schools, colleges and universities;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the St. Vrain Valley School District Board of Education hereby joins with the Year of the Student Project in calling on the members of the 69<sup>th</sup> General Assembly to make 2013 the "Year of the Student" by using the 2013 legislative session to create and find funding for a public education finance system that matches reforms, mandates, and accountability measures with the resources necessary to make all students successful.

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ADOPTED AND APPROVED on January

DATE: January 9, 2013

TO: Board of Education

FROM: Dr. Don Haddad, Superintendent of Schools

SUBJECT: Adoption of Resolution Proclaiming Career and Technical

Education Month, February 2013

### RECOMMENDATION

That the Board of Education approve a Resolution proclaiming February 2013 as Career and Technical Education Month.

### **BACKGROUND**

- There are 14.4 million secondary and postsecondary career and technical education students in the U.S. Career and technical education is offered in middle school, high schools, two-year community and technical colleges and other postsecondary schools.
- Career and technical education has a wide range of careers including: entrepreneurship, automotive technician, architect, carpenter, nursing, dental, medical technicians, careers related to food and fiber production and agribusiness, culinary arts, management and life skills, marketing, technology, and engineering.
- Career and technical education prepares both youth and adults for a wide range of careers that may require varying levels of education—from high school to postsecondary certificates to two- and four-year college degrees.
- According to the U.S. Department of Education's Office of Vocational and Adult Education (OVAE), almost all high school students take at least one CTE course, and one in four students take three or more courses in a single program area. One-third of college students are involved in CTE programs, and as many as 40 million adults engage in short-term postsecondary occupational training.
- According to the BLS, of the 20 fastest growing occupations, 10 require an associate's degree or less. Furthermore, of the 20 occupations with the largest numbers of new jobs projected for 2018, 13 require on-the-job training or an associate's degree.
- A person with a CTE-related associate degree or credential will earn an average of between \$5,000 and \$15,000 more a year than a person with a humanities or social sciences associate degree—and those with

- credentials in high-demand fields such as healthcare can average almost \$20,000 more a year.
- CTE students are significantly more likely than their non-CTE counterparts to report that they developed problem-solving, project completion, research, math, college application, work-related, communication, time management, and critical thinking skills during high school.

# RESOLUTION CAREER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION MONTH FEBRUARY 2013

**WHEREAS:** February 1-28, 2013, has been designated Career and Technical Education Month by the Association for Career and Technical Education; and

**WHEREAS:** profound economic and technological changes in our society are rapidly reflected in the structure and nature of work, thereby placing new and additional responsibilities on our educational system; and

**WHEREAS:** career and technical education provides Americans with a school-to-careers connection and is the backbone of a strong, well-educated workforce, which fosters productivity in business and industry and contributes to America's leadership in the international marketplace; and

**WHEREAS:** career and technical education gives high school students experience in practical, meaningful applications of skills such as reading, writing and mathematics, thus improving the quality of their education, motivating potential dropouts and giving all students leadership opportunities in their fields and in their communities; and

**WHEREAS:** career and technical education offers individuals life-long opportunities to learn new skills, which provide them with career choices and potential satisfaction; and

**WHEREAS:** the ever-increasing cooperative efforts of career and technical educators, business and industry stimulate the growth and vitality of our local economy and that of the entire nation by preparing graduates for career fields forecast to experience the largest and fastest growth in the next decade;

**WHEREAS:** our nation is celebrating the month of February 2013 as **CAREER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION MONTH**, as is the St. Vrain Valley School District. We further encourage community members to support our local CTE programs.

### **BOARD OF EDUCATION**

John Creighton
Debbie Lammers
Mike Schiers
Rod Schmidt
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Dori Van Lone

### SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

Dr. Don Haddad

### 110TH CONGRESS 2D SESSION

## H. RES. 930

Supporting the goals and ideals of "Career and Technical Education Month".

### IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

January 17, 2008

Mr. Baird (for himself and Mr. English of Pennsylvania) submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Education and Labor

## **RESOLUTION**

Supporting the goals and ideals of "Career and Technical Education Month".

- Whereas there are over 15,000,000 secondary and postsecondary career and technical education students in the United States;
- Whereas nationwide, there are over 10,000 secondary high schools and career tech centers and over 9,000 postsecondary institutions offering career and technical education programs;
- Whereas a competitive global economy requires workers trained in skilled professions;
- Whereas career and technical education plays a crucial role in preparing a well-educated and skilled workforce in America;

- Whereas career and technical education prepares students for all of the 20 fastest occupations identified by the U.S. Department of Labor;
- Whereas according to the U.S. Chamber of Commerce, nearly 75 percent of employers report severe conditions when trying to hire qualified workers and 40 percent say that applicants are poorly skilled;
- Whereas students taking career and technical education courses have higher grade point averages in college, are less likely to drop out in high school and college, and have better employment and earnings outcomes than other students;
- Whereas, in 2006, Congress reauthorized with bipartisan support the Carl D. Perkins Career and Technical Education Act, which provides states with Federal resources to support career and technical education programs; and
- Whereas the Association for Career and Technical Education has designated February as "Career and Technical Education Month" to celebrate career and technical education across the country: Now, therefore, be it
  - 1 Resolved, That the United States House of Rep-
  - 2 resentatives—
  - 3 (1) supports the goals and ideals of Career and
  - 4 Technical Education month;
  - 5 (2) recognizes the importance of career and
  - 6 technical education in preparing a well-educated and
  - 7 skilled workforce in America; and

1 (3) encourages educators, counselors, and ad-2 ministrators to promote career and technical edu-3 cation as an option to students.

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DATE: January 9, 2013

TO: Board of Education

FROM: Dr. Don Haddad, Superintendent of Schools

SUBJECT: Selection of Name for Preschool (located at Frederick Elementary in 2013)

### **RECOMMENDATION**

We recommend the Board of Education select one of the following names as the official name of the preschool to be located at what is currently Frederick Elementary. The Committee submits the following four names for consideration. They are listed in order of preference:

### #1 Choice: Spark! Discovery School

- The committee submits this name as a reference to preschool as the first opportunity we have to expose preschoolers to formalized education. We see early childhood learning as a time to spark curiousty, passion, and interest which will become lifelong learning. We like the exclamation point as an enunciation of importance.
- We submit as mascot suggestions a light bulb, lightening bolt, robot, rocketship, or earth, with yellow, purple, and black as the colors.
- The preferred "tags" after this school name were: "Discovery School," "Early Learning School," or, "Academy."

### #2 Choice: Ignite! Early Learning

- The committee submits this name, similar to the one above, as a reference to how education ignites the passion for life-long learning, especially important as preschoolers enter our PK-12 system. When we think of the term "ignite", we think of inspiring and enlightening young minds. We like the exclamation point as an enunciation of importance.
- We submit as mascot suggestions a light bulb, lightening bolt, robot, rocketship, or earth, with yellow, purple, and black as the colors.
- The preferred "tags" after this school name were: "Early Learning" or "Early Learning School."

### #3 Choice: Early Explorers Discovery School

The committee submits this name to reference both to preschool and to exploration, as much of the preschool experience is about exploring our world. This name also references the age and spirit of exploration often found in the west—both in history and during current times. In the past, explorers lived by asking, "What's on the other

side of the hill?" We will develop an environment in which children are enabled to explore and feel a sense of wonder about what they are learning.

- We submit a mascot that includes a personified earth, with blue and green colors.
- The preferred "tag" after this school name was "Discovery School."

### #4 Choice: Explore and Discover Early Learning School

- This is also an ideal name. Both terms, explore and discover, evoke a sense of active learning: to go beyond what is known, to investigate, and to examine.
- We submit a mascot that includes a scientist or robot, male and female, with white, orange, and blue as the colors.
- The preferred "tag" after this school name was "Early Learning School."

### **BACKGROUND**

Pursuant to Board of Education policy FF and FF-R, an advisory committee was created and convened. The committee participants represented St. Vrain Schools staff, business, and community representation.

The committee worked to inform the public of the opportunity to submit possible names for the preschool. This included, through the Community Relations & Communication Department, a web-server hyperlink on the District's main homepage. This also included a request of four elementary principals from the feeder to include the naming information in electronic communications. Additionally, flyers were sent home with PK-5 students from each of the four elementary schools: Centennial, Frederick, Legacy, and Prairie Ridge. This netted 23 entries, from which the committee discussed and selected their nominations. The committee narrowed the input to five names, and then at our feeder-wide meeting for preschool parents on December 11, 2012, we gathered input in which parents had the opportunity to contribute input on the name, the mascot, and the colors. This caused us to narrow the selection to four names.

The committee also set guidelines that included: avoiding names that closely resemble other school names in the area—including public, charter, private, and national "chain" preschools, selecting names that would give the public the idea that this school serves preschoolers, avoiding names that would allow us to offer only one type of preschool programming, and considering possible mascots and colors given the selected names.

We considered what "tag" to include at the end of each of the four names to further define what happens at this facility. We discussed many options for creating combinations of proper names, such as "Preschool," "Early Learning School," "School," or "Discovery School." We were careful to stay away from "Academy" as it may not be appropriate (developmentally) and often is used in charter school naming. We were careful to not include "STEM" in the name, as we want flexibility to offer more than one programming option. In reference to the lightbulb as a mascot, there were a few comments regarding the difference between lightbulbs and CFL's, especially in relation to energy conservation and efficiency. Also, one person at the December 11<sup>th</sup> meeting commented that they did not like how two of the names included "fire analogies".

DATE: January 9, 2012

TO: Board of Education

FROM: Dr. Don Haddad, Superintendent of Schools

SUBJECT: Approval to Award a Contract for Managed Print Services

### RECOMMENDATION

That the Board of Education approve a contract with Konica Minolta for Managed Print Services, pending successful contract negotiation and legal approval and further authorize Terry Schueler, Chief Financial Officer, to sign all necessary contract documents.

### **BACKGROUND**

The Purchasing Department and DTS leveraged an existing Request for Proposals (RFP) process recently completed by Douglas County School District. The RFP process resulted in ten (10) vendor responses. Copiers were then evaluated from three (3) finalists. Konica Minolta was selected as the most advantageous solution to the District. The contract will cover a five-year fixed Lease Purchase Agreement of \$861,840.00 and annual estimated copy costs of \$161,181.24 per year. Substantial savings are anticipated due to the transition to a Managed Print Services program.

Historically, St. Vrain Valley School District has purchased and maintained copiers for use throughout the District. New copiers will be leased and supported under a managed print service model. Moving to a managed print services model will decrease print costs, improve support, meet compliance requirements and reduce energy costs.

DATE: January 9, 2013

TO: Board of Education

FROM: Dr. Don Haddad, Superintendent of Schools

SUBJECT: Adoptions of District Unified Improvement Plan and School Priority

Improvement and Turnaround Unified Improvement Plans (UIPs)

### RECOMMENDATION

That the Board of Education adopt the District Unified Improvement Plan, as well as School Priority Improvement and Turnaround UIPs.

### **BACKGROUND**

Per the Education Accountability Act of 2009, the School Board must adopt a District UIP as well as UIPs for any schools identified for a Priority Improvement or Turnaround UIP. Those schools are:

- Adult Education Priority Improvement
- Frederick Elementary School Priority Improvement
- Spangler Elementary School Priority Improvement
- St. Vrain Online Global Academy Turnaround

The deadline for adoption is January 15, 2013.

Tori Teague, Executive Director of Assessment, Curriculum and Instruction, and Connie Syferd, Assistant Superintendent for Student Achievement, will be present to answer questions.

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### Colorado's Unified Improvement Plan for Districts for 2012-13

Organization Code: 0470 District Name: ST VRAIN VALLEY RE 1J AU Code: 07010 AU Name: Boulder RE1J, St. Vrain Valley DPF Year: 3 Year

### Section I: Summary Information about the District/Consortium

**Directions:** This section summarizes your district/consortium's performance on the federal and state accountability measures in 2011-12. In the table below, CDE has pre-populated the district/consortium's data in blue text. This data shows the district/consortium's performance in meeting minimum federal and state accountability expectations. Most of the data is pulled from the District Performance Framework (DPF) data. This summary should accompany your improvement plan.

Student Performance Measures for State and Federal Accountability

Performance Indicators	Measures/ Metrics	2011-12 Federal and State Expectations			2011-12 District Results			Meets Expectations?	
			Elem	MS	HS	Elem	MS	HS	
Acadomia	TCAP/CSAP, CoAlt/CSAPA, Lectura, Escritura	R	72.19%	69.22%	71.31%	73.1%	73.35%	72.21%	Overall Rating for Academic Achievement:
Academic Achievement	Description: % P+A in reading, writing, math and science	М	70.37%	49.11%	30.51%	70.21%	58.99%	41.5%	Meets
(Status)	<b>Expectation:</b> %P+A is above the 50 <sup>th</sup> percentile by	W	55.78%	56.8%	49.7%	58.04%	61.89%	55.22%	* Consult your District Performance
	using 1-year or 3-years of data		47.5%	46.81%	49.18%	50.13%	56.14%	54.97%	Framework for the ratings for each content area at each level.
	M		Median Adequate Student Growth Percentile (SGP)			Median SGP			
	Median Student Growth Percentile  Description: Growth in TCAP/CSAP for reading,		Elem	MS	HS	Elem	MS	HS	Overall Rating for Academic Growth: Meets
Academic	writing and math and growth in CELApro for English language proficiency	R	28	26	12	51	55	49	Academic Growth, Weets
Growth	Expectation: If district met adequate growth: then median SGP is at or above 45.	М	47	63	75	46	55	45	* Consult your District Performance Framework for the ratings for each
	If district did not meet adequate growth: then median SGP is at or above 55.	W	39	47	40	53	57	49	content area at each level.
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### Student Performance Measures for State and Federal Accountability (cont.)

Performance Indicators	Measures/ Metrics	2011-12 Federal and State Expectations	2011-12 District Results	Meets Expo	ectations?
Academic Growth Gaps	Median Student Growth Percentile  Description: Growth for reading, writing and math by disaggregated groups.  Expectation: If disaggregated groups met adequate growth, median SGP is at or above 45. If disaggregated groups did not meet adequate growth, median SGP is at or above 55.	See your district's performance frameworks for listing of median adequate growth expectations for your district's disaggregated groups, including free/reduced lunch eligible, minority students, students with disabilities, English Language Learners and students below proficient.	See your district's performance frameworks for listing of median growth by each disaggregated group.  * Consult your District Framework for the radisaggregated group at each level.		Performance gs for each student
	Graduation Rate	At 80% or above	Best of 4-year through 7- year Grad Rate		
	<b>Expectation:</b> At 80% or above on the best of 4-year, 5-year, 6-year or 7-year graduation rate.	At 60% of above	81.3% using a 7 year grad rate	Meets	
Post Secondary/ Workforce	Disaggregated Graduation Rate Expectation: At 80% or above on the disaggregated group's best of 4-year, 5-year, 6- year or 7-year graduation rate.	At 80% or above for each disaggregated group	See your district's performance frameworks for listing of 4-year, 5-year, 6-year and 7-year graduation rates for disaggregated groups, including free/reduced lunch eligible, minority students, students with disabilities, and English Language Learners.	Approaching	Overall Rating for Post Secondary
Readiness	Dropout Rate Expectation: At or below State average overall.	3.9%	2.7%	Meets	Readiness: Meets
	Mean ACT Composite Score  Expectation: At or above State average	20.1	20.3	Meets	





Student Performance Measures for State and Federal Accountability (cont.)

Performance Indicators	Measures/ Metrics	2011-12 Federal and State Expectations	20	11-12 Grantee Results	Meets Expectations?
	AMAO 1  Description: Academic Growth CELApro sub-indicator (median and adequate growth percentiles) rating on the District Performance Framework.	Meets or Exceeds rating on Academic Growth CELApro sub-indicator on District Performance Framework	,	Approaching	NO
English	AMAO 2  Description: % attaining English proficiency on CELA	7% of students meet AMAO 2 expectations	10.25%		YES
Language Development	AMAO 3	(1) Meets or Exceeds ratings on Academic	R	Approaching	
and Attainment	Description: Academic Growth Gaps content sub-	Growth Gaps content sub-indicators for	W	Meets	
	indicator ratings (median and adequate growth percentiles in reading, mathematics, and writing) for	English Learners, (2) Meets or Exceeds rating on Disaggregated Graduation Rate	М	Approaching	NO
	English Learners; Disaggregated Graduation Rate sub- indicators for English Learners; and Participation Rates	sub-indicator for English Learners, and (3) 95% Participation Rate for English	Grad	Approaching	
	for English Learners.	Learners.	Partici pation	Meets 95%	





**Accountability Status and Requirements for Improvement Plan** 

Program	Identification Process	Identification for District	Directions for Completing Improvement Plan
State Accountability and Grant P	rograms		
Recommended Plan Type for State Accreditation			Based on final results, the district meets or exceeds state expectations for attainment on the performance indicators and is required to adopt and implement a Performance Plan. The plan must be submitted to CDE by April 15, 2013 to be uploaded on SchoolView.org, unless other programs require an earlier submission. Refer to the UIP website for more detailed directions on the plan submission process, as well as the Quality Criteria to ensure that all required elements are captured in the district's plan at: http://www.cde.state.co.us/uip/UIP_TrainingAndSupport_Resources.asp.
Student Graduation and Completion Plan (Designated Graduation District)	District had a graduation rate (1) below 70% in 2007-8, and (2) below 59.5% in 2008-09 and (3) a dropout rate above 8%.	No, District does not need to complete a Student Graduation Completion Plan.	The district does not need to complete the additional requirements for a Student Graduation Completion Plan.
ESEA and Grant Accountability			
Title IA	Title IA funded Districts with a Priority Improvement or Turnaround plan assignment.	No, District does not have specific Title I requirements in the UIP.	District does not need to complete the additional Title I requirements.
Title IIA	Title IIA funded Districts with a Priority Improvement or Turnaround plan assignment.	No, District does not have specific Title IIA requirements in the UIP.	District does not need to complete the additional Title IIA requirements.
Program Improvement under Title III	District/Consortium missed AMAOs for two consecutive years	Title III Improvement – Year 5	Based upon final results for Title III, grantee must complete an Improvement plan for Title III using the UIP template and submit the plan by January 15, 2013. At a minimum, make sure to address any missed targets in 2010-11 and 2011-12 in the plan. An optional addendum form specific to these requirements is available to supplement your UIP at www.cde.state.co.us/uip/UIP_TrainingAndSupport_Resources.asp. In addition, the Quality Criteria can be referenced to ensure all Title III requirements are met. Pay special attention to the added requirements for Title III grantees that are identified as Program Improvement – Year 3 or more.
Improvement Support Partnership (ISP) or Targeted District Improvement Partnership (TDIP) Grants	Competitive Title I grant to support district improvement through a diagnostic review (i.e., facilitated data analysis, CADI) or an implementation focus (i.e., Best First Instruction, Leadership, Climate and Culture).	Not a Title I School Improvement Grant Awardee	The district does not need to include the additional requirements for this grant.





Section II: Improvement Plan Information

**Directions:** This section should be completed by the district.

### **Additional Information about the District**

Comprehensive Review and Selected Grant History					
Related Grant Awards  Has the district received a grant that supports the district's improvement efforts? When was the grant awarded?  No					
CADI	Has (or will) the district participated in a CADI review? If so, when?	Yes, 07-08			
External Evaluator	Has the district(s) partnered with an external evaluator to provide comprehensive evaluation? Indicate the year and the name of the provider/tool used.	Yes, Internal Audit of Student Services, 08- 09, Provider – Don Saul			

### Improvement Plan Information

The district/consortium is submitting	g this improvement plan to satisf	fy requirements for (check all that apply):		
State Accreditation	☐ Student Graduation	and Completion Plan (Designated Graduation District)	☑ Title IA	☑ Title IIA
☑ Title III □	District Partnership Grant	☐ Improvement Support Partnership Grant	Other:	
	•	ng improvement plan requirements for: District Only	☐ District and	d School Level Plans
If schools are included in this plan,	attach their pre-populated repor	ts and provide the names of the schools:		

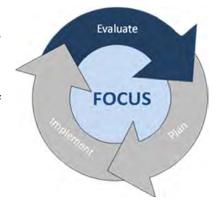
	District/Consortium Contact Information (Additional contacts may be added, if needed)				
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### Section III: Narrative on Data Analysis and Root Cause Identification

This section corresponds with the "evaluate" portion of the continuous improvement cycle. The main outcome is to construct a narrative that describes the process and results of the analysis of the data for your district. The analysis should justify the performance targets and actions proposed in section IV. Two worksheets have been provided to help organize your data analysis for your narrative. This analysis section includes: identifying where the district/consortium did not at least meet minimum state and federal accountability expectations, describing progress toward targets for the prior school year, describing what performance data were used in the analysis of trends, identifying trends and priority performance challenges (negative trends), describing how performance challenges were prioritized, identifying the root causes of performance challenges, describing how the root causes were identified and verified and what data were used, and describing stakeholder involvement in the analysis. Additional guidance on how to engage in the data analysis process is provided in Unified Improvement Planning Handbook.



### Worksheet #1: Progress Monitoring of Prior Year's Performance Targets

**Directions:** This chart supports analysis of progress made towards performance targets set for the 2011-12 school year (last year's plan). While this worksheet should be included in your UIP, *the main intent is to record your district/consortium's reflections to help build your data narrative.* 

Perforn	mance Indicators	Targets for 2011-12 school year (Targets set in last year's plan)	Performance in 2011-12? Was the target met? How close was school in meeting the target?	Brief reflection on why previous targets were met or not met.
Academic A	Achievement (Status)	By the end of the 2011-2012 school year, 70% of high school students will score proficient or advanced overall on the reading TCAP, and 51% of ELL students will score proficient or advanced in reading.	The reading academic achievement goal was partially met. The District met the high school reading achievement goal with 72% proficient or advanced on the reading TCAP, but did not meet the ELL reading achievement goal. Forty-five percent of ELL students scored proficient or advanced on the reading TCAP and the goal was 51%.	Some of our goals were met and some were not. We believe this is a result of several initiatives being fairly early in implementation. Staying the course and deepening the implementation of the action plan will result in the achievement of the goals.  • Sheltered instruction is a district-wide initiative and is in the beginning stages of
		The District 2011-12 goal will be to decrease unsatisfactory scores on Reading CSAP by an additional 10% for these disaggregated groups: Hispanic, English Language Learners, Economically Disadvantaged and	The AYP academic reading goal was not met. The disaggregated groups did not decrease the unsatisfactory scores by 10% on the reading TCAP.	implementation. SIOP strategies were first introduced to all staff members in 2011-2012 with continued introduction and implementation planned for the next two years. Access to rigorous core reading instruction is the goal and plan and will

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Performance Indicators	Targets for 2011-12 school year (Targets set in last year's plan)	Performance in 2011-12? Was the target met? How close was school in meeting the target?	Brief reflection on why previous targets were met or not met.
	Students with Disabilities.  The District 2011-12 goal will be to decrease unsatisfactory scores on Math CSAP by an additional 10% for these disaggregated groups: Hispanic, English Language Learners, Economically Disadvantaged and Students with Disabilities.	The AYP academic math goal was not met. The disaggregated groups did not decrease the unsatisfactory scores by 10% on the math TCAP.	positively impact ELL reading performance.  Tier I core instruction as identified by the district in a Tier I walk through document and plan was implemented for the first time in the 2011-2012 school year. This core instruction guide and plan support the strong implementation of best first instruction in reading. The further implementation of Tier I reading instruction will continue to be a focus for all schools in
Academic Growth	By the end of the 2011-12 school year, the median growth percentile in high school reading will be 47.	The high school reading academic growth goal was met with a 52 MGP.	the next two years with plans for support and reporting of best practice by all schools.  • Adoption and implementation of the CELP
Academic Growth	By the end of the 2011-12 school year, the median growth percentile in high school math will be 55.	The math academic growth goal was not met. High school math median growth percentile was 47 and the target was 55 MGP.	standards for increased rigor and focus on strong core instruction and intervention for ELLs did not occur until December of 2011. Further review of the new
	By the end of the 2011-12 school year, the median growth percentile in reading for IEP students will be 55.	The academic growth gap goal for IEP students was not met. Students with disabilities had a median growth percentile of 44 and the target was 55 MGP.	standards and continued professional development will support strong access to core reading for ELLs and further improve performance and levels of proficiency.
Academic Growth Gaps	By the end of the 2011-12 school year, the median growth percentile in math for all subgroups (FRL, IEP, Minority, ELL, and Non-Proficient) will be 55.	The math academic growth gap target was not met. Math median growth percentiles for the disaggregated groups were as follows: FRL-44, Minority-46, IEP-42, ELL-45, and Non-Proficient – 46 (E), 53(M), 49(H). All groups still need more growth to approach the target.	Development of a plan for integration and instruction regarding vocabulary and the infusion of intentional supports for the teaching of academic language as part of core reading instruction at all levels. This integration has been a recent focus of professional development planning and





Performance Indicators	Targets for 2011-12 school year (Targets set in last year's plan)	Performance in 2011-12? Was the target met? How close was school in meeting the target?	Brief reflection on why previous targets were met or not met.
	By the end of the 2011-12 school year, the median growth percentile in writing for IEP and FRL students will be 55.	The writing academic growth gap target was not met. Writing median growth percentiles for the disaggregated groups were as follows: FRL–50 and IEP-47. Free/Reduced Lunch students are all getting close to the target, but Individual Education Plan students still need more growth to approach the target.	will be the intentional focus of this year's action plan.  The need for improved data driven dialogue regarding ELL performance data in reading. Staff needs to continue improving conversations regarding rigor
Post Secondary Readiness	By the end of the 2011-2012 school year, the graduation rate for all students will be 80.5%, with Hispanic students at 65.9%, ELL students at 58%, and IEP students at 67.9%.	The post secondary readiness goal was very close to being met. The overall graduation goal of 80.5% was met with an 81.3%. Hispanic students did not meet the 65.9% goal but were very close with a 64.9% graduation rate. ELL students met their goal of 58% with a 67.5%, and IEP students met the 67.9% goal with a 74.5% graduation rate.	for ELLs. Data review of Galileo data, ACCESS data and reading performance data to include PALS, SRI, and DRA will be focus areas for data conversations and action plans. Dialogue must include conversation about growth and the need for ELLs to make more than one year of growth in reading to be part of the catch up group.  Improved implementation of the new math program at the elementary level. Last year was the first year of implementation and pacing guides were not efficiently implemented to fidelity. Teachers have received additional support with the spiraling of the new program and have gained experience with understanding mastery in terms of grade level concepts. Further professional development will better define the fidelity of pacing and introduction to new concepts each year.
English Language Development and Attainment (AMAOs)	n/a	n/a	

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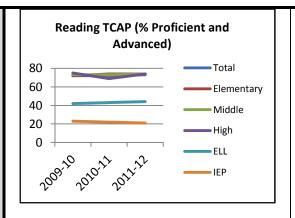
### Worksheet #2: Data Analysis

Directions: This chart supports planning teams in recording and organizing observations about district-level data in preparation for writing the required data narrative. Planning teams should describe positive and negative trends for all of the four performance indicators using at least three years of data and then prioritize the performance challenges (based on notable trends) that the district/consortium will focus its efforts on improving. The root cause analysis and improvement planning efforts in the remainder of the plan should be aimed at addressing the identified priority performance challenge(s). A limited number of priority performance challenges is recommended (no more than 3-5); a performance challenge may apply to multiple performance indicators. At a minimum, priority performance challenges must be identified in any of the four performance indicator areas where minimum state and federal expectations were not met for accountability purposes. Furthermore, districts/consortia are encouraged to consider observations recorded in the "last year's targets" worksheet. Finally, provide a brief description of the root cause analysis for any priority performance challenges. Root causes may apply to multiple priority performance challenges. You may add rows, as needed.

Performance Indicators	Description of Notable Trends (3 years of past state and local data)		Priority Performance Challenges	Root Causes		
Academic Achievement (Status)	Reading (SPF  Reading TO  Total  Elementary  Middle  High  ELL  IEP		r all levels)  rail levels)  rail levels)  rail levels)  72  74  73  69  43  22		Persistent achievement gap in reading TCAP for ELL students (gap of 29-30 percentage points) and IEP students (gap of 49-52 percentage points). Performance for ELL (15.5% of student population) and IEP (9.3% of student population) students is substantially below the state expectations of 69%-72% proficient/advanced on reading TCAP.	Lack of consistent English Language Development instruction for ELL students  Low expectations for English Language Learners  Lack of clarity and consistent implementation of transition to English model in bilingual schools  Inconsistent Tier 1 instruction in reading  Inconsistent implementation of reading interventions







- Performing at or above state percentages across all grade levels
- Performing above state expectations at all levels
- Large gap between total students and the subgroups of ELL (29-30 percentage point gap) and IEP(49-52 percentage point gap) students
- Achievement gaps for ELL and IEP students are consistent and persistent for the past three years

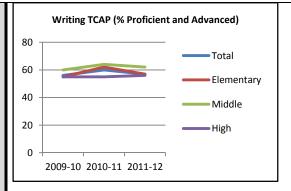
Writing (SPF – meets for all levels)

Writing TCAP (% Proficient and Advanced)						
2009-10 2010-11 2011-12						
56	60	57				
55	62	57				
60	64	62				
55	55	56				
	2009-10 56 55 60	2009-10         2010-11           56         60           55         62           60         64				

n/a

n/a





- Performing at or above state percentages across all grade levels
- Performing above state expectations at all levels

**Math** (SPF – meets for middle and high school and approaching for elementary)

Math TCAP (% Proficient and Advanced)							
	2009-10	2009-10 2010-11 2011-12					
Total	59	60	58				
Elementary	70	71	70				
Middle	58	61	58				
High	43	40	41				
ELL	33	37	33				
IEP	17	17	16				

Persistent achievement gap in math TCAP for ELL students (gap of 23-26 percentage points) and IEP students (gap of 42-43 percentage points). Performance for ELL (15.5% of student population) and IEP (9.3% of student population) students is substantially below the state expectations of proficient/advanced on math TCAP.

Elementary math

Inconsistent Tier 1 math instruction

Lack of diagnostic math assessments

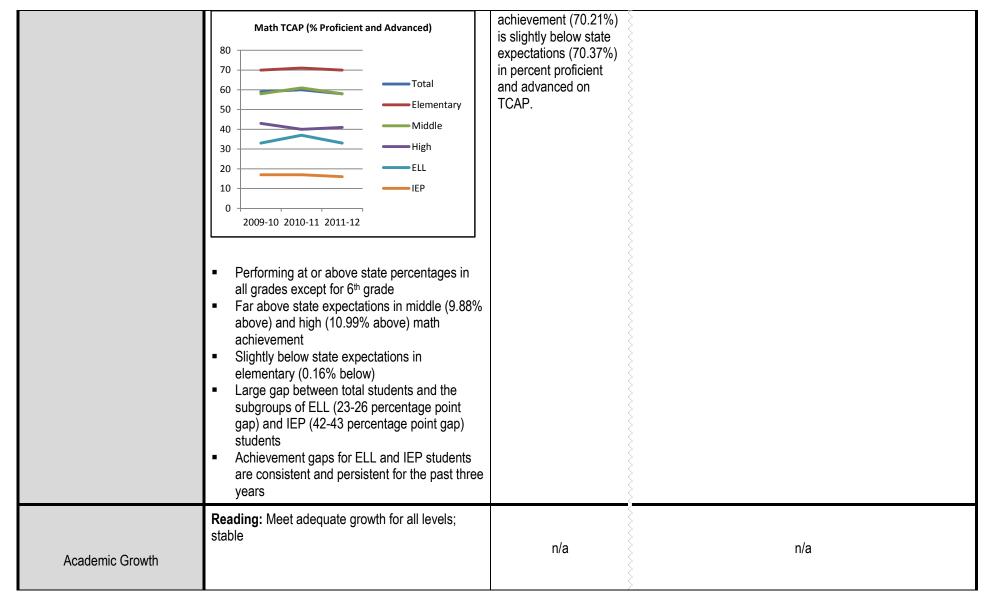
Lack of math interventions aligned with student needs

Lack of consistent English Language Development instruction for ELL students

Low expectations for English Language Learners



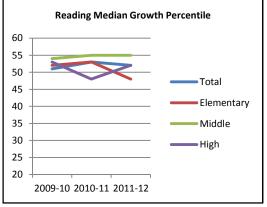








Reading Median Growth Percentile						
	2009-10 2010-11 2011-12					
Total	51	53	52			
Elementary	52	53	48			
Middle	54	55	55			
High	53	48	52			



 Performing far above state expectations at all levels (MGP's are 23-37 above)

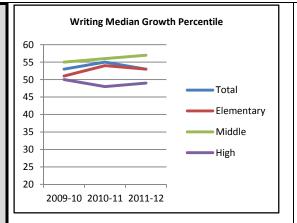
**Writing:** Meets adequate growth for all levels (SPF - meets); stable

Writing Median Growth Percentile						
2009-10 2010-11 2011-12						
53	55	53				
51	54	53				
55	56	57				
50	48	49				
	2009-10 53 51 55	2009-10         2010-11           53         55           51         54           55         56				

n/a

n/a





 Performing far above state expectations at all levels (MGP's are 9-14 above)

**Math:** Meets for middle level; approaching for elementary and high school levels; not making adequate growth for all levels; stable overall

Math Median Growth Percentile						
	2009-10 2010-11 2011-12					
Total	47	52	50			
Elementary	47	46	46			
Middle	55	56	55			
High	48	46	45			

Inconsistent Tier 1 math instruction

Lack of diagnostic math assessments

Below state

expectation of 55 and lower than adequate

math median growth percentile for elementary (46) and

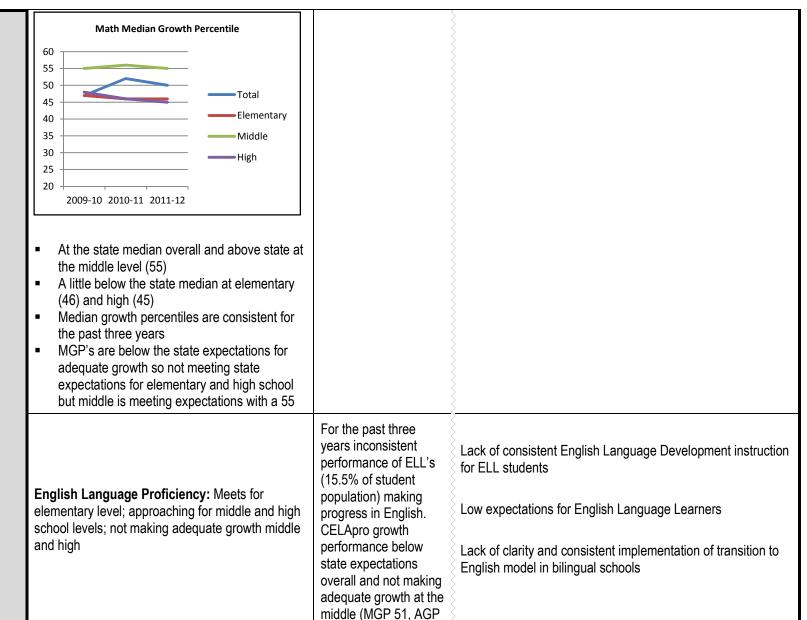
high school (45) levels.

Lack of math interventions aligned with student needs

Lack of consistent English Language Development instruction for ELL students

Low expectations for English Language Learners



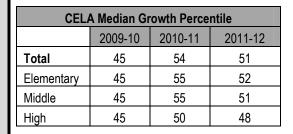


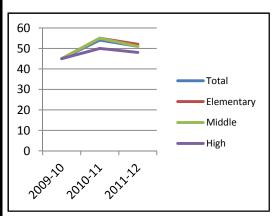




2011-12 CELApro Growth						
	MGP AGP Pts. Pts. Possible					
Elem	52	44	1.5	2		
Middle	51	55	1	2		
High	48	76	1	2		
Overall			3.5	6		

55) and high (MGP 48,
AGP 76) school levels.





- Above the state median overall and above state at elementary and middle levels in CELApro growth
- A little below the state median at high school



	level (48)  • Median growth percentiles are inconsistent but gaining for the past three years					
Academic Growth Gaps	Middle: (SF Approa High: (SPF Approa  Read  Total FRL/Non Min/Non IEP/Non ELL/Non  At or a each s Increas all sub Startin minorit Making	ching – IEP PF) ching – IEP ching – IEP ching – FRI ding Median 2009-10 52 47/54 48/53 38/52 50/52  bove the strubgroup exing MGP or groups g to close the structure of the post point of the post post post point of the post post post post post post post post	, Non-Prof , ELL, Non-F , IEP, ELL,  Growth Pero 2010-11 53 50/56 52/54 46/54 54/53  ate median occept IEP (45 ver the past	Non-Prof  centile  2011-12  52  50/54  51/53  45/53  53/52   Everall and for other of three years for GP for FRL, fing the gap for	Below state expectation of 55 and lower than adequate reading median growth percentile for IEP (9.3% of student population, MGP-45), ELL (15.5% of student population, MGP-53), and Non-Proficient (MGP-52, 54, 49) students.	Lack of consistent English Language Development instruction for ELL students  Low expectations for English Language Learners  Lack of clarity and consistent implementation of transition to English model in bilingual schools  Inconsistent Tier 1 instruction in reading  Inconsistent implementation of reading interventions
	IEP stu this su		till have the	largest gap for		



## **Growth Gaps in Writing:**

Elementary: (SPF)

Approaching - FRL, IEP

Middle: (SPF)

Approaching - FRL, Minority, IEP, ELL

High: (SPF)

 $Approaching-FRL,\,Minority,\,IEP,\,ELL,\,$ 

Non-Prof

Writing Median Growth Percentile					
	2009-10 2010-11 2011-1				
Total	53	55	53		
FRL/Non	47/56	50/57	50/55		
Min/Non	49/55	53/56	52/54		
IEP/Non	38/54	46/56	47/54		
ELL/Non	50/53	54/55	56/53		

- At or above the state median overall and for each subgroup except IEP (47)
- Increasing MGP over the past three years for all subgroups
- Starting to close the gap in writing MGP for FRL, minority, and IEP
- ELL students are outperforming non-ELL students by 3 percentile points
- Making the most progress closing the gap with IEP students but still have the largest gap for this subgroup

Below state expectation of 55 and lower than adequate writing median growth percentile for IEP (9.3% of student population, MGP-47) and FRL (32% of students, MGP-50) students.

Inconsistent Tier I writing instruction

Lack of writing interventions connected to reading interventions and/or core reading instruction

Inconsistency in the development of vocabulary for ELL students

Lack of explicit writing instruction and expectations for ELL students



### **Growth Gaps in Math:**

Elementary: (SPF)

Does not meet - FRL, IEP

Approaching - Minority, ELL, Non-

Prof

Middle: (SPF)

Approaching - FRL, Minority, IEP, ELL,

Non- Prof High: (SPF)

Approaching – FRL, Minority, IEP, ELL

Non-Prof

Math Median Growth Percentile					
	2009-10	2009-10 2010-11 2011-			
Total	47	52	50		
FRL/Non	39/52	46/55	44/53		
Min/Non	40/51	48/54	46/52		
IEP/Non	31/48	41/53	41/51		
ELL/Non	40/49	47/53	45/51		

- At the state median overall but below for each subgroup
- Inconsistent but increasing MGP over the past three years for all subgroups
- Math MGPs are lower than reading and writing overall and for all subgroups
- Starting to close the gap in math MGP for FRL, minority, ELL, and IEP
- Making the most progress closing the gap with IEP students but still have the largest gap for this subgroup

Declining but persistent median growth percentile gap in math TCAP for FRL (gap of 9), Minority (gap of 6), IEP (gap of 10), and ELL (gap of 6) students. Performance for FRL (32% of students), Minority (35% of students), ELL (15.5% of student population) and IEP (9.3% of student population) students is considerably below the state expectations of 55 MGP on math TCAP.

Inconsistent Tier 1 math instruction

Lack of diagnostic math assessments

Lack of math interventions aligned with student needs

Lack of consistent English Language Development instruction for ELL students

Low expectations for English Language Learners



**Graduation Rate:** SPF – meets; best of 4-7 year rates is above state expectation of 80%, increasing;

Meets - overall

Approaching – FRL, IEP, ELL

Does not meet – Minority

Post Secondary & Workforce Readiness

2009-2011 Aggregate Graduation Rate (%)					
	4yr	5yr	6yr	7yr	
Total	76.7	78.7	79.5	81.3	
FRL	61.9	64.9	66.2	65.5	
MIN	61.5	63.9	64.9	64.5	
IEP	56.2	62.4	67.8	74.5	
ELL	57.4	62.6	65.2	67.5	

4 year Graduation Data:

Overall:

2009 - 77.62%

2010 - 76.5%

2011 – 78%

Hispanic:

2009 - 61.5%

2010 - 55.9%

2011 - 59.1%

ELL:

2009 - 63.7%

2010 - 54.9%

2011 - 53.4%

Lack of consistent English Language Development instruction for ELL students

Low expectations for English Language Learners

For the past three years, there is a significant gap in graduation rate for minority (64.9%, gap of 16.8%, 35% of students), FRL (66.2%, gap of 15.8%, 32% of students), IEP (74.5%, gap of 6.8%, 9.3% of students), and ELL (67.5%, gap of 13.8%, 15.5% of students) students compared to the overall graduation rate of 81.3%.

Lack of clarity and consistent implementation of transition to English model in bilingual schools

Inconsistent Tier 1 instruction in reading

Inconsistent implementation of reading interventions

Inconsistent Tier 1 math instruction

Lack of diagnostic math assessments

Lack of math interventions aligned with student needs

Lack of consistent English Language Development instruction for ELL students

Low expectations for English Language Learners





	IEP: 2009 – 71.8% 2010 – 57.9% 2011 – 55.3%		
	Dropout Rate: 2.7% for 3 year (meets on SPF), state average is 3.9% 2009: 2.9% (state 3.6%) 2010: 2.3% (state 3.1%) 2011: 2.9% (state 3.6%)	n/a	n/a
	Mean ACT Composite Scores: above expectation, meets on SPF 2010 – 20.3 (above state) 2011 – 20.4 (above state) 2012 – 20.2 (above state)	n/a	n/a
Student Graduation and Completion Plan (Designated Graduation District)	n/a	n/a	n/a
English Language Development and Attainment (AMAOs)	AMAO #1: Making Progress in English 2009-10: Did not meet target, 46.22% of students made progress (below expectation of 48%) 2010-11: Met target, 50.42% of students made progress (expectation 50%) 2011-12: Approaching target (CELApro Growth)	For the past three years inconsistent performance of ELL's (15.5% of student population) making progress in English. CELApro growth performance below state expectations overall and not making adequate growth at the middle (MGP 51, AGP 55) and high (MGP 48, AGP 76) school levels.	Lack of consistent English Language Development instruction for ELL students  Low expectations for English Language Learners  Lack of clarity and consistent implementation of transition to English model in bilingual schools





2011-12 CELApro Growth						
	MGP	AGP	Pts.	Pts. Possible		
Elem	52	44	1.5	2		
Middle	51	55	1	2		
High	48	76	1	2		
Overall			3.5	6		
AMAO #2: Attaining Proficiency in English 2009-10: Met target, 5.87% of students attained proficiency (meets expectation of 5%) 2010-11: Met target, 9.6% of students attained proficiency (meets expectation of 6%) 2011-12: Met target, 10.25% of students attained proficiency (meets expectation of 7%)				s attained attained	n/a	n/a
AMAO #3: Proficiency and Graduation Rate for EL's (TCAP Growth and Graduation Rate) 2009-10: Did not meet target, 70.59% of AYP ELL targets (below expectation of 100%) 2010-11: Did not meet target, 82.35% of AYP ELL targets met (below expectation of 100%) 2011-12: Approaching Target (24/40, 60% of points, below expectation of 62.5% or above)				Rate) of AYP ELL of AYP ELL %) 60% of	Median Growth Percentiles for ELL's (15.5% of student population) are not meeting or exceeding the adequate growth needed for students to become proficient. Math MGPs are the lowest for ELL's with 40 for elementary, 49 for middle, and 45 for high.	Lack of consistent English Language Development instruction for ELL students  Low expectations for English Language Learners  Lack of clarity and consistent implementation of transition to English model in bilingual schools  Inconsistent Tier 1 math instruction  Lack of diagnostic math assessments
					Graduation rates for ELL's (67.5%) consistently lag behind	Lack of math interventions aligned with student needs





2011-12 TCAP Proficiency and Grad Rate				Rate		all students (81.3%)	Inconsistent Tier 1 instruction in reading		
	Reading	51	48	3/4			Inconsistent implementation of reading interventions		
Elem	Writing	55	58	3/4		00 70.			
	Math	40	63	2/4					
	Reading	53	55	2/4					
Middle	Writing	57	74	3/4					
	Math	49	85	2/4					
	Reading	53	61	2/4					
High	Writing	57	92	3/4					
	Math	45	99	2/4					
		Grad Rate	Year Used	Pts.					
Grad Rate		67.5	7	2/4					
Overall				24/40					
	Elem  Middle  High  Grad Rate	Elem Reading Writing Math Reading Writing Math Reading Writing Math Reading Writing Math Grad Rate	Reading   51	Reading   51   48	Reading   51	Reading   51   48   3/4	Reading   51   48   3/4     Elem   Writing   55   58   3/4     Math   40   63   2/4     Meading   57   74   3/4     Math   49   85   2/4     Math   49   85   2/4     High   Writing   57   92   3/4     Math   45   99   2/4     Grad   Rate   Used     Grad   Grad   Rate   Constant     Grad   Grad   Grad   Grad   Grad     Rate   Grad   Grad   Grad   Grad   Grad     Rate   Grad   Grad   Grad   Grad   Grad     Rate   Grad   Grad   Grad   Grad   Grad   Grad     Rate   Grad   Gr		



#### Data Narrative for District/Consortium

**Directions:** Building on the data organized in Worksheet #1 and Worksheet #2, describe the process and results of the data analysis for the district/consortium, including review of prior years' targets, trends, priority performance challenges and root cause analysis. The narrative should address each aspect of the descriptions below. The narrative should not take more than five pages.

#### **Data Narrative for District/Consortium**

Description of District(s) **Review Current Performance: Trend Analysis:** Provide a description **Priority Performance Challenges:** Root Cause Analysis Identify at **Setting and Process for** Review the SPF and document of the trend analysis that includes at Identify notable trends (or a combination least one root cause for every Data Analysis: Provide a any areas where the district(s) least three years of data (state and of trends) that are the highest priority to priority performance challenge. very brief description of the local data). Trend statements should address (priority performance Root causes should address adult did not meet state/ federal district(s) to set the context expectations. Consider the be provided in the four indicator areas challenges). No more than 3-4 are actions, be under the control of the for readers (e.g., previous year's progress toward and by disaggregated groups. Trend recommended. Provide a rationale for district, and address the priority demographics). Include the district's targets. Identify the statements should include the direction why these challenges have been performance challenge(s). Provide the general process for overall magnitude of the selected and takes into consideration the evidence that the root cause was of the trend and a comparison (e.g., developing the UIP and district's performance state expectations, state average) to magnitude of the district's over-all verified through the use of participants (e.g., SAC). challenges. indicate why the trend is notable. performance challenges. additional data.

#### Narrative:

#### **Description of District**

The St. Vrain Valley School District (SVVSD) celebrated its 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary this year. We are a district that encompasses 411 square miles, 8 municipalities and is the 9<sup>th</sup> largest school district in the State of Colorado. There are currently 54 schools and programs with over 28,000 students, and we continue to grow. Our schools have received 27 John Irwin School of Distinction Awards, numerous Governors' Distinguished Improvement Awards and have graduated multiple Boettcher Scholarship winners. The SVVSD IB (International Baccalaureate) program was recognized for student scores that exceed the IB world average performance. The graduation rate among our traditional high schools is 89%. The 28,000+ student population includes 65% white students, 28.5% Hispanic, along with 3.5% Asian and a small variety of other ethnicities. Within the population, 15.5% are considered ELL, 33% Free and Reduced and 9% have IEPs. Only 1% of SVVSD teachers are considered less than "highly qualified" by national standards. More than half hold a Master's Degree or higher. Academic excellence by design is a benchmark that we strive to meet each day.

#### **Process for Data Analysis**

The completion of the data analysis process was the result of collaboration between principals and teacher representatives from the elementary, middle, and high school, as well as representatives from Title I, special education, our ELA office, Superintendent's Office and the Department of Learning Services leadership. The team considered three years of data related to academic performance trends, including graduation rates. An in-depth review of several data points included TCAP results and additional district-administered interim assessment results from Galileo and CELApro. The process for data review was data driven dialogue with an extensive focus on identifying trends and root causes. Trends in achievement were consistent across these measures supporting the identification of priority performance challenges. ELL scores were inconsistent and low in math, especially at the high school level which resulted in meetings with ESL staff from all levels to gather additional information regarding ELL performance. The specific data review for ELLs in math content classes as well as a review of the implementation of SIOP in the math departments is a focus area. This was the second year for implementation of the SIOP model district wide and the ESL department representatives expressed a need for improved identification of math strategies that would support improving ELL student access to math core. We met with the math department coordinator and representative math teachers from all school levels to review data and define root causes with regard to overall flat math performance. Title 1 principals also met with the math department coordinator and the executive director of assessment and curriculum to define root causes and possible solutions to lower math performance at Title 1 schools. Meetings with representatives from Student Services for eview IEP student data and the low performance by IEP students performance remained flat overall district wide, a data review of reading performance trends occurred and revealed t



trend must be addressed to assure student success in reading. All of the trends, priority performance challenges, root causes were examined thoroughly to identify goals and strategic improvement strategies. Finally, the District Accountability/Accreditation Committee reviewed the District and schools' data and achievement results, and District Unified Improvement Plan extensively using the UIP Quality Criteria documents and checklists. The Committee made recommendations about the District and schools' plans.

### **Current Performance Review**

Overall on the District Performance Framework we are accredited with a performance plan. We meet expectations for Academic Achievement, Academic Growth, and Postsecondary and Workforce Readiness. We are approaching expectations in Academic Growth Gaps. While we meet a majority of the indicators as a whole, when we disaggregate our data we see a sizable, persistent gap in most academic and postsecondary workforce readiness areas for two subgroups of students: English Language Learners (ELL) and students with disabilities (IEP). ELL students represent 15.5% of our student population and IEP students are 9.3% of students. Academic Growth Gaps is an indicator we have struggled to meet. There is a growth gap for most subgroups (FRL, Minority, IEP, ELL, and students needing to catch up) in all contents and most levels. In looking at specific contents, math has the greatest need for improvement. Reading and writing meet all targets in Academic Achievement and Academic Growth while math only meets half of the targets. For Academic growth gaps reading and writing meet some of the targets, but math misses all targets. We have made some progress in closing the achievement and growth gap for all subgroups in all contents especially with ELL students, but there still is a need for more intense intervention for all subgroups and improved Tier One instruction.

Academic Achievement - Meets							
	Elem	Middle	High				
Reading	Meets	Meets	Meets				
Math	Approaching	Meets	Meets				
Writing	Meets	Meets	Meets				
Science	Meets	Meets	Meets				

Academic Growth Gaps - Approaching							
	Elem	Middle	High				
Reading	Meets	Approaching	Approaching				
Math	Approaching	Approaching	Approaching				
Writing	Meets	Approaching	Approaching				

Academic Growth - Meets							
	Elem	Middle	High				
Reading	Meets	Meets	Meets				
Math	Approaching	Meets	Approaching				
Writing	Meets	Meets	Meets				
ELA	Meets	Approaching	Approaching				

Postsecondary Workforce Readiness- Meets					
	High				
Graduation Rate	Meets				
Disaggregated Graduation Rate	Approaching				
Dropout Rate	Meets				
ACT	Meets				

### **Prior Year's Targets Review**

One of our goals last year was met, two were very close to meeting, and six were not. We believe this is a result of several initiatives being fairly early in implementation. Staying the course and deepening the implementation of the action plan will result in the achievement of the goals.

- Sheltered instruction is a district-wide initiative and is in the beginning stages of implementation. SIOP strategies were first introduced to all staff members in 2011-2012 with continued introduction and implementation planned for the next two years. Access to rigorous core reading instruction is the goal and plan and will positively impact ELL reading performance.
- Tier I core instruction, as identified by the district in a Tier I walk through document and plan, was implemented for the first time in the 2011-2012 school year. This core instruction guide and plan support the strong implementation of best first instruction in reading. The further implementation of Tier I reading instruction will continue to be a focus for all schools in the next two years with plans for support and reporting of best practice by all schools.
- Adoption and implementation of the CELP standards for increased rigor and focus on strong core instruction and intervention for ELLs did not occur until December of 2011. Further review of



- the new standards and continued professional development will support strong access to core reading for ELLs and further improve performance and levels of proficiency.
- Development of a plan for integration and instruction regarding vocabulary and the infusion of intentional supports for the teaching of academic language as part of core reading instruction at all levels. This integration has been a recent focus of professional development planning and will be the intentional focus of this year's action plan.
- The need for improved data driven dialogue regarding ELL performance data in reading. Staff needs to continue improving conversations regarding rigor for ELLs. Data review of Galileo data, ACCESS data and reading performance data to include PALS, SRI, and DRA will be focus areas for data conversations and action plans. Dialogue must include conversation about growth and the need for ELLs to make more than one year of growth in reading to be part of the catch up group.
- Improved implementation of the new math program at the elementary level. Last year was the first year of implementation and pacing guides were not efficiently implemented to fidelity. Teachers have received additional support with the spiraling of the new program and have gained experience with understanding mastery in terms of grade level concepts. Further professional development will better define the fidelity of pacing and introduction to new concepts each year.

### **Trend Analysis**

### Academic Achievement

Reading and writing TCAP achievement overall is stable over the past three years and meeting state and federal expectations. There is a sizable gap in TCAP reading achievement for ELL (gap of 29-30 percentage points) and IEP (gap of 49-52 percentage points) students over the past three years. District TCAP math achievement is far above state expectations at the middle and high school levels, but slightly below (by 0.16%) expectations at the elementary level. Again there is a gap in TCAP math achievement for ELL (gap of 23-26 percentage points) and IEP (gap of 42-43 percentage points) students over the past three years.

#### Academic Growth

Reading and writing TCAP academic growth percentiles are far above state expectations at all levels, meeting adequate growth, and are stable over time. Math median growth percentiles are meeting at the middle (55) level but only approaching for elementary (46) and high (45) school levels and median growth percentiles are not adequate for all levels. Math median growth percentiles are fairly stable over time. English Language Proficiency as measured by growth on CELApro is meeting expectations at the elementary (52) level but approaching for the middle (51) and high (48) levels. CELApro median growth percentiles are not making adequate growth at the middle and high school levels.

### Academic Growth Gaps

Reading, writing, and math combined academic growth gaps are approaching state expectations. Reading median growth percentile (MGP) is lower than adequate growth for IEP (45), ELL (53), and non-proficient (52, 54, 49) students. Reading MGPs are increasing for all subgroups over time and the gap is starting to close in reading growth for FRL, minority, IEP, and ELL students. Writing median growth percentiles are also lower than adequate for IEP (47) and FRL (50) students. Writing MGPs are increasing for all subgroups and the gap is closing for FRL, minority, and IEP students. ELL students have a higher MGP than non-ELL students by three percentile. We are making the most progress closing the writing growth gap with IEP students but this is still the largest gap compared to other subgroups. Math median growth percentiles are at the state median overall but below the state median for each subgroup. The math growth gap is declining but there is still a math significant growth gap for FRL (44), minority (46), IEP (41), and ELL (45) students. As with writing, the math median growth percentile gap for IEP students is decreasing but remains the largest gap.

### Postsecondary Workforce Readiness

Overall our graduation rate is meeting state expectations with an 81.3%. We are only approaching graduation state expectations with FRL (66.2%), IEP (74.5%), ELL (67.5%) students, and not meeting expectations with minority (64.9%) students. Graduation rate remains stable over time, but IEP and ELL graduation rates are showing strong improvement. Dropout rate continues to be considerably below the state average and meeting expectations. ACT composite scores are also meeting expectation and above state scores.

### English Language Development and Attainment (AMAOs)

We are approaching AMAO #1 Making Progress in English. We are above the state median growth on CELApro for the elementary (52) and middle (51) levels and slightly below at the high (48) school level. We are meeting AMAO #2 Attaining Proficiency in English and have met this target the last three years. AMAO #3 is Proficiency and Graduation Rate for EL's (TCAP Growth and Graduation Rate) and we are approaching this target by scoring 24/40 or 60% of the points which is below the expectation of 62.5%. EL's median growth percentiles in reading and writing are all above the state median, but math growth percentiles are below state scores.



Notable trends exist in particular for ELL and IEP students. These trends are notable because they occur in almost every indicator and the size of the gap in performance is larger and more persistent over time than for other groups of students. The gap for ELL students is of higher magnitude because it impacts 15.5% of the student population.

### **Priority Performance Challenges**

Priority performance challenges reflect the notable trend that the performance gap occurs in all indicators with ELL and IEP students.

- Persistent achievement gap in reading TCAP for ELL students (gap of 29-30 percentage points) and IEP students (gap of 49-52 percentage points). Performance for ELL (15.5% of student population) and IEP (9.3% of student population) students is substantially below the state expectations of 69%-72% proficient/advanced on reading TCAP.
- Persistent achievement gap in math TCAP for ELL students (gap of 23-26 percentage points) and IEP students (gap of 42-43 percentage points). Performance for ELL (15.5% of student population) and IEP (9.3% of student population) students is substantially below the state expectations of proficient/advanced on math TCAP.
- Elementary math achievement (70.21%) is slightly below state expectations (70.37%) in percent proficient and advanced on TCAP.
- Below state expectation of 55 and lower than adequate math median growth percentile for elementary (46) and high school (45) levels.
- For the past three years inconsistent performance of ELL's (15.5% of student population) making progress in English. CELApro growth performance below state expectations overall and not making adequate growth at the middle (MGP 51, AGP 55) and high (MGP 48, AGP 76) school levels.
- Below state expectation of 55 and lower than adequate reading median growth percentile for IEP (9.3% of student population, MGP-45), ELL (15.5% of student population, MGP-53), and Non-Proficient (MGP-52, 54, 49) students.
- Below state expectation of 55 and lower than adequate writing median growth percentile for IEP (9.3% of student population, MGP-47) and FRL (32% of students, MGP-50) students.
- Declining but persistent median growth percentile gap in math TCAP for FRL (gap of 9), Minority (gap of 6), IEP (gap of 10), and ELL (gap of 6) students. Performance for FRL (32% of students), Minority (35% of students), ELL (15.5% of student population) and IEP (9.3% of student population) students is considerably below the state expectations of 55 MGP on math TCAP.
- For the past three years, there is a significant gap in graduation rate for minority (64.9%, gap of 16.8%, 35% of students), FRL (66.2%, gap of 15.8%, 32% of students), IEP (74.5%, gap of 6.8%, 9.3% of students), and ELL (67.5%, gap of 13.8%, 15.5% of students) students compared to the overall graduation rate of 81.3%.
- For the past three years inconsistent performance of ELL's (15.5% of student population) making progress in English. CELApro growth performance below state expectations overall and not making adequate growth at the middle (MGP 51, AGP 55) and high (MGP 48, AGP 76) school levels.
- Median Growth Percentiles for ELL's (15.5% of student population) are not meeting or exceeding the adequate growth needed for students to become proficient. Math MGPs are the lowest for ELL's with 40 for elementary, 49 for middle, and 45 for high.
- Graduation rates for ELL's (67.5%) consistently lag behind all students (81.3%) and are far below the state expectation of 80%.

### **Root Causes**

- Lack of consistent English Language Development instruction for ELL students
- Low expectations for English Language Learners
- Lack of clarity and consistent implementation of transition to English model in bilingual schools
- Inconsistent Tier 1 instruction in reading
- Inconsistent implementation of reading interventions
- Inconsistent Tier 1 math instruction
- Lack of diagnostic math assessments
- Lack of math interventions aligned with student needs
- Inconsistent Tier I writing instruction
- Lack of writing interventions connected to reading interventions and/or core reading instruction
- Inconsistency in the development of vocabulary for ELL students



Lack of explicit writing instruction and expectations for ELL students

Root Cause: Low reading, writing, and math performance by ELL students

We have spent significant time reviewing ELL student performance data and programming that would support improved performance by ELL students. With 85% of our ELL population Spanish speaking and approximately 70% of families choosing bilingual education, we have spent time reviewing our bilingual model in terms of transition to English and time spent in Spanish instruction vs. English instruction. We have found that misunderstandings regarding our bilingual model may be contributing to the poor performance by ELL students since most of the unsatisfactory reading and math performance is occurring at our bilingual schools. We have improved English language instruction and are in the process of implementing the SIOP sheltered instruction model in all schools. We are currently meeting regularly with all bilingual teachers by grade level to ensure that agreements regarding language acquisition and student interaction are clear and implemented with fidelity. Based on teacher and principal feedback and data review to include AMAO target review, we have identified the above root causes.

#### Verification:

Our initial discussions of TCAP, Galileo (formative assessment) and CELA data led us to examine more closely Tier One instruction in reading and math and English language acquisition particularly in bilingual schools. We met with our bilingual teachers to gather more information about the content of classroom instruction and timeframes for teaching in English and in Spanish as a large percentage of ELL students in St. Vrain are in bilingual schools for initial reading and math instruction. The information attained from these discussions verified our root cause determination that ELL students do not receive consistent English instruction and opportunities for practice in English reading and math before they are transitioned to English only instruction. When students are learning concepts in their second language, a consistent plan for sheltering instruction to improve access to the core has not existed. The implementation of the SIOP Sheltered Instruction Model will be a benefit to supporting consistency.

Root Cause: Low reading, writing, and math performance by IEP students

An extensive review of data for students on IEPs resulted in the identification of multiple root causes for low reading, writing and math performance by students on IEPs. SPED teachers and Student Services leadership as well as principals and core classroom teachers expressed the need for more intentional Tier One instructional strategies that would benefit students on IEPs. Also of note was the continued identification of need regarding access to interventions that are based on specific student profiles and need. The above root causes that specify Tier 1 instruction and access to interventions were identified.

#### Verification:

Consistent review of IEP data, goal setting planning and discussion by teams to include the Department of Learning Services leadership team, the Student Services leadership team, and representative SPED teachers confirmed the identification of the root causes listed. Data review from IEP student performance over the past three years confirmed that performance gaps exist for this subgroup. Though the District has worked to implement a pyramid of interventions with a focus on differentiated interventions, time for intervention has proven to be an area of consideration and concern. Principals have noted in self-assessment surveys of Rtl implementation that time for interventions and interventions that match student need continue to be of concern.

Root Cause: Graduation Rate not meeting the state expectation for ELL and IEP students

Our graduation rate is meeting the state expectations for all students. We have been focused on improving the graduation rate of Hispanic students with a district goal of increasing the rate for the past three years. Graduation rate goals were not met for minority students (64.9%) and ELL students (67.5%). We have implemented procedures for timely identification of students who are not on track to graduate. We continue to refine a plan for improved use of Infinite Campus (IC) to track student performance with regard to credit accumulation for individual students. Teachers and counselors have been trained to use IC to effectively monitor student access to core classes, monitor Fs, and monitor credit accumulation. We are in the process of refining a more aggressive plan for credit recovery options when students fail classes. The District leadership has defined a plan for reviewing alternative options for students who are not successful in traditional school settings.

#### Verification:

In order to gain additional information on the reasons our graduation rate does not meet the state expectation for ELL and IEP student, we met with District leadership, teachers, counselors and





secondary administrators. There was consistent response that there were few interventions and alternatives available for students who fall behind in earning credits. There is a belief that a plan for earlier intervention with secondary students who present as at-risk is needed. Much discussion regarding mentoring of at risk students with a focus on Hispanic students occurred resulting in a recommendation that this option be explored.

Root Cause Verification also consisted of the review and comparison of PALS and Galileo data to TCAP data. We found that our data is fairly consistent across assessments.

PALS (% of Students Achieving Summed Score Cut Off)								
2009-10 2010-11 2011-12								
Kindergarten	80%	75.3%	81.4%					
1st grade	79.1%	80%	87.3%					
2 <sup>nd</sup> grade	79.3%	77.7%	85.3%					
3 <sup>rd</sup> grade	80.2%	82.3%	85%					

Reading Galileo (% Proficient and Advanced)						
2011-12						
Total 70%						
Elementary	74%					
Middle	67%					
High	68%					

Writing Galileo (% Proficient and Advanced)						
2011-12						
Total	57%					
Elementary	59%					
Middle	61%					
High	52%					

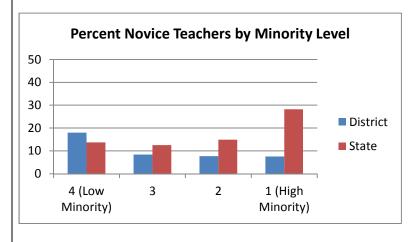
Math Galileo (% Proficient and Advanced)						
2011-12						
Total 52%						
Elementary 61%						
Secondary	43%					



### **Equitable Distribution of Teachers**

With regard to the equitable distribution of teachers, the District does not have a higher percentage of novice teachers in high minority schools. The District significantly outperforms the state in this area with a 20.65% gap between the state and St. Vrain. We only have 7.55% novice teachers in our high minority schools compared to 17.98% in the low minority schools. The only Title 1 school that has a higher than average (District average is 11.24%) percent of novice teachers and a growth rating of approaching is Spangler Elementary (19.23% novice) and this school will be closed at the end of the 2012-13 school year. This school's higher rate of novice teachers is a direct result of planning for closure which prompted a higher than normal turnover rate in the staff. Since the lowest percent of novice teachers is in the high minority schools in St. Vrain Valley School District, no further action is needed at this time.

Teacher Equity – Novice Teachers by Minority Level							
Metric	Percent	Percent of Novice Teachers			Metric	Experier	nce Gap
Minority	District	State	Gap w/ State		Minority	District	State
4 (Low Minority)	17.98%	13.74%	4.24%		Gap between 4 (low) and 1 (high)	-10.44%	14.46%
3	8.44%	12.5%	-4.06%		Gap between 4 (low) and 1 (high)	-10.29%	1.16%
2	7.69%	14.89%	-7.2%		Gap between 4 (low) and 1 (high)	-0.89%	15.7%
1 (High Minority)	7.55%	28.2%	-20.65%				



Title 1 Teacher Equity - Percent Novice and Minority Level							
Title 1 School	Percent Novice Teachers	Minority Level	Growth Rating				
Columbine Elementary	4.17%	88.86%	Meets				
Indian Peaks Elementary	3.45%	91.70%	Approaching				
Loma Linda Elementary	0%	77.21%	Approaching				
Northridge Elementary	7.69%	82.38%	Approaching				
Rocky Mountain Elementary	0%	93.93%	Approaching				
Spangler Elementary	19.23%	90.95%	Approaching				





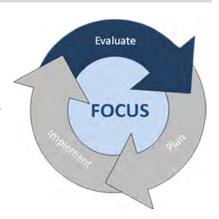
### Section IV: Action Plan(s)

This section addresses the "plan" portion of the continuous improvement cycle. First, you will identify your annual performance targets and the interim measures. This will be documented in the required District/Consortium Target Setting Form below. Then you will move into action planning, which should be captured in the Action Planning Form.

### **District/Consortium Target Setting Form**

**Directions:** Complete the worksheet below. While districts/consortia may set targets for all performance indicators, at a minimum, they must set targets for those priority performance challenges identified in Section III (e.g., by disaggregated student groups, grade levels, subject areas).

Districts are expected to set their own annual targets for academic achievement, academic growth, academic growth gaps and postsecondary and workforce readiness. At a minimum, districts should set targets for each of the performance indicators where state expectations are not met – in each area where a priority performance challenge was identified; targets should also be connected to prioritized performance challenges. Consider last year's targets (see Worksheet #1) and whether adjustments need to be made. For each annual performance target, identify interim measures that will be used to monitor progress toward the annual targets at least quarterly during the school year.





**District/Consortium Target Setting Form** 

Performance	Measures/		Priority Performance	Annual Performance Targets		Interim Measures for	Major Improvement	
Indicators	Indicators Metrics		Challenges	2012-13	2013-14	2012-13	Strategy	
Academic Achievement	TCAP/CSAP, CoAlt/CSAPA,	R	Persistent achievement gap in reading TCAP for ELL students (gap of 29-30 percentage points) and IEP students (gap of 49-52 percentage points). Performance for ELL (15.5% of student population) and IEP (9.3% of student population) students is substantially below the state expectations of 69%-72% proficient/advanced on reading TCAP.	State Expectation: 70.9%  By the end of the 2012-2013 school year, 49% of ELL students will score proficient or advanced overall on the reading TCAP, and 26% of IEP students will score proficient or advanced in reading.	By the end of the 2013-2014 school year, 55% of ELL students will score proficient or advanced overall on the reading TCAP, and 32% of IEP students will score proficient or advanced in reading.	Galileo Assessments administered three times per year in elementary and four times per year in secondary. Scholastic Reading Inventory administered to all 3-5 grade students and Literacy Plan identified 6-12 students three times per year.	Increase reading and writing performance by all students with specific focus on IEP and ELL students through improved Tier 1 instruction and the defining of intentional intervention including English language development.	
(Status)	Lectura, Escritura	М	Persistent achievement gap in math TCAP for ELL students (gap of 23-26 percentage points) and IEP students (gap of 42-43 percentage points). Performance for ELL (15.5% of student population) and IEP (9.3% of student population) students is substantially below the state expectations of proficient/advanced on math TCAP.	State Expectation: 50.0%  By the end of the 2012-2013 school year, 37% of ELL students will score proficient or advanced overall on the math TCAP, and 21% of IEP students will score proficient or advanced in math.	By the end of the 2013- 2014 school year, 40% of ELL students will score proficient or advanced overall on the math TCAP, and 26% of IEP students will score proficient or advanced in math.	Galileo Assessments administered three times per year in elementary and four times per year in secondary.	Increase math performance by all students with specific focus on IEP and ELL students through improved Tier 1 instruction and the defining of intentional math interventions.	



			Elementary math achievement (70.21%) is slightly below state expectations (70.37%) in percent proficient and advanced on TCAP.				
		W	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
		S	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
		R	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
		М	Below state expectation of 55 and lower than adequate math median growth percentile for elementary (46) and high school (45) levels.	State Expectation: 55  By the end of the 2012- 13 school year, the median growth percentile for elementary and high school math will be 55.	By the end of the 2013- 14 school year, the median growth percentile for elementary and high school math will be 55.	Galileo Assessments administered three times per year in elementary and four times per year in secondary.	Increase math performance by all students with specific focus on IEP and ELL students through improved Tier 1 instruction and the defining of intentional math interventions.
	Median Student	W	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Academic Growth	Growth Percentile (TCAP/CSAP & CELApro)	E L P	For the past three years inconsistent performance of ELL's (15.5% of student population) making progress in English. CELApro growth performance below state expectations overall and not making adequate growth at the middle (MGP 51, AGP 55) and high (MGP 48, AGP 76) school levels.	State Expectation: 55  By the end of the 2012- 13 school year, the median growth percentile for middle and high school ELP growth will be 55.	By the end of the 2013- 14 school year, the median growth percentile for middle and high school ELP growth will be 55.	Improved performance on Avenues program unit assessments in elementary following each unit.  Progress on the district adopted language development continuum.  Improved performance on Inside unit assessments in middle schools following each unit.  Improved performance on Edge unit assessments in	Increase reading and writing performance by all students with specific focus on IEP and ELL students through improved Tier 1 instruction and the defining of intentional intervention including English language development.



						high schools following each unit.			
			R	R	Below state expectation of 55 and lower than adequate reading median growth percentile for IEP (9.3% of student population, MGP-45), ELL (15.5% of student population, MGP-53), and Non-Proficient (MGP-52, 54, 49) students.	State Expectation: 55  By the end of the 2012- 13 school year, the median growth percentile in reading for IEP, ELL, and Non- Proficient students will be 55.	By the end of the 2013- 14 school year, the median growth percentile in reading for IEP, ELL, and Non- Proficient students will be 55.	Galileo Assessments administered three times per year. Scholastic Reading Inventory administered to all 3-5 grade students and Literacy Plan identified 6-12 students three times per year. PALS assessment for K-2 students in the spring.	Increase reading and writing performance by all students with specific focus on IEP and ELL students through improved Tier 1 instruction and the defining of intentional intervention including English language development.
Academic Growth Gaps	Median Student Growth Percentile	M	Declining but persistent median growth percentile gap in math TCAP for FRL (gap of 9), Minority (gap of 6), IEP (gap of 10), and ELL (gap of 6) students. Performance for FRL (32% of students), Minority (35% of students), ELL (15.5% of student population) and IEP (9.3% of student population) students is considerably below the state expectations of 55 MGP on math TCAP.	State Expectation: 55  By the end of the 2012- 13 school year, the median growth percentile in math for IEP, ELL, FRL, and Minority students will be 55.	By the end of the 2013- 14 school year, the median growth percentile in math for IEP, ELL, FRL, and Minority students will be 55.	Galileo Assessments administered three times per year.	Increase math performance by all students with specific focus on IEP and ELL students through improved Tier 1 instruction and the defining of intentional math interventions.		
		W	Below state expectation of 55 and lower than adequate writing median growth percentile for IEP (9.3% of student	State Expectation: 55  By the end of the 2012- 13 school year, the median growth	By the end of the 2013- 14 school year, the median growth	Galileo Assessments administered three times per year.	Increase reading and writing performance by all students with specific focus on IEP and ELL students through improved		



		population, MGP-47) and FRL (32% of students, MGP-50) students.	percentile in writing for IEP and FRL students will be 55.	percentile in writing for IEP and FRL students will be 55.		Tier 1 instruction and the defining of intentional intervention including English language development.
	Graduation Rate	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Post Secondary & Workforce Readiness	Disaggregated Grad Rate	For the past three years, there is a significant gap in graduation rate for minority (64.9%, gap of 16.8%, 35% of students), FRL (66.2%, gap of 15.8%, 32% of students), IEP (74.5%, gap of 6.8%, 9.3% of students), and ELL (67.5%, gap of 13.8%, 15.5% of students) students compared to the overall graduation rate of 81.3%.	State Expectation: 80%  By the end of the 2012- 13 school year, the best of 4-7 year graduation rates for the following subgroups of students will be:  Minority – 68%  IEP – 77%  ELL – 69%  FRL – 69%	By the end of the 2012-13 school year, the best of 4-7 year graduation rates for the following subgroups of students will be: Minority – 71% IEP – 80% ELL – 72% FRL – 72%	Galileo Assessments (reading, writing, and math) administered three times per year. Scholastic Reading Inventory administered to all 3-5 grade students and Literacy Plan identified 6-12 students three times per year.  Decrease in Fs earned in high school classes (monitored weekly).	Increase reading and writing performance by all students with specific focus on IEP and ELL students through improved Tier 1 instruction and the defining of intentional intervention including English language development.  Increase math performance by all students with specific focus on IEP and ELL students through improved Tier 1 instruction and the defining of intentional math interventions.
	Dropout Rate	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
	Mean ACT	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
English Language Development & Attainment	CELA (AMAO 1)	For the past three years inconsistent performance of ELL's (15.5% of student population) making progress in English. CELApro growth performance below state	State Expectation: 55  By the end of the 2012- 13 school year, the ELA median growth percentile for middle and high school will be	By the end of the 2013- 14 school year, the ELA median growth percentile for middle and high school will be	Improved performance in core classes for ELLs with percent of ELL students who pass core content courses increasing annually with a decrease in Fs.  ACCESS assessment	Increase reading and writing performance by all students with specific focus on IEP and ELL students through improved Tier 1 instruction and the defining of intentional





	expectations overall and not making adequate growth at the middle (MGP 51, AGP 55) and high (MGP 48, AGP 76) school levels.	55.	55.	growth for middle and high school students annually.	intervention including English language development.
CELA (AMAO 2)	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
TCAP (AMAO 3)	Median Growth Percentiles for ELL's (15.5% of student population) are not meeting or exceeding the adequate growth needed for students to become proficient. Math MGPs are the lowest for ELL's with 40 for elementary, 49 for middle, and 45 for high.  Graduation rates for ELL's (67.5%) consistently lag behind all students (81.3%) and are far below the state expectation of 80%.	By the end of the 2012-13 school year, the math median growth percentile for ELL students will be 55.  By the end of the 2012-13 school year, the best of 4-7 year graduation rates for ELL students will be 69%.	By the end of the 2013-14 school year, the math median growth percentile for ELL students will be 55.  By the end of the 2013-14 school year, the best of 4-7 year graduation rates for ELL students will be 72%.	Galileo Assessments (reading, writing, and math) administered three times per year.  Decrease in Fs earned in high school classes (monitored weekly).	Increase reading and writing performance by all students with specific focus on IEP and ELL students through improved Tier 1 instruction and the defining of intentional intervention including English language development.  Increase math performance by all students with specific focus on IEP and ELL students through improved Tier 1 instruction and the defining of intentional math interventions.





### Action Planning Form for 2012-13 and 2013-14

**Directions:** Identify the major improvement strategy(s) for 2012-13 and 2013-14 that will address the root causes determined in Section III. For each major improvement strategy, identify the root cause(s) that the action steps will help to dissolve. Then, indicate which accountability provision or grant opportunity it will address. In the chart below, provide details about key action steps necessary to implement the major improvement strategy. Details should include the action steps that will be taken to implement the major improvement strategy, a general timeline, resources that will be used to implement the actions, and implementation benchmarks. Add rows in the chart, as needed. While space has been provided for three major improvement strategies, the district/consortium may add other major strategies, as needed.

**Major Improvement Strategy #1:** Increase reading and writing performance by all students with specific focus on IEP and ELL students through improved Tier 1 instruction and the defining of intentional intervention including English language development.

Root Cause(s) Addressed: Lack of consistent English Language Development instruction for ELL students, low expectations for English Language Learners, lack of clarity and consistent implementation of transition to English model in bilingual schools, lack of explicit writing instruction and expectations for ELL students, inconsistency in the development of vocabulary for ELL students, inconsistent Tier 1 reading instruction, inconsistent implementation of reading interventions, inconsistent Tier I writing instruction, lack of writing interventions connected to reading interventions and/or core reading instruction

Accountability Provisions or Grant Opportunities Addressed by this Major Improvement Strategy (check all that apply):							
State Accreditatio	n Student Graduation	on and Completion Plan (Designated Graduation District)	☑ Title IA	☑ Title IIA			
☑ Title III	☐ District Partnership Grant	☐ Improvement Support Partnership Grant	Other:				
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Description of Action Steps to Implement the Major Improvement Strategy	Timeline (2012-13 and 2013-2014)	Key Personnel*	Resources (Amount and Source: federal, state, and/or local)	Implementation Benchmarks	Status of Action Step* (e.g., completed, in progress, not begun)
Implementation of Colorado Academic Reading, Writing, Communicating Standards and standards/data-driven instruction with accountability	August 2012- May 2014	Director of Curriculum Ex. Dir. of Assessment/Curriculum Principals Teachers Assistant Superintendents Language Arts Coordinators Professional Development Learning Leader and Coaches	General fund covers all salaries  Title IIA covers PD learning leaders and coaches' salaries	Quarterly review of Galileo data Monthly review of Tier 1 Walk-through data by administrators	In progress





Implement Tier 1 core instruction template to be used as an accountability measure	August 2012- May 2014	Asst. Supts. Principals Rtl Coordinator Executive Directors of Assessment, Curriculum, and Instruction and Priority Programs Professional Development Director, Learning Leader and Coaches	General fund covers salaries Title I covers part of salary for Executive Director of Priority Programs (\$59,130 salary and \$14,782benefits)  Title IIA funds coaches' salaries Title IIA funds Director of Professional Development salary	Use of walk-through template by administrators  Coaching work with novice 1 teachers – Use of pre-mid-post Tier 1 Self-Assessment and planning, observation and reflective coaching conversations	In progress
Professional development plan for teachers in Tier 1 best practice literacy instruction	August 2012- May 2013	Assistant Superintendents Principals Professional Development Learning Leader and Coaches	General fund covers salaries  Title IIA covers PD salaries	PLC and staff development schedules Induction Academy schedules	In progress
Parent Update Meetings at each school site to share current data (SPF) and practices regarding reading and writing (UIP)	September – February 2012-14	Assistant Superintendents and Principals	General fund	Meeting schedule and agendas, web site and local newspaper notification	In progress
Implementation of Colorado English Language Proficiency (CELP) standards	August 2012- May 2014	Executive Director of Priority Schools Executive Director of Assessment, Curriculum, and Instruction, Director of Curriculum Area Assistant Superintendents Principals	Title III funds for SIOP training and ESL meetings (15% of allocation \$42,000 and benefits for extra duty = \$7980 (12% of allocation \$35,000 and 15% benefits for substitutes total =\$6650)  General fund	SIOP training agendas ESL teacher meeting agendas Curriculum leadership team meeting agendas Principal meeting agendas PLC meeting agendas Walk-through data using Tier 1 Best Practices with	In progress





		Teachers		SIOP Identification Document	
English language development through improved bilingual transition model	August 2012 – May 2014	Executive Director of Priority Programs	General fund (monitoring)  Title III (12% of allocation \$35,000 and 15% benefits for substitutes total =\$6650)	Principal and ELA office monitor bilingual class scheduling Quarterly meetings between ELA office and bilingual teachers to review daily schedules	In progress
District-wide Annual ELL Parent Meeting	October 2012 - May 2014	Executive Director of Priority Programs	General funds	Meeting agenda posting in ELA parent newsletter, invitations to each parent	In progress
Sheltered Instruction (SIOP) professional development and implementation (5 hours for every staff member/year)	August 2012 – May 2014	Executive Director of Priority Programs  Professional Development Learning Leader and Coaches	General fund (salaries)  Title IIA funds coaches' salaries	Walk-through data using Tier 1 Best Practices with SIOP Identification Document Attendance data Survey data PD make-up sessions for novice 1 teachers & ongoing staff training support for identified schools	In progress
Implementation of ELD curriculum and programming with an emphasis on vocabulary development – Avenues, Edge, Inside	August 2012 – May 2014	Executive Director of Priority Programs	Salary covered from Title I Executive Director (\$59,130 salary and \$14,782benefits) General fund	Review of AMAO targets met annually Review of principal walk through data using the Tier 1 Best Practices with SIOP Identification walk through template	In progress
Formative assessment program – Galileo	August 2012-	Ex. Dir. of Assessment,	General fund covers salaries	Quarterly review of Galileo	In progress





implementation District-wide	May 2014	Curriculum and Instruction; Assessment Coord.	and training	data Data driven dialogue using Galileo assessment data to include root cause analysis	
Provide professional development to improve RtI process by matching students to interventions for teachers and administrators	August 2012 – May 2014	Rtl Coordinator	General fund covers salaries	Building Rtl meeting agendas	In progress
Provide professional development and support for full implementation of literacy interventions to include Linda Mood Bell Strategies, Scholastic Read 180 and System 44	August 2012	Scholastic and Department Interventionist	Stipend/substitute costs included in reading training.  General Fund: Purchase written language intervention curriculums for Linda Mood Bell schools (5) \$600 x 5 schools = \$3,000	Quarterly Student Services meetings Quarterly ELA office meetings Quarterly Curriculum meetings with language arts coordinator leading discussions and data review	Completed
Provide professional development to support the inclusion of written language component to both the Scholastic Interventions and Linda Mood Bell interventions	August 2011 – October 2011	Scholastic and Department Interventionist	Stipend/substitute costs included in reading training.  General Fund: Purchase written language intervention curriculums for Linda Mood Bell schools (5) \$600 x 5 schools = \$3,000	Students will have designated time for written language intervention documented on their IEPs	Completed
Provide professional development on data collection, progress monitoring, and gap analysis in the areas of reading and written language for Building Team Leaders and Rtl Liaisons	August 2012 – May 2014	Administrative Coordinators Rtl Coordinator Professional Development Coaches CLD Coordinator	Stipend/substitute costs included with reading training	Individual student data will be analyzed at quarterly team meetings	In progress
Provide professional development for staff/administrators on how to develop a flexible schedule to support varying needs of students and	January 2011- May 2014	Administrative Coordinators	Substitutes to provide release time for special education staff to meet as a	Schedules submitted to Student Services	Training–Complete Support Meetings –





support intervention design			team. \$100 X approximately 150 staff = \$15,000 IDEA funds		Ongoing Implementation - Ongoing
Provide more time for at-risk students in literacy - augmented 7 week program, summer school	May 2012 – June 2014	Executive Director of Priority Programs	Salary for Executive Director of Priority Programs (\$59,130 salary and \$14,782 benefits) covered from Title I General fund	Review of individual DRA student pre and post-performance data collected by the Literacy Dept.	In progress
Identify and provide literacy exemplars to ensure high expectations for all students including ELL and IEP students	August 2012- August 2014	Language Arts Coordinator Language Arts Leadership Team	General funds cover salaries	Curriculum and Instruction Department review of submitted exemplars	In progress
Continue training for counselors and ESL teachers in the use of Infinite Campus to track grades and monitor individual student progress supporting improved graduation rate.	August 2012- August 2014	Principals and Assistant Superintendents Executive Director of Priority Programs	General funds  Title III funds subs for ESL meetings (12% of allocation \$35,000 and 15% benefits for substitutes total =\$6650)	Regular administrative and counselor meetings to review student grades and individual progress ESL meeting agendas to review of data	In progress
Professional development that will support improved data analysis and small group reading instruction for Title I Literacy teachers at Title I schools. Consultants will be hired to support phonics and comprehension growth as well as fluency interventions with specific support for the phonics intervention by Lynn Kuhn using the LETRS program, Lexia and a comprehension focus with training by Ellin Keene and Stephanie Harvey for fluency.	August 2012 – August 2014	Literacy Coaches Literacy Teachers Executive Director of Priority Programs	Salaries for literacy coaches \$205,661 Benefits for literacy coaches \$45,300 Consultant costs for seminars \$16,500	Notes from regular literacy coach visits to Title I schools. Notes and agendas from 8 scheduled Title I literacy seminars	In progress

<sup>\*</sup> Note: These two columns are not required to meet state or federal accountability requirements, although completion is recommended. "Status of Action Step" may be required for certain grants (e.g., Tiered Intervention Grant).





Major Improvement Strategy #2: Increase math performance by all students with specific focus on IEP and ELL students through improved Tier 1 instruction and the defining of intentional math interventions.

Root Cause(s) Addressed: Lack of consistent English Language Development instruction for ELL students, low expectations for English Language Learners, lack of clarity and consistent implementation of transition to English model in bilingual schools, inconsistent Tier 1 math instruction, lack of diagnostic math assessments, lack of math interventions aligned with student needs

Accountability Provisions or	r Grant Opportunities Addressed by th	is Major Improvement Strategy (check all that apply):		
✓ State Accreditation	on Student Graduation and	d Completion Plan (Designated Graduation District)	☑ Title IA	✓ Title IIA
✓ Title III	☐ District Partnership Grant	☐ Improvement Support Partnership Grant	Other:	

Description of Action Steps to Implement the Major Improvement Strategy	<b>Timeline</b> (2012-13 and 2013-2014)	Key Personnel*	Resources (Amount and Source: federal, state, and/or local)	Implementation Benchmarks	Status of Action Step* (e.g., completed, in progress, not begun)
Implementation of Colorado Academic Math Standards and standards/data-driven instruction with accountability	August 2012- May 2014	Director of Curriculum Ex. Dir. of Assessment/Curriculum Principals Teachers Assistant Superintendents Math Coordinator PD Coaches	General fund covers all salaries  Title IIA covers coaches' salaries	Quarterly review of Galileo data  Monthly review of Tier 1 Walk-through data by administrators	In progress
Continue implementation of new, more rigorous math program (Math Expressions) and curriculum at the elementary level to improve core instruction	August 2012 – May 2014	Director of Curriculum Principals Teachers Assistant Superintendents Math Coordinator Professional Development Coaches	General fund covers all salaries and materials  Title IIA covers coaches' salaries	Quarterly review of Galileo data  Monthly review of Tier 1 Walk-through data by administrators  Monthly review of unit assessments	In progress





Provide ongoing professional development to support the fidelity of implementation of the elementary math curriculum	August 2012 – May 2014	Director of Curriculum Principals Teachers Assistant Superintendents Math Coordinator Professional Development Coaches	General fund covers all salaries and materials  Title IIA covers coaches' salaries	Training agendas and attendance sign in sheets for all teachers PLC agendas Review of Tier 1 math walk-through data	In progress
Implement Tier 1 core instruction template as an accountability measure	August 2012- May 2014	Asst. Supts. Principals Rtl Coordinator Executive Directors of Assessment, Curriculum, and Instruction and Priority Programs	General fund covers salaries  Title I covers part of salary of Executive Director of Priority Programs (\$59,130 salary and \$14,782 benefits)	Use of walk-through template by administrators	In progress
Professional development plan for teachers in Tier 1 best practice math instruction	August 2012- May 2014	Asst. Supts. Principals Math Coordinator	General fund covers salaries Title IIA	PLC and staff development schedules	In progress
Parent Update Meetings at each school site to share current data (SPF) and practices (UIP) regarding math	November – February 2012-14	Assistant Superintendents and Principals	General fund	Meeting schedule and agendas, website and local newspaper notification	In progress
Implementation of Colorado English Language Proficiency (CELP) standards	August 2012- May 2014	Executive Director of Priority Schools Executive Director of Assessment, Curriculum, and Instruction, Director of Curriculum Area Assistant	Title III (subs and extra duty for SIOP training and ESL meetings (15% of allocation \$42,000 and benefits for extra duty = \$7980 (12% of allocation \$35,000 and 15% benefits for	BOE agenda item for adoption of CELP SIOP training agendas ESL teacher meeting agendas Curriculum leadership team meeting agendas Principal meeting	In progress



		Superintendents Principals Teachers	substitutes total =\$6650)	agendas PLC meeting agendas Walk-through data using Tier 1 Best Practices with SIOP Identification Document	
English language development through improved bilingual transition model	August 2012 – May 2014	Executive Director of Priority Programs	General fund Salary covered from Title I (\$59,130 salary and \$14,782 benefits) Title III subs for ESL meetings (12% of allocation \$35,000 and 15% benefits for substitutes total =\$6650)	Principal and ELA office monitor bilingual class scheduling Quarterly meetings between ELA office and bilingual teachers to review daily schedules	In progress
Sheltered Instruction (SIOP) professional development and implementation (5 hours for every staff member/year)	August 2012 – May 2014	Executive Director of Priority Programs	General fund Salary covered from Title I (\$59,130 salary and \$14,782 benefits)	Walk-through data using Tier 1 Best Practices with SIOP Identification Document Attendance data Survey data	In progress
Implementation of ELD curriculum and programming with an emphasis on vocabulary development – Avenues, Edge, Inside	August 2012 – May 2014	Executive Director of Priority Programs	General fund Salary covered from Title I (\$59,130 salary and \$14,782 benefits)	Review of AMAO targets met annually; review of principal walk through data using the Tier 1 Best Practices with SIOP Identification walk through template	In progress





Formative assessment program – Galileo implementation District-wide	August 2012- May 20124	Executive Director of Assessment, Curriculum and Instruction Coordinator of Assessment	General fund covers salaries and training	Quarterly review of Galileo data Data driven dialogue using Galileo assessment data to include root cause analysis	In progress
Provide professional development to improve RtI process by matching students to interventions for teachers and administrators	August 2012 – May 2014	Rtl Coordinator	General fund covers salaries	Building Rtl meeting agendas	In progress
Math Interventionist added to support students with disabilities and at risk students in the area of math	August 2012	Executive Director of Special Education	IDEA Funds	Monthly meetings with Math Interventionist and Executive Director of Special Education	Complete
Provide training and coaching to Special Ed teachers to include classroom strategies, consultation for individual students, and co-teaching strategies in the area of math	August 2012- May 2014	Math Interventionist Math Coordinator Director of Professional Development	IDEA Funds	Quarterly Student Services meetings Training agendas Coaching Schedule Meeting agendas between Math Interventionist and Math Coordinator	In progress
Provide professional development and support for full implementation of Math interventions to include Scholastic math interventions.	August 2012 – May 2014	Scholastic and Department Interventionist	Stipend/substitute costs included in reading training.	Quarterly Student Services meetings Quarterly ELA office meetings Quarterly Curriculum meetings with math coordinator leading discussions and data review	In progress
Provide professional development on data	August 2012 – May 2014	Scholastic and Department	Stipend/substitute costs included in reading training.	Quarterly Student	In progress





collection, progress monitoring, gap and error analysis, and diagnostic assessments in the area of mathematics to include the use of the Scholastic Math Inventory.		Interventionist		Services meetings Quarterly ELA office meetings Quarterly building Special Ed meetings Quarterly Curriculum meetings with math coordinator leading discussions and data review	
Provide professional development for staff/administrators on how to develop a flexible schedule to support varying needs of students and support intervention design.	August 2012 – May 2014	Administrative Coordinators and Department Interventionist.	Stipend/substitute costs included with reading training.	Schedules submitted to Student Services	Training— Completed Support Meetings — In progress Implementation — Ongoing
Provide exemplars to ensure high expectations for all students including ELL and IEP students	August 2012- August 2014	Math Coordinator Math Leadership Teams	General funds cover salaries and substitutes	Curriculum and Instruction Department review of submitted exemplars	In progress
Continue training for counselors in the use of Infinite Campus to track grades and monitor individual student progress supporting improved graduation rate.	August 2012- August 2014	Principals and Assistant Superintendents	General funds	Regular administrative and counselor meetings to review student grades and individual progress	In progress

### **Section V: Appendices**

Some districts/consortia will need to provide additional forms to document accountability or grant requirements:

- Additional Requirements for Turnaround Status Under State Accountability (Required for identified districts)
- Districts designated as a Graduation District (Required for identified districts)
- Title IA (Required for Title I funded Districts with a Turnaround or Priority Improvement plan type)
- Title IIA (Required for Title IIA funded Districts with a Turnaround or Priority Improvement plan type)
- Title III (Optional for Grantees identified under Title III)



### Section V: Supportive Addenda Forms

#### Optional Form for Grantees Identified for Improvement under Title III (AMAOs)

Grantees identified for improvement under Title III may use this format to ensure that all improvement planning requirements are met. As a part of this process, some grantees may meet some of the requirements in earlier sections of the UIP. This form provides a way to make sure all components of the program are met through descriptions of the requirements OR a cross-walk of the Title III improvement requirements in the UIP.

Description of Title III Improvement Plan Requirements	Recommended Location in UIP	Description of Requirement or Crosswalk of Description in UIP Data Narrative or Action Plan (include page numbers)
Analysis of data. Identify and describe the factors that prevented the LEA from achieving the AMAOs. This includes an analysis or data using a variety of recent data sources, identification of factors that prevented the LEA from achieving AMAOs, and identification of strengths and weaknesses of the current plan.	Section III: Narrative on Data Analysis and Root Cause Identification	Data analysis of ELL data with a focus on AMAO targets and gaps in reaching all three target goals. p. 3, 6,8, 21, 23, 24, 25, and 40  Root cause analysis of causes that impede ELL student growth. P. 23, 25, 26, 27
Scientifically Based Research Strategies. Describe scientifically based research strategies to improve English Language Development (ELD), Reading/Language Arts and Mathematics. The plan includes  Specific scientifically based research strategies that will be used to improve student skills.  Timeline with annual targets, interim measures and personnel responsible.	Section IV: Action Plan Form	SIOP training for all district staff to develop strategies for ELL access to core curriculum and content reading, writing, and math p. 38, 43  Identification of Executive Director of Priority Programs as lead administrator in supporting action plan to implement SIOP and Avenues, Inside and Edge level respective programming. P. 43  Tier I instruction Best Practice document use to include regular principal walk- through in support of SIOP implementation. P. 32, 33, 36, 38, 42, 43  Defining and reviewing exemplars in reading, writing and math for ESL students as a means of improving ELD and identifying rigorous standards for ELLs p. 40
Professional Development Strategies. Describe high quality professional development strategies and activities including coordination efforts with other NCLB programs. Strategies should have a positive and long-term impact on teachers and administrators in acquiring the knowledge and skills necessary to improve the educational program provided to ELLs.	Section IV: Action Plan Form	PD plan with training for ESL teachers in collaboration, monitoring, progress monitoring, and access to core content. P. 37, Implementation of plan for bilingual students transitioning from Spanish instruction to English instruction p. 15, 17,19, 21, 38 Implementation of CELP standards p. 37, 42
Parent Involvement and Outreach Strategies. Describe the parent involvement and outreach strategies to assist parents in becoming active participants in the education of their children, including coordination efforts with other NCLB programs.	Section IV: Action Plan Form	Communication with parents regarding district and student performance through parent survey, parent update meetings, ESL annual meeting for parents to describe program components, accomplishments, and challenges. p 37, 38, 42, District Parent Involvement plan



#### Colorado's Unified Improvement Plan for Alternative Education Campuses for 2012-13

Organization Code: 0470 District Name: St. Vrain Valley RE 1J School Code: 6499 School Name: Adult Education SPF Year: 2012

#### Section I: Summary Information about the School

**Directions:** This section summarizes your school's performance on the federal and state accountability measures in 2011-12. For federal accountability, Alternative Education Campuses (AECs) may be accountable to certain requirements for programs (e.g., Title I, TIG grant). For state accountability, AECs have a modified state AEC SPF report that uses AEC norms to focus on the key performance indicators of Achievement, Growth, Student Engagement and Postsecondary and Workforce Readiness. Where there are required state measures, these are noted below, but AECs may also have optional supplemental measures. AECs will need to complete the table to reflect their results on both required federal and state measures and any optional supplemental measures. This summary should accompany your improvement plan.

#### Student Performance Measures for State and Federal Accountability

Performance Indicators	Measures/ Metrics		2011-12 Fe Ехре	deral and S ectations	State	2011-	-12 School	Results	Meets Expectations?
				nt/Advanced centile for Al		School's	% Proficient	/Advanced	
	State Required Measure: TCAP/CSAP, CoAlt,		Elem	MS	HS	Elem	MS	HS	
	CSAPA, Lectura, Escritura  Description: % P+A in reading, writing, math and science.  Expectation: %P+A is at/above the 60th percentile for AECs.	R	[%]	[%]	[%]	[%]	[%]	N/A	
		М	[%]	[%]	[%]	[%]	[%]	N/A	Overall AEC Rating for
Academic		W	[%]	[%]	[%]	[%]	[%]	N/A	Academic Achievement:
Achievement (Status)		S	[%]	[%]	[%]	[%]	[%]	N/A	Insufficient Data
(Status)	Other measures selected by AEC CASAS LIfeskills Math, Life & Work Reading –		S Reading	N/A			4%		* Consult your AEC School Performance Framework for the ratings for each content area at each level.
	percent scoring at or above 'norm' for grade and AEC status (for students enrolled for at least 120 hrs)	CASAS Math		N/A		3%			
	CELA –% of students scoring at the FEP level		CELA				0		





Performance Indicators	Measures/ Metrics	2011-12 Federal and State Expectations			State	2011-12 School Results			Meets Expectations?
	State Required Measure: Median Student	-	MGP at the	60th percen	tile for AECs	9	School's MC	GP .	
	Growth Percentile (MGP)  Description: Growth in TCAP/TCAP for		Elem		Elem	Elem	MS	HS	
	reading, writing and math.	R	[#]		[#]	[#]	[#]	N/A	Overall AEC Rating for
	Expectation: Median Student Growth Percentile (MGP) at/above the 60th	М	[#]	M	[#]	[#]	[#]	N/A	Academic Growth:
Academic	percentile for AECs.	W	[#]	W	[#]	[#]	[#]	N/A	Insufficient Data
Growth	CASAS Lifeskills Math, Life & Work Reading – % of students continuously	CASAS Re	eading N/A		4%			* Consult your AEC School Performance Framework for the	
	enrolled 60+ hours of instruction to achieve their target growth (≥ 4 points).	CASAS Ma	ath	N/A		4%			ratings for each content area at each level.
	CELA – % of students increased one level from previous year's testing	CELA		1	N/A		0		
	State Required Measure: Average Daily Attendance  Description: Total days attended out of total days possible to attend.  Expectation: At/above the 60th percentile of all AECs.		[%	]			N/A		Overall AEC Rating for Growth Gaps:
Student Engagement	State Required Measure: Truancy Rate  Description: Total days unexcused absent out of total days possible to attend.  Expectation: At/above the 60th percentile of all AECs.	[%]				N/A			Insufficient Data  * Consult your AEC School Performance Framework for the ratings for each measure.
	Optional Supplemental Measures % of current year's students enrolled the prior year		N/A			70%			





	State Required Measure: Completion Rate Description: % of students completing.	Completion Rate at/above 60th percentile for AECs	School's Completion Rate		Overall AEC
	Expectation: At/above the 60th percentile of all AECs using 4-year, 5-year, 6-year or 7-year completion rate.	[%]	8%	No Data	Rating for Post Secondary
Post	State Required Measure: Dropout Rate  Description: % of students dropping out.	Dropout Rate at/above 60 <sup>th</sup> percentile for AECs	School's Dropout Rate	No	Readiness: Insufficient
Secondary/ Workforce Readiness	Expectation: % of students dropping out.  Expectation: At/below the 60 <sup>th</sup> percentile of all AECs.	tation: At/below the 60 <sup>th</sup> percentile of all		Data	Data * Consult your AEC School
	State Required Measure: ACT Composite Score	Mean ACT Comp. Score at/above 60 <sup>th</sup> percentile for AECs	Mean ACT Comp. Score	No	Performance Framework for the ratings for each
	Description: Mean ACT composite score.  Expectation: At/above the 60 <sup>th</sup> percentile of all AECs.	scription: Mean ACT composite score.  pectation: At/above the 60 <sup>th</sup> percentile of all [%]		Data	measure.





### Accountability Status and Requirements for Improvement Plan

Program	Identification Process	Identification for Scho	Directions for Completing Improvement Plan	
State Accountability				
Preliminary Recommended Plan Type	Plan assigned based on school's overall school performance framework score (achievement, growth, growth gaps, postsecondary and workforce readiness)	Priority Improvement	The school has not met state expectations for attainment on the performance indicators and is required to adopt and implement a Priority Improvement Plan. The plan must be submitted to CDE by January 15, 2013 to be reviewed by CDE. Refer to the UIP website for more detailed instruction on plan submission, as well as the UIP Handbook to ensure that required elements are captured in the school's plan at: http://www.cde.state.co.us/uip/UIP_TrainingAndSupport_Resources.asp	
ESEA and Grant Accountab	ility			
Title I Formula Grant	Program's resources are allocated based upon the poverty rates of students enrolled in schools and districts and are designed to help ensure that all children meet challenging state academic standards.	Program does not receive Title I funds	In addition to the general requirements, all schools operating a Title I [Schoolwide/Targeted Assistance] program must complete the [Schoolwide/Targeted Assistance] addendum. Schools identified under another program (e.g., state accountability, Title I Focus School) will need to submit a plan for review by CDE by January 15, 2013. All other Title I schools will submit their plan to CDE for posting on SchoolView.org by April 15, 2013. CDE may require a review of the school's UIP during a monitoring site visit or during a desk review.	
Title I Focus School	Title I school with a (1) low graduation rate (regardless of plan type), and/or (2) Turnaround or Priority Improvement plan type with either (or both) a) low-achieving disaggregated student groups (i.e., minority, ELL, IEP and FRL) or b) low disaggregated graduation rate. This is a three-year designation.	Program not identified as Title I Focus School	In addition to the general requirements, Focus Schools must identify the performance challenges for the lowest achieving disaggregated student group(s). The plan must include a root cause(s) and associated action steps that address the performance challenge(s) for the disaggregated student group(s). The UIP must be approved before CDE will release 2013-14 Title IA funds to the LEA. For required elements in the improvement plans, go to the Quality Criteria at: http://www.cde.state.co.us/uip/UIP_TrainingAndSupport_Resources.asp	
Tiered Intervention Grant (TIG)	Competitive grant (1003g) for schools identified as 5% of lowest performing Title I or Title I eligible schools, eligible to implement one of four reform models as defined by the USDE.	Program not a TIG Awardee	In addition to the general requirements, TIG schools are expected to align activities funded through the grant with overall school improvement efforts in the UIP. All TIG activities must be included in the action steps of the action plan (e.g., activity, resources). All grantees will be expected to submit the school plan for CDE review by January 15, 2013. For required elements in the improvement plans, go to the Quality Criteria: <a href="http://www.cde.state.co.us/uip/UIP_TrainingAndSupport_Resources.asp">http://www.cde.state.co.us/uip/UIP_TrainingAndSupport_Resources.asp</a>	
Improvement Support Partnership (ISP) or TDIP	Competitive Title I grant to support district improvement through a diagnostic review (i.e., facilitated data analysis, SST) or an implementation focus (i.e., Best First Instruction, Leadership, Climate and Culture).	Program not a Title I School Improvement Grant Awardee	[If NOT a grantee] n/a  [If a grantee] In addition to the general requirements, the school is expected to align activities funded through the grant with overall school improvement efforts in the UIP. All grant activities must be included in the action steps of the action plan (e.g., activity, resources). All grantees will be expected to submit the school plan for CDE review by January 15, 2013. For required elements in the improvement plans, go to the Quality Criteria: <a href="http://www.cde.state.co.us/uip/UIP_TrainingAndSupport_Resources.asp">http://www.cde.state.co.us/uip/UIP_TrainingAndSupport_Resources.asp</a>	





### Section II: Improvement Plan Information

**Directions:** This section should be completed by the school or district.

Comprehensive Review and Selected Grant History									
Related Grant Awards	Has the school received a grant that supports the school's improvement efforts? When was the grant awarded?	No							
School Support Team or Expedited Review	Has (or will) the school participated in an SST review or Expedited Review? When?	No							
External Evaluator	Has the school partnered with an external evaluator to provide comprehensive evaluation? Indicate the year and the name of the provider/tool used.	No							

Additio	nal Information about the S	chool								
•	ement Plan Information school is submitting this impro  State Accountability	ovement plan to satisfy requirements for (check all that apply):  Title IA (Targeted Assistance or Schoolwide)  Title I Focus School	☐ Tiered Intervention Grant (TIG)							
	School Contact Informatio	n (Additional contacts may be added, if needed)								
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	Phone	303-678-5662								
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Other:

☐ Implementation Support Partnership Grant (ISP) or Title I School Improvement Grant



#### Section III: Narrative on Data Analysis and Root Cause Identification

This section corresponds with the "evaluate" portion of the continuous improvement cycle. The main outcome is to construct a narrative that describes the process and results of the analysis of the data for your school. The analysis should justify the performance targets and actions proposed in section IV. Two worksheets have been provided to help organize your data analysis for your narrative. This analysis section includes: identifying where the school did not at least meet minimum state and federal accountability expectations, describing progress toward targets for the prior school year, describing what performance data were used in the analysis of trends, identifying trends and priority performance challenges (negative trends), describing how performance challenges were prioritized, identifying the root causes of performance challenges, describing how the root causes were identified and verified and what data were used, and describing stakeholder involvement in the analysis. Additional guidance on how to engage in the data analysis process is provided in Unified Improvement Planning Handbook.

#### Worksheet #1: Progress Monitoring of Prior Year's Performance Targets

**Directions:** This chart supports analysis of progress made towards performance targets set for the 2011-12 school year (last year's plan). While this worksheet should be included in your UIP, **the main intent is to record your school's reflections to help build your data narrative.** 

Performance Indicators	Targets for 2011-12 school year (Targets set in last year's plan)			Performance in 2011-12? Was the target met? How close was school in meeting the target?	Brief reflection on why previous targets were met or not met.
	CASAS Life &	R	75% of students enrolled a min. of 120 hrs of instruction will score ≥ the norm for their grade and AEC status.	4% Does not meet Only 5 of the students reached 120 hours of attendance.	Poor engagement and poor implementation of Sheltered English instruction are issues.
Academic Achievement (Status)	Work Reading & - Lifeskills Math		50% of students enrolled a min. of 120 hrs of instruction will score ≥ the norm for their grade and AEC status.	3% Does not meet As above, only three of the five students who reached 120 hours of attendance scored at or above the norm in math.	Poor engagement and poor implementation of Sheltered English instruction are issues.
	CELA	R	30% of students enrolled a min. of	0 – Does not meet None of the students who reached 120 hours scored at the FEP level. Only one	Poor engagement and poor implementation of Sheltered English instruction are issues.



Performance Indicators		2011-12 school year et in last year's plan)	Performance in 2011-12? Was the target met? How close was school in meeting the target?	Brief reflection on why previous targets were met or not met.	
			ELL student reached 120 hours of attendance. She scored at the LEP level.		
	CASAS Math and Reading	%75 of students that have been enrolled for 60+ hours of instruction will score 4+ points higher on posttest.	4% Does not meet.	Methods for assessment of students were insufficient to gather the needed data to demonstrate growth. Poor engagement and poor implementation of Tier 1 Instruction are issues.	
Academic Growth	%75 of students that have been enrolled for 60+ hours of instruction will score one level higher on posttest.		0 – Does not meet.	Poor engagement and poor implementation of Sheltered English instruction are issues.	
Student Engagement	Continuous Enrollment	45% of current year's students will enroll for the following school year	70% Meets and exceeds established target.	Continuous enrollment may be deceptively high as an indicator of student engagement. Many of these students dropped out after continuing to the new school year.	
	Completion Rate	Meets norms = 49.5%	8% Does not meet.	A large number of students lack too many credits to overcome deficits in one school year.	
Post Secondary	Dropout Rate	Meets norms = 12.8%	34% Does not meet. The school's lack of retention is less than one-half the norm.	A lack of student engagement strategies exacerbates poor attendance.	
Readiness	ACT Composite Avg.	Meets norms = 15.7%	14.6 – Does not meet. The average score is not far below the norm (only one point lower).	Those students who do attend and study are able to see some measure of success.	
	Graduation Rate	Meets norms = 33.3%	8% Does not meet.	A large number of students lack too many credits to overcome deficits in one school year.	



#### Worksheet #2: Data Analysis

Directions: This chart supports planning teams in recording and organizing observations about school-level data in preparation for writing the required data narrative. Planning teams should describe positive and negative trends for all of the four performance indicators using at least three years of data and then prioritize the performance challenges (based on notable trends) that the school will focus its efforts on improving. The root cause analysis and improvement planning efforts in the remainder of the plan should be aimed at addressing the identified priority performance challenges is recommended (no more than 3-5); a performance challenge may apply to multiple performance indicators. At a minimum, priority performance challenges must be identified in any of the four performance indicator areas where minimum state and federal expectations were not met for accountability purposes. Furthermore, schools are encouraged to consider observations recorded in the "last year's targets" worksheet. Finally, provide a brief description of the root cause analysis for any priority performance challenges. Root causes may apply to multiple priority performance challenges. You may add rows, as needed.

Performance Indicators	Description of Notable Trends (3 years of past state and local data)						Priority Performance Challenges	Root Causes
	2009-10	) CASAS	2010-11 CASAS		2011-12 CASAS		Over the last 3 years, the percentage of	Lack of consistent Tier 1 instruction
Academic Achievement	Rdg	90	Rdg	73	Rdg	4	students reaching the 'norm' went from 90 to 3 70 then down to 4 percent. This is a large	>
(Status) Lifeskills Math, Life & Work Reading percent scoring at or	Mth	64	Mth	49	Mth	3	decrease. (SY09-10 and 10-11 reflect the full population of students served. SY11-12 scores reflect only students in attendance at	Inconsistent application of sheltered English instructional methods
above 'norm' for grade and enrolled for at least							October Count.)	Underutilization of data to drive
120 hrs.	CELA	FEP CELA FEP		CELA FEP 0		Over the last 3 years, ELL students have	instruction	
	0		0			consistently failed to increase in English language skills enough to move to the FEP level.	Instruction not aligned with K-12 state standards	
	2009-10	) CASAS	2010-11	2010-11 CASAS 2011-12 C		011-12 CASAS		Lack of consistent Tier 1 instruction
Academic Growth CASAS Math, Reading - % continuously enrolled 60+ hours to achieve	71%	71% 51%			4%		The percentage of students attending a minimum of 60 hours who showed an increase of 4 or more points in reading and/or math has decreased from 71 to 51 and then 4 percent (different data set for the	Inconsistent application of sheltered English instructional methods
target growth (≥ 4							and then 4 percent (dinerent data set for the	Underutilization of data to drive





Performance Indicators	Description of Notable Trends (3 years of past state and local data)			Priority Performance Challenges	Root Causes	
points)				last percentage, as noted above.)	instruction	
					Instruction not aligned with K-12 state standards	
CELA Percent of students that	CELA	CELA	CELA	There is no data on the CELA tests for SY9- 10. In 10-11 it was only 27% increasing one	Inconsistent application of sheltered	
increased one level from previous year's testing.	No data	27%	0	level. In 11-12 there weren't any students who increased. There is a significant downward trend in growth.	English instructional methods	
	2009-10	2010-11	2011-12	Each year about 70% of the students	Lack of consistent Tier 1 instruction	
Student Engagement Continuous enrollment - % of current year's students enrolled the previous year	68%	72%	70%	previously enrolled at the school return for the fall semester.	Inconsistent application of sheltered English instructional methods  Underutilization of data to drive instruction  Instruction not aligned with K-12 state standards	
Post-Secondary & Workforce Readiness	2009-10	2010-11	2011-12			
Completion Rate	N/A	4.4%	8%	The percentage of students completing their studies is unavailable for 09 – 10. The next two years the rate climbed from 4.4% to 8%, but is still well below the 49.5% required for AECs.	Inconsistent application of sheltered English instructional methods  Underutilization of data to drive instruction	
Dropout Rate	N/A	29%	34%	The percentage of students dropping out is		





Performance Indicators	Description of Notable Trends (3 years of past state and local data)		Priority Performance Challenges	Root Causes	
				unavailable for 09 – 10. The next two years, the rate climbed from 29% to 34%, and is still well above the 12.8% required for AECs.	Lack of structured scheduling practices
ACT Composite Avg.	15.5	The average ACT Composite score dropped from 15.5 in 09-10 to 12.4 in 10-11 and then came up a bit more during 11-12. However, it is still below the 15.7% required for AECs.		Instruction not aligned with K-12 state standards	
Graduation Rate	N/A	4%	8%	The percentage of students completing their studies is unavailable for 09 – 10. The next two years the rate climbed from 4.4% to 8%, but is still well below the 33.3% required for AECs.	
Students earning credit of all students enrolled	N/A	29%	31.2%	The percentage of students earning credit — of all students enrolled — increased from 29% the 10-11 SY, the first year measured, to 31.2% the 11-12 SY.	



#### **Data Narrative for School**

**Directions:** Building on the data organized in Worksheet #1 and Worksheet #2, describe the process and results of the data analysis for the school, including review of prior years' targets, trends, priority performance challenges and root cause analysis. The narrative should address each aspect of the descriptions below. The narrative should not take more than five pages.

#### **Data Narrative for School**

Description of School Setting and Process for Data Analysis: Provide a very brief description of the school to set the context for readers (e.g., demographics). Include the general process for developing the UIP and participants (e.g., SAC).  Review Current Performance: Review the SPF and document any areas where the school did not meet state/ federal expectations. Consider the previous year's progress toward the school's targets. Identify the overall magnitude of the school's performance challenges.		Trend Analysis: Provide a description of the trend analysis that includes at least three years of data (state and local data). Trend statements should be provided in the four indicator areas and by disaggregated groups. Trend statements should include the direction of the trend and a comparison (e.g., state expectations, district average) to indicate why the trend is notable.	$\Longrightarrow \rangle$	Priority Performance Challenges: Identify notable trends (or a combination of trends) that are the highest priority to address (priority performance challenges). No more than 3-4 are recommended. Provide a rationale for why these challenges have been selected and takes into consideration the magnitude of the school's over-all performance challenges.	$\Rightarrow$	Root Cause Analysis Identify at least one root cause for every priority performance challenge. Root causes should address adult actions, be under the control of the school, and address the priority performance challenge(s). Provide evidence that the root cause was verified through the use of additional data.
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St. Vrain Valley Adult Education provides services through three different components. The first provides English as a Second Language instruction. The second provides math and literacy instruction for students working at the zero through 6th grade levels. The third component is the high school diploma program for those students working at a 7th grade level or higher. We enroll new students once per month. These students represent a higher percentage of Hispanic students than that of the school district. The district is 25% Hispanic students and Adult Ed is 52% Hispanic.

Over the past three years, the St. Vrain Valley School District has been working closely with the staff and administration of the Adult Education program to determine how to improve the school's performance. Over these years, the performance indicators have remained low. The Adult Ed program also duplicates services provided by the district's long-standing alternative high school program, Olde Columbine High School. After staff meetings, community meetings and discussions with the Board of Education, it was decided that, although the program is an important contribution to the community, its mission can be better served by absorbing the Adult Ed students into other alternative settings within the community and closing the school.

As the staff and students of Adult Education complete their final year, the teachers, staff and administration strive to improve the quality of education provided. The UIP process provides the framework for this improvement. The first step in the process for the leadership team was to review our core indicators. These showed the achievement levels are low, especially in math. In the area of student engagement, the data shows that many students drop out, but many re-enroll the following year. Finally, the graduation rate is extremely low and the dropout rate high. Altogether, the data indicate a school that is only minimally meeting the needs of the students and community.

Upon analysis of this data, we found many probable causes for the problems in the school. Through a group ranking strategy at one of our staff meetings, we almost unanimously agreed that the most urgent need is student persistence. Students must attend school to receive the instruction they need to be successful. Along with this, we need the ability to track student attendance and truancy better. We need instruction for the students that covers the academic standards. In addition, the students need teachers who are knowledgeable in quality Tier 1 instructional strategies and the teaching-learning cycle. We decided that these are the root causes for the low achievement, growth, engagement and post-secondary readiness troubling our school.



Next, we gathered pertinent data to verify that these were indeed the root causes. We researched possible improvement strategies known to influence student learning, and we are currently implementing these strategies and will be able to report on their effectiveness at the end of the school year.

#### **Achievement**

To find out why math scores were trending down in the three-year data, we tried to verify whether instruction is aligned with standards. We looked at summative test scores, but one teacher pointed out that our summative assessment, the CASAS test, is a life-skills oriented test, not an academic one. In the past we researched a better assessment that is aligned with state content area standards. However, it was decided that since the school is closing this would be too costly an acquisition. We decided to continue with the CASAS test for this school year.

#### Growth

Academic growth data shows that very few of the students, only 4%, showed growth of four or more points on the CASAS test. Also, the students who were tested with the CELA exam for language acquisition did not show any growth in their language levels.

The St. Vrain Valley School District has adopted the SIOPs protocol for sheltered English instruction. The SIOP Model helps teachers plan and implement instruction that is comprehensible to all of the students in the classroom, which is also part of effective Tier 1 instruction. The leadership group decided that it would benefit all of our students to take advantage of this adoption. We sent one teacher to the train-the-trainer workshops for this program so that she can share it with our staff. This improvement strategy has already been implemented (and so is not reported as an improvement strategy at the end of this document).

#### **Student Engagement**

In order to make sense of how many students drop out, we looked at the number of credits earned across disaggregated groups. We found that of our 101 October Count students only 15 earned credit. These students were predominantly Hispanic and male, even though the October Count students were more Hispanic and female. In our staff meetings we discussed a need to engage all students in learning and particularly the Latino students.

Despite the low number of students actually earning credit, there was a high number of students re-enrolling at 70%. Students were showing a desire to attend school, but not the ability to stay with it, as demonstrated by the drop out and graduation rates. After discussion and ranking the many elements that go into this lack of engagement, we identified our lack of scheduled courses as a root cause of our low engagement, attendance and graduation rates. We decided the benefits of scheduling students into a classroom in order to track their attendance and growth would help immensely, even though it might be more difficult on the students who work full time. By scheduling, we would be able to generate tracking data with our current student database software. Without the scheduling, most of the students were having trouble finding the self-motivation to come to the open lab setting. During the current (12-13) school year, we have implemented scheduling and will be able to report the effects on learning at the end of the year.





	Total Oct Cnt	Earned Credit	No Credit Earned
N =	101	15	86
Hispanic	52%	66.60%	48%
White	43%	26.60%	45%
Other	5%	6.60%	7%
Female	57%	40%	43%
Male	43%	60%	57%

### **Post-Secondary and Workforce Readiness**

Finally, in looking at teacher quality and the preparedness of teachers to implement Tier 1 instruction, we realized that many were not prepared to meet all of these demands of the classroom. Marzano, in his 2003 work *What Works in Schools: Translating Research into Action* identifies quality instruction as the single most important indicator of student achievement. At the same time, we were facing a reduction in the number of faculty we could employ. We needed to cut the faculty, and our budget, by one-half. Faculty reapplied for their positions in a process that began with identifying their preparedness to meet the rigors of instruction needed for our students to succeed. The principal conducted interviews and eventually roughly one-half of the faculty was cut using teacher preparedness as the criteria for continuing at the school. This single change will affect the instruction in our school.





The following table represents our leadership team's combined analysis of the situation at our school concerning low achievement, growth, engagement and readiness:

	Trend	Priority Performance Challenge	Root Cause	Verification	Improvement Strategy
Achievement	Low achievement	Over the last 3 years, the percentage	Instruction not aligned with	Lack of	Implement structured
and	and growth	of students reaching the 'norm' went	K-12 state standards	alignment of	scheduling and transition
Growth	especially in math	from 90 to 70 then down to 4 percent. This is a large decrease.		CASAS w/ state standards	students to alternative educational settings.
Student	Many students re-	Each year about 70% of the students	Lack of structured	Rate of credits	Implement structured
Engagement	enroll, but poor engagement thereafter.	previously enrolled at the school return for the fall semester.	scheduling practices	earned per hour of attendance	scheduling and transition students to other alternative settings.
PSWR	Low graduation rates, high drop out rates.	The percentage of students completing their studies is unavailable for 09 – 10. The next two years the rate climbed from 4.4% to 8%, but is still well below the 49.5% required for AECs.	Underutilization of data to drive instruction	Lack of data	Implement structured scheduling and transition students to alternative educational settings.
Achievement and Growth	Low growth and achievement by ELL group	ELL students have consistently failed to increase in English language skills enough to move to the FEP level.	Inconsistent application of sheltered English instructional methods	Classroom observations for sheltered English instructional strategies	Implement structured scheduling and transition students to alternative educational settings.

The Improvement Strategies listed at this end of this document have allowed for continued improvement in our current instructional practices, while simultaneously preparing for the closure of the school. The combination of structured scheduling to aide in the collection and use of data in the teaching process, the continued use of sheltered English instructional strategies to support all learners, and a leaner, better-prepared teaching staff are helping, this year, to improve results for all students.



#### Section IV: Action Plan(s)

This section addresses the "plan" portion of the continuous improvement cycle. First, you will identify your annual performance targets and the interim measures. This will be documented in the required School Target Setting Form below. Then you will move into action planning, which should be captured in the Action Planning Form.

#### **School Target Setting Form**

**Directions:** Complete the worksheet below. While schools may set targets for all performance indicators, at a minimum, they must set targets for those priority performance challenges identified in Section III (e.g., by disaggregated student groups, grade levels, subject areas).

Schools are expected to set their own annual targets for academic achievement, academic growth, academic growth gaps and postsecondary and workforce readiness. At a minimum, schools should set targets for each of the performance indicators where state expectations are not met – in each area where a priority performance challenge was identified; targets should also be connected to prioritized performance challenges. Consider last year's targets (see Worksheet #1) and whether adjustments need to be made. For each annual performance target, identify interim measures that will be used to monitor progress toward the annual targets at least quarterly during the school year.

**School Target Setting Form** 

Performance			Priority Performance	Annual Performance	Targets	Interim Measures for	Major Improvement
Indicators			Challenges	Challenges 2012-13		2012-13	Strategy
	Academic Achievement (Status)  R CASAS Life & Work Reading and Lifeskills Math M	percentage of students reaching the 'norm' went from 90 to 70 then down to 4 percent. This is a large decrease. (SY09-10 and 10-11 reflect the full		75% of students enrolled for a minimum of 120 hours of instruction will score greater than or equal to the norm for their grade and AEC status.	N/A	Continue CASAS assessment after every 40 – 60 hours of instruction.	Restructure current program and transition
Achievement		M	population of students served. SY11-12 scores reflect only students in attendance at October Count.)	55% of students enrolled for a minimum of 120 hours of instruction will score greater than or equal to the norm for their grade and AEC status	N/A	Continue CASAS assessment after every 40 – 60 hours of instruction.	students to alternative educational settings.
CELA		Over the last 3 years, ELL students have consistently failed to increase in English		35% of students enrolled for a minimum of 120 hours of instruction will score at	N/A	Continue CASAS assessment after every 40 – 60 hours of instruction.	Restructure current program and transition students to alternative



			move to the FEP level.	the FEP level.			educational settings.
1	CASAS R Life & Work Reading		The percentage of students attending a minimum of 60 hours who showed an increase of 4 or more points in reading and/or math has decreased from	50% of students that have been enrolled for 60 + hours of instruction will score 5 or more points higher on posttest.	N/A	Continue CASAS assessment after every 40 – 60 hours of instruction.	Restructure current program and transition students to alternative educational settings.
Academic Growth	and Lifeskills Math	M	71 to 51 and then 4 percent (different data set for the last percentage, as noted above.) Trending down in math scores	32% of students that have been enrolled for 60 + hours of instruction will score 5 or more points higher on posttest.	Continue CASAS assessment after every 40 – 60 hours of instruction.  N/A		
	CELA		There is no data on the CELA tests for SY9-10. In 10-11 it was only 27% increasing one level. In 11-12 there weren't any students who increased. There is a significant downward trend in growth.	30% of students enrolled for a minimum of 60+ hours of instruction will score one level higher on posttest.	N/A	Continue CASAS assessment after every 40 – 60 hours of instruction.	
	Attendance	Rate	N/A				Implement structured
	Truancy Rat	te	N/A				scheduling system
Student Engagement	Continuous enrollment - % of current year's students enrolled the prior year		Each year about 70% of the students previously enrolled at the school return for the fall semester.	80% of students enrolled at the end of the school year will continue the next fall	N/A	Assess % of students continuing their studies on a quarterly basis.	
Post Secondary & Workforce Readiness	Post Secondary & Completion Rate		The percentage of students completing their studies is unavailable for 09 – 10. The next two years the rate climbed from 4.4% to 8%,	55.4% At/above the 60 <sup>th</sup> percentile of all AECs using 4-, 5-, 6- or 7-year completion rate	N/A	Assess % of students completing their studies on a quarterly basis.	Implement structured scheduling system





		but is still well below the 49.5% required for AECs.				
Dro	ropout Rate	The percentage of students dropping out is unavailable for 09 – 10. The next two years, the rate climbed from 29% to 34%, and is still well above the 12.8% required for AECs.	11.4% At/below the 60 <sup>th</sup> percentile of all AECs	N/A	Assess % of students completing their studies on a quarterly basis.	
	ean ACT omposite Score	The average ACT Composite score dropped from 15.5 in 09-10 to 12.4 in 10-11 and then came up a bit more during 11-12. However, it is still below the 15.7% required for AECs.	N/A	N/A	N/A	
Gra	raduation Rate	The percentage of students completing their studies is unavailable for 09 – 10. The next two years the rate climbed from 4.4% to 8%, but is still well below the 33.3% required for AECs.	55.4% At/above the 60th percentile of all AECs using 4-, 5-, 6- or 7-year completion rate	N/A	Assess % of students continuing their studies on a quarterly basis.	





#### Action Planning Form for 2012-13 and 2013-14

Directions: Identify the major improvement strategy(s) for 2012-13 and 2013-14 that will address the root causes determined in Section III. For each major improvement strategy, identify the root cause(s) that the action steps will help to dissolve. Then, indicate which accountability provision or grant opportunity it will address. In the chart below, provide details about key action steps necessary to implement the major improvement strategy. Details should include the action steps that will be taken to implement the major improvement strategy, a general timeline, resources that will be used to implement the actions, and implementation benchmarks. Add rows in the chart, as needed. While space has been provided for three major improvement strategies, the school may add other major strategies, as needed.

Major Improvement Strategy #1: Restructure current program and transition students to alternative educational settings

Root Cause(s) Addressed: Lack of consistent Tier 1 instruction, inconsistent application of sheltered English instructional methods, underutilization of data to drive instruction, lack of structured scheduling practices

Accountability Provisions or Grant Opportunities Addressed by this Major Improvement Strategy (check all that apply):	
School Plan under State Accountability	☐ Title I Focus School Plan requirements
☐ Application for a Tiered Intervention Grant (TIG) ☐ Improvement Support Partner	ship (ISP) or School Improvement Grant

Description of Action Steps to Implement the Major Improvement Strategy	Timeline (2012-13 and 2013-2014)	Key Personnel*	Resources (Amount and Source: federal, state, and/or local)	and Source: federal, state,	
Evaluate student transcripts for needs	Sept. 2012 – Oct. 2012	Principal	\$0 – local	List of completion status for all students.	Completed
Individual transition Interviews with students	Nov. 2012 thru Feb. 2013	Principal	\$0 – local	Individualized transition plans	In progress
Conduct transition interviews with students in cooperation with Student Services (Special Education).	April 2013	Principal	\$0 – local	Document listing transition plans of all students.	In progress
School closure	June 2013	Principal	\$0 – local	Publication of school closure in local newspaper of record.	Not begun





Major Improvement Strategy #2: Implement structured scheduling system

Root Cause(s) Addressed: Lack of structured scheduling practices, underutilization of data to drive instruction

Accountability Provisions or Grant Opportunities A	Addressed by this Major Improvement Strategy (check all that apply):	
School Plan under State Accountability	☐ Title I Schoolwide or Targeted Assistance plan requirements	☐ Title I Focus School Plan requirements
☐ Application for	a Tiered Intervention Grant (TIG)	ship (ISP) or School Improvement Grant

Description of Action Steps to Implement the Major Improvement Strategy	Timeline (2012-13 and 2013-2014)	Key Personnel*	Resources (Amount and Source: federal, state, and/or local)	Implementation Benchmarks	Status of Action Step* (e.g., completed, in progress, not begun)
Develop a system of scheduling students in accordance with their academic needs.	March - April 2012	Scheduling Team	\$300.00 - Local	Master schedule	Completed
Implement scheduling system.	May and June 2012 for fall term	Staff and Leadership Team	\$600.00 - Local	Individual schedules	Completed
Develop and implement mentoring program to assist students in setting and attaining academic goals.	Sept. 2012 – June 2013	Instructors and Staff	0\$	Individual schedules	In progress
All stakeholders complete survey on effectiveness of scheduling system.	Month of May 2013	Instructors, Staff, and Students	\$50.00 - Local	Evaluation report disseminated to instructors and staff	Not begun
School closure	June 2013	Principal	\$0 – local	Publication of school closure in local paper of record.	Not begun

### Section V: Appendices

Some districts/consortia will need to provide additional forms to document accountability or grant requirements:

- Title I Schoolwide Program (Required)
- Title I Targeted Assistance Program (Required)
- Additional Requirements for Turnaround Status Under State Accountability (Required)



#### Colorado's Unified Improvement Plan for Schools for 2012-13

Organization Code: 0470 District Name: ST VRAIN VALLEY RE 1J School Code: 3192 School Name: FREDERICK ELEMENTARY SCHOOL SPF Year: 2012 Accountable by: 1 Year

#### Section I: Summary Information about the School

**Directions:** This section summarizes your school's performance on the federal and state accountability measures in 2011-12. In the table below, CDE has pre-populated the school's data in blue text. This data shows the school's performance in meeting minimum federal and state accountability expectations as shared through the School Performance Framework (SPF) data. This summary should accompany your improvement plan.

Student Performance Measures for State and Federal Accountability

Performance Indicators	Measures/ Metrics	2011-12 Federal and State Expectations			2011-	-12 School I	Meets Expectations?		
			Elem	MS	HS	Elem	MS	HS	
Academic	TCAP/CSAP, CoAlt/CSAPA, Lectura, Escritura	R	71.65%	-	-	59.35%	-	-	Overall Rating for
Achievement	Description: % P+A in reading, writing, math and science	М	70.89%	-	-	52.44%	-	-	Academic Achievement:  Approaching
(Status)	<b>Expectation:</b> %P+A is at or above the 50 <sup>th</sup> percentile by using 1-year or 3-years of data	W	53.52%	-	-	38.21%	-	-	* Consult your School Performance Framework for the ratings for each
		S	47.53%	-	-	30.77%	-	-	content area at each level.
			Medi	an Adequate	SGP		Median SGI	)	
	Median Student Growth Percentile  Description: Growth in TCAP/CSAP for reading,		Elem	MS	HS	Elem	MS	HS	Overall Rating for Academic Growth:
Academic	writing and math and growth in CELApro for English language proficiency  Expectation: If district met adequate growth: then median SGP is at or above 45.  If district did not meet adequate growth: then median	R	35	-	-	44	-	-	Approaching  * Consult your School Performance
Growth		М	59	-	-	37	-	-	
		W	50	-	-	42	-	-	Framework for the ratings for each content area at each level.
	SGP is at or above 55.		43	-	-	40	-	-	content area at each level.





## Student Performance Measures for State and Federal Accountability (cont.)

Performance Indicators	Measures/ Metrics	2011-12 Federal and State Expectations	2011-12 School Results	Meets Exp	ectations?
Academic Growth Gaps	Median Student Growth Percentile  Description: Growth for reading, writing and math by disaggregated groups.  Expectation: If disaggregated groups met adequate growth, median SGP is at or above 45. If disaggregated groups did not meet adequate growth, median SGP is at or above 55.	See your school's performance frameworks for listing of median adequate growth expectations for your district's disaggregated groups, including free/reduced lunch eligible, minority students, students with disabilities, English Language Learners and students below proficient.	See your school's performance frameworks for listing of median growth by each disaggregated group.	Overall Rating for Approar  * Consult your School I Framework for the ratin disaggregated group a at each level.	eching  Performance ngs for each student
	Graduation Rate Expectation: at 80% or above on the most recent	At 80% or above	Best of 4-year through 7- year Grad Rate	-	
	4-year, 5-year, 6-year or 7-year graduation rate.	, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,	- using a - year grad rate		
Post Secondary/ Workforce	Disaggregated Graduation Rate Expectation: at 80% or above on the disaggregated group's most recent 4-year, 5-year, 6-year or 7-year graduation rate.	At 80% or above for each disaggregated group	See your school's performance frameworks for listing of 4-year, 5-year, 6-year and 7-year graduation rates for disaggregated groups, including free/reduced lunch eligible, minority students, students with disabilities, and English Language Learners.	1	Overall Rating for Post Secondary Readiness:
Readiness	Dropout Rate  Expectation: At or below State average overall.	-	-	1	reaumess.
	Mean ACT Composite Score Expectation: At or above State average	-	-	-	





Accountability Status and Requirements for Improvement Plan

Program	Identification Process Iden	ntification for School	Directions for Completing Improvement Plan		
State Accountability	State Accountability				
Preliminary Recommended Plan Type	Plan assigned based on school's overall school performance framework score (achievement, growth, growth gaps, postsecondary and workforce readiness)	Priority Improvement  – Entering Year 3 as of July 1, 2013.	Based on final results, the school has not met state expectations for attainment on the performance indicators and is required to adopt and implement a Priority Improvement Plan. The Plan must be submitted by January 15, 2013 to be reviewed by CDE. Refer to the UIP website for more detailed instructions on the plan submission process, as well as the Quality Criteria to ensure that all required elements are captured in the school's plan at http://www.cde.state.co.us/uip/UIP_TrainingAndSupport_Resources.asp.		
ESEA and Grant Accountab	ility				
Title I Formula Grant	Program's resources are allocated based upon the poverty rates of students enrolled in schools and districts and are designed to help ensure that all children meet challenging state academic standards.	Does not receive Title I funds	The school does not receive Title I funds and does not need to meet the additional Title I requirements.		
Title I Focus School	Title I school with a (1) low graduation rate (regardless of plan type), and/or (2) Turnaround or Priority Improvement plan type with either (or both) (a) low-achieving disaggregated student groups (i.e., minority, ELL, IEP and FRL) or (b) low disaggregated graduation rate. This is a three-year designation.	Not identified as a Title I Focus School	This school has not been identified as a Title I Focus school and does not need to meet the additional requirements.		
Tiered Intervention Grant (TIG)	Competitive grant (1003g) for schools identified as 5% of lowest performing Title I or Title I eligible schools to implement one of four reform models as defined by the USDE.	Not a TIG Awardee	This school does not receive a TIG grant and does not need to meet those additional requirements.		
Improvement Support Partnership (ISP) or Title I School Improvement Grant	Competitive Title I grant to support school improvement through a diagnostic review (i.e., facilitated data analysis, SST) or an implementation focus (i.e., Best First Instruction, Leadership, Climate and Culture).	Not a Title I School Improvement Grant Awardee	This school does not receive a School Improvement grant and does not need to meet those additional requirements.		





Section II: Improvement Plan Information
Directions: This section should be completed by the school or district.

#### Additional Information about the School

Comprehensive Review and Selected Grant History				
Related Grant Awards	Has the school received a grant that supports the school's improvement efforts? When was the grant awarded?	No		
School Support Team or Expedited Review	Has (or will) the school participated in an SST review or Expedited Review? When?	No		
External Evaluator	Has the school partnered with an external evaluator to provide comprehensive evaluation? Indicate the year and the name of the provider/tool used.	No		

### Improvement Plan Information

The school is submitting this improvement plan to satisfy requirements for (check all that apply):	
X State Accountability	School
☐ Implementation Support Partnership Grant (ISP) or Title I School Improvement Grant	☐ Other:

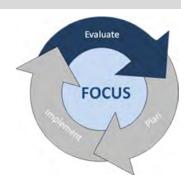
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#### Section III: Narrative on Data Analysis and Root Cause Identification

This section corresponds with the "evaluate" portion of the continuous improvement cycle. The main outcome is to construct a narrative that describes the process and results of the analysis of the data for your school. The analysis should justify the performance targets and actions proposed in section IV. Two worksheets have been provided to help organize your data analysis for your narrative. This analysis section includes: identifying where the school did not at least meet minimum state and federal accountability expectations, describing progress toward targets for the prior school year, describing what performance data were used in the analysis of trends, identifying trends and priority performance challenges (negative trends), describing how performance challenges were prioritized, identifying the root causes of performance challenges, describing how the root causes were identified and verified and what data were used, and describing stakeholder involvement in the analysis. Additional guidance on how to engage in the data analysis process is provided in Unified Improvement Planning Handbook.



#### Worksheet #1: Progress Monitoring of Prior Year's Performance Targets

**Directions:** This chart supports analysis of progress made towards performance targets set for the 2011-12 school year (last year's plan). While this worksheet should be included in your UIP, **the main intent is to record your school's reflections to help build your data narrative.** 

Performance Indicators	Targets for 2011-12 school year (Targets set in last year's plan)	Performance in 2011-12? Was the target met? How close was school in meeting the target?	Brief reflection on why previous targets were met or not met.
Academic Achievement (Status)	Reading: By the end of the 2011-2012 school year, 70% of the students will score proficient or advanced overall on the reading TCAP and at least 70% of students will correctly answer items related to vocabulary and non-fiction reading.  At the same time, 60% of minority, English Language Learners, or those who qualify for free-reduced price lunch will score proficient or advanced on TCAP.	The overall reading Academic Achievement target was not met. 61% of the students scored proficient or advanced overall on the reading TCAP. 61% of students correctly answered items related to vocabulary and non-fiction reading. The target was not met. Both of these were a small increase from the previous year.  The minority target was met. 69% of minority students scored proficient or advanced, which did meet the target. This was an increase of 28% from the previous year. ELL or free-reduced price lunch targets were not met. 45% of ELL students scored proficient or advanced which did not meet the target. This score was slightly higher than the previous year. 59% of students who qualify for free-reduced price lunch scored proficient or advanced, which also did not meet the target, but was within one percentage point and was 18% higher than the previous year.	The overall Academic Achievement target was not met However, there was a small increase and this is due to the increased focus on Tier I reading instruction and focused intervention.  The minority target, ELL target and free-reduced lunch targets were met or increased due to the increased focus on English language instruction, sheltered instruction and teacher/staff understandings of minority students and students in poverty.





Performance Indicators	Targets for 2011-12 school year (Targets set in last year's plan)	Performance in 2011-12? Was the target met? How close was school in meeting the target?	Brief reflection on why previous targets were met or not met.
	Math: By the end of the 2011-2012 school year, 70% of the students will score proficient or advanced overall on the math TCAP and at least 70% of students will correctly answer	The overall math Academic Achievement target was not met. 52% of students scored proficient or advanced, down from 55% the previous year on math CSAP. 52% of students correctly answered items related to number sense and computation.	The overall math Academic Achievement target was not met due to the implementation, with fidelity, of a new and more rigorous math program which teachers struggled to implement.
	items related to number sense and computation.  At the same time, 60% of minority, English Language Learners, or those who qualify for free-reduced price lunch will score proficient or advanced on TCAP.	The minority target was met. 68% of minority students were proficient or advanced on TCAP. This was an increase of 30% from the previous year. ELL or free-reduced price lunch targets were not met. 44% of ELL students scored proficient, up from 38% the previous year. 58% of students who qualify for free-reduced price lunch scored proficient or advanced. While not quite meeting the target, this was an increase of 11%.	The minority target, ELL target and free-reduced lunch targets were met or increased due to the increased focus on English language instruction, sheltered instruction and teacher/staff understandings of minority students and students in poverty.
	Writing: N/A	N/A	
	Science: N/A	N/A	
	Reading: N/A	N/A	
Academic Growth	Math: By the end of the 2011-2012 school year, the Median Student Growth Percentile in Math will be 55.	The Academic Growth target was not met. The Median Student Growth Percentile in Math was 37, up from 34 of the previous year.	The overall math Academic Achievement target was not met due to the implementation, with fidelity, of a new and more rigorous math program which teachers
	Writing: N/A	N/A	struggled to implement.
	Reading: N/A	N/A	
Academic Growth Gaps	Math: By the end of the 2011-2012 school year, 60% of students designated as ELLs, F/R Lunch eligible or Minority will have a growth percentile that is greater than or equal to adequate growth for that group.	The school did not meet these targets. The ELL Median Growth Percentile was 43 and 71 was needed for adequate growth, F/R Lunch eligible student percentile was 37 and 65 was needed for adequate growth, and minority percentile was 43 and 47 was needed for adequate growth for that group.	The overall math Academic Achievement target was not met due to the implementation, with fidelity, of a new and more rigorous math program which teachers struggled to implement.





Performance Indicators	Targets for 2011-12 school year (Targets set in last year's plan)	Performance in 2011-12? Was the target met? How close was school in meeting the target?	Brief reflection on why previous targets were met or not met.
	50% of the students scoring below proficient will make catch-up growth	Only 6% of students made catch-up growth.	
	Writing: N/A	N/A	
Post Secondary Readiness	N/A	N/A	



#### Worksheet #2: Data Analysis

Directions: This chart supports planning teams in recording and organizing observations about school-level data in preparation for writing the required data narrative. Planning teams should describe positive and negative trends for all of the four performance indicators using at least three years of data and then prioritize the performance challenges (based on notable trends) that the school will focus its efforts on improving. The root cause analysis and improvement planning efforts in the remainder of the plan should be aimed at addressing the identified priority performance challenges is recommended (no more than 3-5); a performance challenge may apply to multiple performance indicators. At a minimum, priority performance challenges must be identified in any of the four performance indicator areas where minimum state and federal expectations were not met for accountability purposes. Furthermore, schools are encouraged to consider observations recorded in the "last year's targets" worksheet. Finally, provide a brief description of the root cause analysis for any priority performance challenges. You may add rows, as needed.

Performance Indicators	Description of Notable Trends (3 years of past state and local data)	Priority Performance Challenges	Root Causes
Academic Achievement (Status)	Reading 2010 2011 2012 Grade 3 67 79 68 Grade 4 54 45 57 Grade 5 49 60 51  The percent of students (Grade 3-5) scoring proficient or advanced on reading TCAP has remained stable (61%, 60%, 61%) between 2010 and 2012, but is lower than state reading TCAP averages.  The percent of ELL students (Grade 3-5) scoring proficient or advanced on reading TCAP increased from 32% to 42% to 45% between 2010 and 2012.  The percent of minority students (Grade 3-5) scoring proficient or advanced on reading TCAP increased from 40% to 41% to 69% between 2010 and 2012, decreasing the achievement gap between white and minority students from 28 points in 2009 to 3 points in 2012.  The percent of students qualifying for free/reduced lunch (Grade 3-5) scoring proficient or advanced on reading TCAP increased from 38% to 41% to 59% between 2010	Increasing, but low reading performance for all grade (K-5) cohort groups (61% P/A – as measured by Grade 3-5 TCAP) especially: minority students (69% P/A) representing 63% of the student body, ELL students (45% P/A) representing 36% of the student body, and F/R lunch students (59% P/A) representing 65% of the student body; which is below the state average of 70%.	There has not been a sense of shared accountability for student learning. Progress monitoring has not occurred on a regular basis and students who are struggling have not been properly identified or receive research-based additional support and interventions.  There have been low expectations for minority students, ELL students and students impacted by poverty; with a lack of understanding on how to instruct, engage, and motivate these students.  Limited exposure to English and English Language Development instruction, especially in Primary Bilingual classrooms.  Lack of sheltered instruction; including academic language and vocabulary development. There is almost no direct instruction of vocabulary other than that provided through the reading program.  There has been inconsistent implementation of guided reading groups, as part of Tier I classroom instruction.





Performance Indicators	Description of Notable Trends (3 years of past state and local data)	Priority Performance Challenges	Root Causes
	and 2012, but is still lower than the percent of students not qualifying for free/reduced lunch scoring proficient or advanced (79%)  While less than 50% of students (K-3) were at grade level (Spring 2009, 2010, 2011), as measured by PALS; Spring 2012 showed an increase in percentages of students at grade level. K – 63%, 1st – 63%, 2nd – 68%, and 2nd – 72% (which is similar to 2012 3nd grade).		
	and 3 <sup>rd</sup> – 73% (which is similar to 2012 3 <sup>rd</sup> grade Reading TCAP results).		
	Writing         2010         2011         2012           Grade 3         49         57         53           Grade 4         36         32         23		
	Grade 5 32 38 38 Overall 39 42 38  Scores remain stable (within 4 points overall), but are below state TCAP Writing expectations.	N/A	N/A





Performance Indicators	Description of Notable Trends (3 years of past state and local data)	Priority Performance Challenges	Root Causes
	Math 2010 2011 2012 Grade 3 64 67 58 Grade 4 52 56 54 Grade 5 29 47 44  The percent of students (Grade 3-5) scoring proficient or advanced on math TCAP has remained relatively stable (48%, 52%, 55%) between 2010 and 2012, but is lower than state math TCAP averages.  The percent of ELL students (Grade 3-5) scoring proficient or advanced on math TCAP increased from 34% to 38% to 44% between 2010 and 2012.  The percent of minority students (Grade 3-5) scoring proficient or advanced on math TCAP declined from 37% to 30% from 2010 to 2011, and then increased to 68% in 2012, erasing the achievement gap between white and minority students from 24 points in 2010 to -4 points in 2012 (white student performance was 64%).  The percent of students qualifying for free/reduced lunch (Grade 3-5) scoring proficient or advanced on math TCAP increased from 38% to 47% to 58% between 2010 and 2012, but is still lower than the percent of students not qualifying for free/reduced lunch scoring proficient or advanced (80%).	Persistent low math performance for all grade (K-5) cohort groups (52% P/A - as measured by Grade 3-5 TCAP) especially: minority students (68% P/A) representing 63% of the student body, ELL students (44% P/A) representing 36% of the student body, and F/R lunch students (58% P/A) representing 65% of the student body; which is below the state average of 68% P/A.	There has not been a sense of shared accountability for student learning. Progress monitoring has not occurred on a regular basis and students who are struggling have not been properly identified or receive research-based additional support and interventions.  There have been low expectations for minority students, ELL students and students impacted by poverty; with a lack of understanding on how to instruct, engage, and motivate these students.  Limited exposure to English and English Language Development instruction during math instruction, especially in Primary Bilingual classrooms.  Lack of sheltered instruction; including academic language and vocabulary development.  There has been inconsistent implementation of district math curriculum.





Performance Indicators	Description of Notable Trends (3 years of past state and local data)	Priority Performance Challenges	Root Causes
	Science 2010 2011 2012 Grade 5 17 40 30  Scores increased from 2010 to 2011, but declined in 2012 and are below state averages.	N/A	N/A
Academic Growth	The median growth percentile in reading for Grades 3-5 on TCAP was stable from 2010-2011 (38%), then increased in 2012 to 44%, meeting the minimum expectation of 35.  The median growth percentile in math for Grades 4-5 on TCAP increased from 20% in 2010 to 34% in 2011 to 37% in 2012, but is below the minimum expectation of 59.	For the past three years, 40% of students in grades 4 and 5 have not made enough growth to catch up to	N/A  There has not been a sense of shared accountability for student learning. Progress monitoring has not occurred on a regular basis and students who are struggling have not been properly identified or receive research-based additional support and interventions.
	The percent of students catching up in math for Grades 4 and 5 on TCAP increased from 7% in 2010 to 12% in 2011 and then decreased to 6% in 2012, for an average of 8% over three years.	proficient within three years as measured by Math TCAP.	There have been low expectations for minority students, ELL students and students impacted by poverty; with a lack of understanding on how to instruct, engage, and motivate these students.





Performance Indicators	Description of Notable Trends (3 years of past state and local data)	Priority Performance Challenges	Root Causes
			Limited exposure to English and English Language Development instruction during math instruction, especially in Primary Bilingual classrooms.  Lack of sheltered instruction; including academic language and vocabulary development.  There has been inconsistent implementation of district math curriculum.
Academic Growth	The median growth percentile in writing for Grades 4-5 on TCAP increased from 34% in 2010 to 38% in 2011 to 42% in 2012, but is below the minimum expectation of 50.	N/A	N/A
Academic Growth Gaps	Reading: In 2011-12, one subgroup of students (Free/Reduced Lunch Eligible) made adequate growth. Free/Reduced Lunch Eligible	N/A	N/A





Performance Indicators	Description of Notable Trends (3 years of past state and local data)	Priority Performance Challenges	Root Causes
	Median Growth Percentile: 45 Adequate Growth Percentile: 69  The median growth percentile of minority students has increased from 39 in 2010 and 39 in 2011 to 43 in 2012. The median growth percentile of Free/Reduced Lunch students has increased from 38 in 2010 to 37 in 2011 to 44 in 2012, surpassing the MGP of non-Free/Reduced Lunch students (43).  The median growth percentile of students with disabilities decreased from 35 in 2010 to 31 in 2011 and increased to 34 in 2012.  The median growth percentile of ELL students has increased from 36 in 2010 to 38 in 2011 to 47 in 2012, surpassing the non-ELL percentile (40).		
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	Writing: In 2011-12, no subgroups of students made adequate growth.  Free/Reduced Lunch Eligible		





Performance Indicators	Description of Notable Trends (3 years of past state and local data)	Priority Performance Challenges	Root Causes
	Students needing to catch up  Median Growth Percentile: 46  Adequate Growth Percentile: 74		
	The median growth percentile of minority students has increased from 32 in 2010 to 34 in 2011 to 46 in 2012, surpassing the non-minority percentile (31). The median growth percentile of Free/Reduced Lunch students has increased from 32 in 2010 to 32 in 2011 to 43 in 2012, surpassing the MGP for non-Free/Reduced Lunch students (36). The median growth percentile of students with disabilities has increased from 16 in 2010 to 24 in 2011 to 52 in 2012, which surpassed the MGP for the school (39). The median growth percentile of ELL students has increased from 33 in 2010 to 48 in 2011 to 54 in 2012, surpassing the non-ELL percentile (34).		
	Math: In 2011-12, no subgroups of students made adequate growth.  Free/Reduced Lunch Eligible  Median Growth Percentile: 37  Adequate Growth Percentile: 65  Minority Students	Increasing, but low and inadequate growth of all subgroups in math: minority students (from 21 in 2010 to 34 in 2011 to 42 in 2012)	There has not been a sense of shared accountability for student learning. Progress monitoring has not occurred on a regular basis and students who are struggling have not been properly identified or receive research-based additional support and interventions.
	Median Growth Percentile: 42 Adequate Growth Percentile: 69 Students w/Disabilities Median Growth Percentile: 38 Adequate Growth Percentile: 82 English Language Learners	representing 63% of the student body, ELL students (from 27 in 2010 to 34 in 2011 to 43 in 2012) representing 36% of	There have been low expectations for minority students, ELL students and students impacted by poverty; with a lack of understanding on how to instruct, engage, and motivate these students.
	Median Growth Percentile: 43 Adequate Growth Percentile: 71	the student body, and F/R lunch students (from 27 in 2010 to 34	Limited exposure to English and English Language  Development instruction during math instruction, especially in





Performance Indicators	Description of Notable Trends (3 years of past state and local data)  Students needing to catch up     Median Growth Percentile: 37     Adequate Growth Percentile: 80  The median growth percentile of minority students has increased from 21 in 2010 to 34 in 2011 to 42 in 2012, surpassing the non-minority percentile (34). The median growth percentile of Free/Reduced Lunch students has increased from 22 in 2010 to 35 in 2011 to 37 in 2012. The median growth percentile of students with disabilities has increased from 18 in 2010 to 34 in 2011 to 38 in 2012, which surpassed the MGP for the school (37). The median growth percentile of ELL students has increased from 27 in 2010 to 34 in 2011 to 43 in 2012, surpassing the non-ELL percentile (34).	Priority Performance Challenges in 2011 to 43 in 2012) representing 65% of the student body.	Primary Bilingual classrooms.  Lack of sheltered instruction; including academic language and vocabulary development.  There has been inconsistent implementation of district math curriculum.
Post Secondary & Workforce Readiness	N/A	N/A	N/A
	N/A	N/A	N/A





#### **Data Narrative for School**

**Directions:** Building on the data organized in Worksheet #1 and Worksheet #2, describe the process and results of the data analysis for the school, including review of prior years' targets, trends, priority performance challenges and root cause analysis. The narrative should address each aspect of the descriptions below. The narrative should not take more than five pages.

#### **Data Narrative for School**

#### Narrative:

## **Description of School Setting and Process for Data Analysis**

Frederick Elementary School is located in the St Vrain Valley School District, serving K-5 students from the towns of Dacono and Frederick. Enrollment is 508 of which 60% are Free/Reduced Lunch eligible, 60% are minority students, and 40% are ELL students. The school is in the process of closing at the end of the current school year. It will move and open as a K-8 in the Fall of 2013. It is the intent of the K-8 planning team to re-image the reputation of Frederick Elementary school and staff. As a result, that planning team was very involved in the development of this UIP. The K-8 planning team (which includes district administrators), along with the Academic Accountability team and the School Accountability Committee met every other week starting in mid-August to have data driven dialogues about the state TCAP results (both achievement and growth), district-administered interim assessments (Galileo, PALS), as well as school-administered DRA2 testing, trends collected over the past school year during classroom walkthroughs, and parent/staff perception surveys. Trends in achievement were consistent across these measures. The team spent the most time in the areas of reading and math – taking each content area and reviewing current performance, identifying notable trends, prioritizing performance challenges, and refining the root causes to those challenges.

#### **Review Current Performance**

Frederick Elementary School will be entering Year 3 of Priority Improvement or Turnaround. We missed Improvement by 2.2%.

Academic Achievement: We did not meet the state targets in TCAP for reading, writing, math or science. We received "approaching" in these areas.

Academic Growth: We did not meet the state targets in TCAP for reading, writing, math, or English Language Proficiency. We received "approaching" in all areas except math.

Academic Growth Gaps: We did not meet the state targets for any sub-group. We received "approaching" in all sub-groups except reading: students with disabilities, mathematics: overall, F/R lunch, students with disabilities, and students needing to catch up. We received "approaching" in all sub-groups for writing.

Magnitude of the school's performance challenges: The magnitude of the challenges is significant – impacting at least 60% of the students in the school. The challenges are evident across all content areas, with math being the weakest. Significant performance challenges are evident across all disaggregated groups, with students with disabilities being the weakest.

The team also considered the performance targets set for the previous year and whether the targets were met and why the targets were met or not.

**Reading Academic Achievement:** By the end of the 2011-2012 school year, 70% of the students will score proficient or advanced overall on the reading TCAP and at least 70% of students will correctly answer items related to vocabulary and non-fiction reading. At the same time, 60% of minority, English Language Learners, or those who qualify for free-reduced price lunch will score proficient or advanced on TCAP.





The overall reading Academic Achievement target was not met. 61% of the students scored proficient or advanced overall on the reading TCAP. 61% of students correctly answered items related to vocabulary and non-fiction reading. The target was not met. Both of these were a small increase from the previous year.

The minority target was met. 69% of minority students scored proficient or advanced, which did meet the target. This was an increase of 28% from the previous year. ELL or free-reduced price lunch targets were not met. 45% of ELL students scored proficient or advanced which did not meet the target. This score was slightly higher than the previous year. 59% of students who qualify for free-reduced price lunch scored proficient or advanced, which also did not meet the target, but was within one percentage point and was 18% higher than the previous year.

The overall Academic Achievement target was not met. However, there was a small increase and this is due to the increased focus on Tier I reading instruction and focused intervention. The minority target, ELL target and free-reduced lunch targets were met or increased due to the increased focus on English language instruction, sheltered instruction and teacher/staff understandings of students of color and poverty.

**Math Academic Achievement:** By the end of the 2011-2012 school year, 70% of the students will score proficient or advanced overall on the math TCAP and at least 70% of students will correctly answer items related to number sense and computation. At the same time, 60% of minority, English Language Learners, or those who qualify for free-reduced price lunch will score proficient or advanced on TCAP.

The overall math Academic Achievement target was not met. 52% of students scored proficient or advanced, down from 55% the previous year on math CSAP. 52% of students correctly answered items related to number sense and computation. The minority target was met. 68% of minority students were proficient or advanced on TCAP. This was an increase of 30% from the previous year. ELL or free-reduced price lunch targets were not met. 44% of ELL students scored proficient, up from 38% the previous year. 58% of students who qualify for free-reduced price lunch scored proficient or advanced. While not quite meeting the target, this was an increase of 11%. The overall math Academic Achievement target was not met due to the implementation, with fidelity, of a new and more rigorous math program which teachers struggled to implement. The minority target, ELL target and free-reduced lunch targets were met or increased due to the increased focus on English language instruction, sheltered instruction and teacher/staff understandings of students of color and poverty.

**Math Growth:** By the end of the 2011-2012 school year, the Median Student Growth Percentile in Math will be 55. The Academic Growth target was not met. The Median Student Growth Percentile in Math was 37, up from 34 of the previous year.

Math Growth Gaps: By the end of the 2011-2012 school year, 60% of students designated as ELLs, F/R Lunch eligible or Minority will have a growth percentile that is greater than or equal to adequate growth for that group. 50% of the students scoring below proficient will make catch-up growth. The school did not meet these targets. The ELL Median Growth Percentile was 43 and 71 was needed for adequate growth, F/R Lunch eligible student percentile was 37 and 65 was needed for adequate growth, and minority percentile was 43 and 47 was needed for adequate growth for that group. As with the Math Academic Achievement, the goals for growth and growth gaps for math were not met due to the implementation of a new and more rigorous math program which teachers struggled to implement.

Based on small but mostly positive growth, the team feels that current performance supports continuation of current major improvement strategies and action steps that were outlined in the school target setting form and action planning forms for 2011-2012.

## **Trend Analysis**

Using part of the data driven dialogue process, the team analyzed and interpreted the past three years of performance data (TCAP achievement scores, TCAP growth and growth gap scores, and local reading scores for primary grades). We looked for trends in the data (for each performance indicator) and determined that the most notable trends were those that compared our data with state expectations or where we were looking at sub-groups that had been the focus of much of our work and targets for 2011-12.

#### **Academic Achievement Notable Trends**

## Reading

- The percent of students (Grade 3-5) scoring proficient or advanced on reading TCAP has remained stable (61%, 60%, 61%) between 2010 and 2012, but is lower than state reading TCAP averages.
- The percent of ELL students (Grade 3-5) scoring proficient or advanced on reading TCAP increased from 32% to 42% to 45% between 2010 and 2012.
- The percent of minority students (Grade 3-5) scoring proficient or advanced on reading TCAP increased from 40% to 41% to 69% between 2010 and 2012, decreasing the achievement



gap between white and minority students from 28 points in 2009 to 3 points in 2012.

- The percent of students qualifying for free/reduced lunch (Grade 3-5) scoring proficient or advanced on reading TCAP increased from 38% to 41% to 59% between 2010 and 2012, but is still lower than the percent of students not qualifying for free/reduced lunch scoring proficient or advanced (79%).
- While less than 50% of students (K-3) were at grade level (Spring 2009, 2010, 2011), as measured by PALS; Spring 2012 showed an increase in percentages of students at grade level. K 63%, 1st 63%, 2nd 68%, and 3rd 73% (which is similar to 2012 3rd grade Reading TCAP results).

#### Math

- The percent of students (Grade 3-5) scoring proficient or advanced on math TCAP has remained relatively stable (48%, 52%, 55%) between 2010 and 2012, but is lower than state math TCAP averages.
- The percent of ELL students (Grade 3-5) scoring proficient or advanced on math TCAP increased from 34% to 38% to 44% between 2010 and 2012.
- The percent of minority students (Grade 3-5) scoring proficient or advanced on math TCAP declined from 37% to 30% from 2010 to 2011, and then increased to 68% in 2012, erasing the achievement gap between white and minority students from 24 points in 2010 to -4 points in 2012 (white student performance was 64%).
- The percent of students qualifying for free/reduced lunch (Grade 3-5) scoring proficient or advanced on math TCAP increased from 38% to 47% to 58% between 2010 and 2012, but is still lower than the percent of students not qualifying for free/reduced lunch scoring proficient or advanced (80%).

### Writing

Scores remain stable (within 4 points overall), but are below state TCAP Writing expectations.

#### Science

Scores increased from 2010 to 2011, but declined in 2012 and are below state averages.

#### **Academic Growth Notable Trends**

### Reading

• The median growth percentile in reading for Grades 4-5 on TCAP was stable from 2010-2011 (38%), then increased in 2012 to 44%, meeting the minimum expectation of 35.

#### Math

- The median growth percentile in math for Grades 4-5 on TCAP increased from 20% in 2010 to 34% in 2011 to 37% in 2012, but is below the minimum expectation of 59.
- The percent of students catching up in math for Grades 4 and 5 on TCAP increased from 7% in 2010 to 12% in 2011 and then decreased to 6% in 2012, for an average of 8% over three years.

# Writing

• The median growth percentile in writing for Grades 3-5 on TCAP increased from 34% in 2010 to 38% in 2011 to 42% in 2012, but is below the minimum expectation of 50.

## **Academic Growth Gaps**

### Reading

- The median growth percentile of minority students has increased from 39 in 2010 and 39 in 2011 to 43 in 2012.
- The median growth percentile of Free/Reduced Lunch students decreased from 38 in 2010 to 37 in 2011 and increased to 44 in 2012, surpassing the MGP of non-Free/Reduced Lunch students (43). This sub-group made adequate growth as measured by the state.
- The median growth percentile of students with disabilities decreased from 35 in 2010 to 31 in 2011 and increased to 34 in 2012.
- The median growth percentile of ELL students has increased from 36 in 2010 to 38 in 2011 to 47 in 2012, surpassing the non-ELL percentile (40).





### Writing

- The median growth percentile of minority students has increased from 32 in 2010 to 34 in 2011 to 46 in 2012, surpassing the non-minority percentile (31).
- The median growth percentile of Free/Reduced Lunch students has increased from 32 in 2010 to 32 in 2011 to 43 in 2012, surpassing the MGP for non-Free/Reduced Lunch students (36).
- The median growth percentile of students with disabilities has increased from 16 in 2010 to 24 in 2011 to 52 in 2012, which surpassed the MGP for the school (39) and is a celebration!
- The median growth percentile of ELL students has increased from 33 in 2010 to 48 in 2011 to 54 in 2012, surpassing the non-ELL percentile (34).

#### Math

- The median growth percentile of minority students has increased from 21 in 2010 to 34 in 2011 to 42 in 2012, surpassing the non-minority percentile (34).
- The median growth percentile of Free/Reduced Lunch students has increased from 22 in 2010 to 35 in 2011 to 37 in 2012.
- The median growth percentile of students with disabilities has increased from 18 in 2010 to 34 in 2011 to 38 in 2012, which surpassed the MGP for the school (37).
- The median growth percentile of ELL students has increased from 27 in 2010 to 34 in 2011 to 43 in 2012, surpassing the non-ELL percentile (34).

## **Priority Performance Challenges**

As stated earlier in this narrative, the magnitude of the challenges is significant – impacting at least 60% of the students in the school. The challenges are evident across all content areas. As the team looked at notable trends, and compared those trends to local, current data (for which we do not have three years of data to analyze) – a number of trends came together to support the following priority performance challenges.

In **reading academic achievement**: the notable trends (stated above) of students scoring P/A on reading TCAP along with trends for ELL students, minority students, and students qualifying for free/reduced lunch were supported by our local data. In spring of 2012, the Frederick staff voted to voluntarily assess every student on DRA2 (in addition to district required PALS). The results of that data showed over 60% of students K-5 were not at grade level as measured by the DRA2. Further looks into that data showed that the majority of those 60% were minority, ELL, and/or Free/Reduced. It was the consensus of the team that this is a significant set of trends that cut across all grades and student groups. While the trends for specific groups are showing an increase, the achievement levels are not satisfactory. This led to the following priority performance challenge: Increasing, but low reading performance for all grade (K-5) cohort groups (61% P/A – as measured by Grade 3-5 TCAP) especially: minority students (69% P/A) representing 63% of the student body; which is below the state average of 70%.

In math academic achievement: the notable trends (stated above) of students of students scoring P/A on math TCAP along with trends for ELL students, minority students, and students qualifying for free/reduced lunch were supported by our local data. For students in grades 1-5, fall 2013 Galileo data shows grade level proficiency between 50-60%. This is comparable to TCAP trend data. Again, further looks into that data showed that the majority of those not at proficiency were minority, ELL, and/or Free/Reduced. It was the consensus of the team that this is a significant set of trends that cut across all grades and student groups. While the trends for specific groups are showing an increase, the achievement levels are not satisfactory. This led to the following priority performance challenge: Persistent low math performance for all grade (K-5) cohort groups (52% P/A - as measured by Grade 3-5 TCAP) especially: minority students (68% P/A) representing 63% of the student body, ELL students (44% P/A) representing 36% of the student body, and F/R lunch students (58% P/A) representing 65% of the student body; which is below the state average of 68% P/A. The magnitude of this low math performance is significant and needs to be addressed immediately.

When reviewing the notable trends in **academic growth**, the team considered that the MGP for **reading** did increase and did meet the minimum expectation. However, the school did not meet the minimum expectation for **math**. While the MGP has trended upward, 37 is still significantly below the minimum expectation of 59. In looking at the growth data, the team was specifically struck by the three year trend of students "catching up". If, on average, 8% of students that score Unsatisfactory or Partially Proficient on math TCAP make enough growth to catch up to proficient within three years and the school has, on average, 48% of students scoring U or PP; that means that 40% of all students will not catch up to their grade level peers. That led to this priority performance challenge in academic growth: For the past three years, 40% of students in grades 4 and 5 have not made enough growth to catch up to proficient within three years as measured by Math TCAP. Again, the magnitude of this challenge is significant and needs to be addressed immediately.

While reviewing the notable trends in **academic growth gaps**, the team again considered the overall math achievement of just barely above 50% of the school. While the MGP of sub-groups have increased (which supports continuation of current major improvement strategies and action steps), the percentiles are low in comparison to adequate growth percentiles needed (minority students 42/69, ELL students 43/71, F/R Lunch students 37/65). Once again, significant magnitude in the priority performance challenge of: Increasing, but low and inadequate growth of all subgroups in math: minority students (from 21 in 2010 to 34 in 2011 to 42 in 2012) representing 36% of the





student body, and F/R lunch students (from 27 in 2010 to 34 in 2011 to 43 in 2012) representing 65% of the student body.

# **Root Cause Analysis**

As we considered root causes for the priority performance challenges, we considered the significant magnitude of the challenges. The significance of all four priority performance challenges is school-wide and therefore, we knew that our root causes would be school-wide statements. The root cause statements we identified relate to one or more of the priority performance challenges, as well as being interrelated throughout the school and content areas. We considered additional school-wide data as we engaged in root-cause analysis. In particular, the planning team: surveyed teachers, collected data about the content addressed in reading and math, considered district school-walkthrough data, looked at documented interventions or additional support provided to low performing students, looked at plans that documented the amount of instructional time in English, and examined classroom walkthrough data documenting ELL strategies used on a consistent basis.

Our analysis led us to identify the following root causes:

- There has not been a sense of shared accountability for student learning. Progress monitoring has not occurred on a regular basis and students who are struggling have not been properly identified or receive research-based additional support and interventions.
- There have been low expectations for minority students, ELL students and students impacted by poverty; with a lack of understanding on how to instruct, engage, and motivate these students.
- Limited exposure to English and English Language Development instruction, especially in our Primary Bilingual classrooms.
- Lack of sheltered instruction; including academic language and vocabulary development. There is almost no direct instruction of vocabulary other than that provided through the reading program.
- There has been inconsistent implementation of guided reading groups, as part of Tier I classroom instruction.
- There has been inconsistent implementation of district math curriculum.
- There is a need for continued systematic and intentional District leadership and support.

## **Verification of Root Cause**

After drafting initial root cause statements, the planning team then examined more closely what was happening in classrooms with regard to expectations for student learning, particularly students significantly below grade level. We also gathered data on what student progress monitoring looked like in classrooms. The result was verification that progress monitoring was not occurring in any systematic and purposeful way. Further discussions with staff and a survey of parents verify that there appears to be a climate of low expectations for our students. We don't expect our students to do well and therefore they don't. In fact, teachers acknowledge that they are inconsistent with implementation of guided reading and use of the district math curriculum. In student surveys, administered in our intermediate classrooms, students expressed a lack of motivation or buy-in to classroom instruction. This was particularly true of our Hispanic boys. Staff acknowledges lacking understanding on just how to engage and motivate minority students, and students impacted by poverty. Staff acknowledged that ELL students were not being immersed into social and academic English language opportunities as they could. The small but increasing notable trends, encouraged the planning team that the systematic and intentional District leadership and support was a continued need and root cause. Further verification of root causes will continue as further data is examined throughout the school year by the planning team and school and district leadership.



## Section IV: Action Plan(s)

This section addresses the "plan" portion of the continuous improvement cycle. First, you will identify your annual performance targets and the interim measures. This will be documented in the required School Target Setting Form below. Then you will move into action planning, which should be captured in the Action Planning Form.

## **School Target Setting Form**

**Directions:** Complete the worksheet below. While schools may set targets for all performance indicators, at a minimum, they must set targets for those priority performance challenges identified in Section III (e.g., by disaggregated student groups, grade levels, subject areas).

Schools are expected to set their own annual targets for academic achievement, academic growth, academic growth gaps and postsecondary and workforce readiness. At a minimum, schools should set targets for each of the performance indicators where state expectations are not met – in each area where a priority performance challenge was identified; targets should also be connected to prioritized performance challenges. Consider last year's targets (see Worksheet #1) and whether adjustments need to be made. For each annual performance target, identify interim measures that will be used to monitor progress toward the annual targets at least quarterly during the school year.





**School Target Setting Form** 

Performance	Setting Form		Priority Performance	Annual Perfor	mance Targets	Interim Measures for	Major Improvement
Indicators	Measures/ M	etrics	Challenges	2012-13	2013-14	2012-13	Strategy
Academic Achievement (Status)	TCAP/CSAP, CoAlt/CSAPA , Lectura, Escritura	R	Increasing, but low reading performance for all grade (K-5) cohort groups (61% P/A – as measured by Grade 3-5 TCAP) especially: minority students (69% P/A) representing 63% of the student body, ELL students (45% P/A) representing 36% of the student body, and F/R lunch students (59% P/A) representing 65% of the student body; which is below the state average of 70%.	By the end of the 2012-2013 school year, 70% of the students will score proficient or advanced overall on the reading TCAP, including minority students and F/R lunch students; and 60% of ELL students.	By the end of the 2013-2014 school year, 75% of the students will score proficient or advanced overall on the reading TCAP, including minority students and F/R lunch students; and 65% of ELL students.	DRA2 administered 3X a year (Aug, Dec, April) on every student.  DRA2 Progress Monitoring monthly for students below grade level.  Running Records on unseen text and/or DIBELS every other week for students at risk.	Major Improvement Strategy #1: School Management: Continue the reorganization of the oversight and management structure within the school to provide greater, more effective support to educators and learners. Major Improvement Strategy #2: Support learning needs of students, most represented in achievement and growth gaps, by providing: standardized instructional minutes in English instruction for bilingual students; sheltered instruction for all students, to include academic language and vocabulary development; and effective, motivational, and engaging instruction through staff understanding of ELL students, minority students, and students of poverty.





Major Improvement Strategy #3: Provide standards-based, teaching/learning cycle reading programming that meets the learning needs of all students; including incoming kindergarten and students below grade level, to include monitoring student progress through Grade Level Teams and Data Analysis Team using: DRA2 administered 3X a year (Aug. Dec. April on every student. SRI administered 3X a year grades 3-5, DRA2 Progress Monitoring monthly for students below grade level. Running Records on urseen text anafor DRELS every other week for students at risk; daily guided reading groups as part of Tier 1 classroom instruction research-based support and intervention for Tier 2 and Tier 3 (students with disabilities) students, and augmented instructional school years.	 			
				Strategy #3: Provide standards-based, teaching/learning cycle reading programming that meets the learning needs of all students; including incoming kindergarten and students below grade level, to include: monitoring student progress through Grade Level Teams and Data Analysis Team using: DRA2 administered 3X a year (Aug, Dec, April) on every student, SRI administered 3X a year grades 3-5, DRA2 Progress Monitoring monthly for students below grade level, Running Records on unseen text and/or DIBELS every other week for students at risk; daily guided reading groups as part of Tier I classroom instruction; research-based support and intervention for Tier 2 and Tier 3 (students with disabilities) students; and augmented instructional



	M	Persistent low math performance for all grade (K-5) cohort groups (52% P/A - as measured by Grade 3-5 TCAP) especially: minority students (68% P/A) representing 63% of the student body, ELL students (44% P/A) representing 36% of the student body, and F/R lunch students (58% P/A) representing 65% of the student body; which is below the state average of 68% P/A.	By the end of the 2012-2013 school year, 70% of the students will score proficient or advanced overall on the math TCAP, including minority students and F/R lunch students; and 60% of ELL students.	By the end of the 2013-2014 school year, 75% of the students will score proficient or advanced overall on the math TCAP, including minority students and F/R lunch students; and 65% of ELL students.	Galileo administered 4X a year (Aug, Nov, Jan, April) District adopted end- of-unit assessments Grade level team generated progress monitoring for students at risk.	Major Improvement Strategy #1: School Management: Continue the reorganization of the oversight and management structure within the school to provide greater, more effective support to educators and learners. Major Improvement Strategy #2: Support learning needs of students, most represented in achievement and growth gaps, by providing: standardized instructional minutes in English instruction for bilingual students; sheltered instruction for all students, to include academic language and vocabulary development; and effective, motivational, and engaging instruction through staff understanding of ELL students, minority students, and students of poverty. Major Improvement
						Strategy #4: Provide standards-based, teaching/learning cycle mathematics programming





		<b>W</b> S					that meets the learning needs of all students; including students below grade level, to include: monitoring student progress using Galileo Math (4 times yearly), District-adopted end-of unit math assessments, Grade Level team created progress monitoring (at least monthly); fidelity to implementation of district math curriculum; and research-based support and intervention for Tier 2 and Tier 3 students.
Academic Growth	Median Student Growth Percentile (TCAP/CSAP & CELApro)	R M	For the past three years, 40% of students in grades 4 and 5 have not made enough growth to catch up to proficient within three years as measured by Math TCAP.	By the end of the 2012-2013 school year, the Median Student Growth Percentile in Math will be 50, additionally 50% of the students scoring below proficient the previous year will make catch-up growth.	By the end of the 2013-2014 school year, the Median Student Growth Percentile in Math will be 55, additionally 55% of the students scoring below proficient the previous year will make catch-up growth.	Galileo administered 4X a year (Aug, Nov, Jan, April) District adopted end- of-unit assessments Grade level team generated progress monitoring for students at risk.	See Major Improvement Strategy #1 above See Major Improvement Strategy #2 above See Major Improvement Strategy #4 above
		ELP					
Academic	Median	R					
Growth	Student	М	Increasing, but low and	By the end of the 2012-	By the end of the 2013-	Galileo administered 4X a year	See Major Improvement





Gaps	Growth Percentile	W	inadequate growth of all subgroups in math: minority students (from 21 in 2010 to 34 in 2011 to 42 in 2012) representing 63% of the student body, ELL students (from 27 in 2010 to 34 in 2011 to 43 in 2012) representing 36% of the student body, and F/R lunch students (from 27 in 2010 to 34 in 2011 to 43 in 2012) representing 65% of the student body.	2013 school year, 60% of students designated as ELLs, F/R Lunch eligible or minority will have a growth percentile that is greater than or equal to adequate growth for that group.	2014 school year, 60% of students designated as ELLs, F/R Lunch eligible or minority will have a growth percentile that is greater than or equal to adequate growth for that group.	(Aug, Nov, Jan, April) District adopted end- of-unit assessments Grade level team generated progress monitoring for students at risk.	Strategy #1 above See Major Improvement Strategy #2 above See Major Improvement Strategy #4 above
	Graduation Rate	е					
Post Secondary &	Disaggregated Grad Rate						
Workforce Readiness	Dropout Rate						
	Mean ACT						





## Action Planning Form for 2012-13 and 2013-14

Directions: Identify the major improvement strategy(s) for 2012-13 and 2013-14 that will address the root causes determined in Section III. For each major improvement strategy, identify the root cause(s) that the action steps will help to dissolve. Then, indicate which accountability provision or grant opportunity it will address. In the chart below, provide details about key action steps necessary to implement the major improvement strategy. Details should include the action steps that will be taken to implement the major improvement strategy, a general timeline, resources that will be used to implement the actions, and implementation benchmarks. Add rows in the chart, as needed. While space has been provided for three major improvement strategies, the school may add other major strategies, as needed.

Major Improvement Strategy #1: School Management: Continue the reorganization of the oversight and management structure within the school to provide greater, more effective support to educators and learners.

Root Cause(s) Addressed: There has not been a sense of shared accountability for student learning. Progress monitoring has not occurred on a regular basis and students who are struggling

have not been properly identified or receive research-based additional support and interventions. There is a need for continued systematic and intentional District leadership and support.
Accountability Provisions or Grant Opportunities Addressed by this Major Improvement Strategy (check all that apply):  X School Plan under State Accountability Title I Schoolwide or Targeted Assistance plan requirements Title I Focus School Plan requirements  Application for a Tiered Intervention Grant (TIG) Improvement Support Partnership (ISP) or School Improvement Grant
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Description of Action Steps to Implement the Major Improvement Strategy	Timeline	Key Personnel*	Resources (Amount and Source: federal, state, and/or local)	Implementation Benchmarks	Status of Action Step* (e.g., completed, in progress, not begun)
Restructure school leadership team (Academic Accountability Team - AAT) to include Rtl facilitators, Grade Level Team representatives from the Data Analysis Team, and representatives from the K8 planning team.	Fall 2012	Principal Classroom teachers and Interventionists representing District- level teams	None	School Leadership Team will be restructured by October 1, 2012.	Completed
Create Data Analysis Team and set up a monthly schedule for progress monitoring, reviewing student achievement data and adjusting instruction to include: SRI, Benchmarks, DRA2, and Galileo.	October 2012 – May 2014	Principal Academic Accountability Team	None	Team will be created by November 15, 2012.  Minutes of monthly Grade Level Team meetings will be kept and submitted to the principal and Data Analysis Team.  Collated school progress monitoring data and trend analysis report.	In-progress
Principal will meet with each teacher within the first six weeks of school to develop a plan with specific academic goals for each student scoring at the partially-proficient or	September 2012 – October 2012	Principal	None	Individual learning plans will be written for each student and sent home no later than	In-progress





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unsatisfactory level in reading or math.				October 1, 2012.	
Plans will be sent to parents with suggestions for home support. Parents will be asked to sign and return the plans.					
pidito.	September 2013- October 2013			Individual learning plans will be written for each student and sent home no later than October 1, 2013.	
Set up a schedule of monthly meetings, through-out year, with principal and each teacher to:	September 2012	Principal	None	Schedule will be established no later than September 30,	Completed Meetings in-progress
<ul> <li>Review student progress-monitoring data.</li> </ul>				2012.	
<ul> <li>Discuss plans and intervention options and revise instruction.</li> </ul>				Schedule will be established	
- Revise academic goals as necessary.	September 2013			no later than September 30, 2013.	
				Copies of plans and revisions will be on file in the principal's office.	
Principal and AAT, with input from staff, will plan professional development for teachers on a monthly basis, with a focus on:	September, 2012-May, 2014	Principal, AAT, Teachers	None	Evaluations of each professional development opportunity will indicate that	In-progress
- Progress-monitoring				participants felt that information was useful and	
<ul> <li>Research-based instructional strategies</li> <li>Effective practices with ELL, minority, and Free/Reduced lunch eligible students</li> </ul>				improved their skills in working with their students.	
<ul><li>Tier I reading instruction</li><li>Progress monitoring in math</li></ul>				Principal walk-throughs will document that research-	
- Other areas as identified				based instructional strategies are being implemented.	
Continue use of District Support Team with input from principal and area assistant superintendent to include representation from: area assistant superintendent, principal, members of school leadership team, District support staff.	August 2012 - May 2014	Principal, Area Assistant Superintendent	None	Documentation of Team Identification.	In-progress
Monthly Planning and Progress Review Meetings of District Support Team with Feedback and	August 2012 – May 2014	Principal, Area Assistant Superintendent	None	Completed template with results of District Support	In-progress





Recommendations to include Monthly Site Classroom Visits by District Support Team with Feedback and Recommendations				Team meetings – to include but not limited to walkthroughs and feedback, data analysis, change ideas, and planning.	
Communicate Results of Monthly Support Team Site Visits and Planning Meetings with Staff	August 2012 – May 2014	Principal and AAT	None	Completed template with results of District Support Team meetings.	In-progress
Collaboration with School Accountability Committee – tri- annual report	August 2012 – May 2014	Principal, Area Assistant Superintendent, School Accountability Committee Chairperson	None	Tri-annual reports and meeting minutes of School Accountability Committee (including parents).	In-progress
Review Building Capacity to Determine Adequate Infrastructure to Support School Improvement to include: infrastructure capacity, leadership capacity, instructional capacity of staff, and results	April 2012 – May 2014	Area Assistant Superintendent	None	Building Capacity Report shared with Superintendent and principal three times per year (September, January, May).	In-progress

<sup>\*</sup> Note: These two columns are not required to meet state or federal accountability requirements, although completion is recommended. "Status of Action Step" may be required for certain grants (e.g., Tiered Intervention Grant).





**Major Improvement Strategy #2:** Support learning needs of students, most represented in achievement and growth gaps, by providing: standardized instructional minutes in English instruction for bilingual students; sheltered instruction for all students, to include academic language and vocabulary development; and effective, motivational, and engaging instruction through staff understanding of ELL students, minority students, and students of poverty.

**Root Cause(s) Addressed:** There have been low expectations for minority students, ELL students and students impacted by poverty; with a lack of understanding on how to instruct, engage, and motivate these students. Limited exposure to English and English Language Development instruction, especially in our Primary Bilingual classrooms. Lack of sheltered instruction; including academic language and vocabulary development. There is almost no direct instruction of vocabulary other than that provided through the reading program.

Accountability Provisions or Grant Opportunities Addressed by this Major Improvement Strategy (check all that apply):								
X School Plan under State Accountability  Title I Schoolwide or Targeted Assistance Plan requirements	☐ Title I Focus School Plan requirements							
☐ Application for a Tiered Intervention Grant (TIG) ☐ Improvement Support Partner	rship (ISP) or School Improvement Grant							

	Description of Action Steps to Implement the Major Improvement Strategy	Timeline	Key Personnel*	Resources (Amount and Source: federal, state, and/or local)	Implementation Benchmarks	Status of Action Step* (e.g., completed, in progress, not begun)
•	Teachers in all classrooms will plan and deliver their instruction so as to align with the district's Bilingual Transitional Instruction Model (which is designed to standardize the instructional minutes of English instruction for bilingual and transitioning students).	August 2012 – May 2014	Principal, teachers	None	Principal walk-throughs will document that the model is being implemented as designed.	In-progress
•	Provide training to teachers in  Sheltered Instruction  Academic Language  Vocabulary Development  Under-resourced learners	August 2012 – May 2014	District personnel, principal, and school- level teacher-leaders	None – training will occur during contract time.	100% of teachers will have participated in the training.	In-progress
•	Monitor implementation of new training by teachers to ensure that strategies are effective in improving student achievement.	Sept 2012 – May 2014	District personnel, principal, and school- level teacher-leaders	None	Classroom walk-throughs will document that the training is being implemented in all classrooms.	In-progress





•	Administer teacher survey to measure teacher confidence and understandings of how to instruct, engage, and motivate ELL students, minority students, and students of poverty.	May 2013	Principal, AAT	None	100% of teachers will complete the survey administered in May.	Not Begun
•	Based on survey results, provide continued training to teachers in  Cultural, gender and socio-economic proficiency  Sheltered Instruction	Aug 2013- May 2014	District personnel, principal, and school- level teacher-leaders	None – training will occur during contract time.	100% of teachers will have participated in the training.	
•	Monitor implementation of new understandings by teachers	Sept 2013 – May 2014	District personnel, principal, and school- level teacher-leaders	None	Classroom walk-throughs will document that the training is being implemented in all classrooms.	
•	Research and plan for increased parent engagement to support student success especially for ELL and/or minority parents, and parents impacted by poverty.	Dec 2012 – May 2013	District personnel and trainers, K8 Planning Team	None	Report from team to school community March and May, 2013.	Not Begun
•	Develop K8 opening plan that will ensure increased parent engagement.					





Major Improvement Strategy #3: Provide standards-based, teaching/learning cycle reading programming that meets the learning needs of all students; including incoming kindergarten and students below grade level, to include: monitoring student progress through Grade Level Teams and Data Analysis Team using: DRA2 administered 3X a year (Aug, Dec, April) on every student, SRI administered 3X a year grades 3-5, DRA2 Progress Monitoring monthly for students below grade level, Running Records on unseen text and/or DIBELS every other week for students at risk; daily guided reading groups as part of Tier I classroom instruction; research-based support and intervention for Tier 2 and Tier 3 (students with disabilities) students; and augmented instructional school years.

Root Cause(s) Addressed: There has not been a sense of shared accountability for student learning. Progress monitoring has not occurred on a regular basis and students who are struggling have not been properly identified or receive research-based additional support and interventions. There has been inconsistent implementation of guided reading groups, as part of Tier I classroom instruction.

Accountability Provisions or Grant Opportunities Addressed by this Major Improvement Strategy (check all that apply):	
X School Plan under State Accountability  Title I Schoolwide or Targeted Assistance plan requirements	☐ Title I Focus School Plan requirements
☐ Application for a Tiered Intervention Grant (TIG) ☐ Improvement Support Partners	ship (ISP) or School Improvement Grant

Description of Action Steps to Implement the Major Improvement Strategy	Timeline	Key Personnel*	Resources (Amount and Source: federal, state, and/or local)	Implementation Benchmarks	Status of Action Step* (e.g., completed, in progress, not begun)
Create Data Analysis Team and set up a monthly schedule for progress monitoring, reviewing student achievement data and adjusting instruction to include: SRI, Benchmarks, DRA2, and DRA-progress monitoring.	October 2012 – May 2014	Principal AAT	None	Team will be created by November 15, 2012.  Minutes of monthly Grade Level Team meetings will be kept and submitted to the principal and Data Analysis Team.  Collated school progress monitoring data and trend analysis report.	In-progress
<ul> <li>Provide training in:         <ul> <li>Interpretation of SRI and DRA2 data for instructional planning and establishing intervention groups;</li> <li>Administration and interpretation of DRA progress-monitoring for instructional planning,</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	August 2012- February 2013	District personnel and school-level teacher-leaders.	None (training held during contract time).	100% of teachers in grades K-5 and special education and specialists will participate in the trainings.	In-progress





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	setting goals with students, and establishing intervention groups.					
•	Establish and follow a progress-monitoring schedule.	Sept 2012-May 2013, Sept 2013- May 2014	Principal, AAT	None	Schedule will be in place by September 15, 2012. Principal and AAT will verify that progress-monitoring schedule is followed.	In-progress
•	Administer, score, and disseminate results of DRA2 for entire school (K-5) for benchmarking (3 times yearly).	May 2012, August 2012, Dec 2012, May 2013	Teachers, Principal	None	Entire school will be benchmarked in DRA2, 3 times a year and classroom teachers will be using the information as part of their planning for students as discussed in monthly	In-progress
•	Discuss results of progress monitoring at monthly vertical team meetings and monthly individual teacher student-goals meetings with principal. Adjust instruction based on discussion.	Sept 2012-May 2013, Sept 2013- May 2014	Principal, AAT, Teachers	None	individual teacher student- goals meetings with principal.  Minutes of meetings will show that meetings were held, which students were discussed, and what adjustments in instruction and groups were made. Principal and AAT will review minutes on a monthly basis.	In-progress
•	Administer teacher survey at end of year to measure teacher confidence and comfort in interpreting SRI and DRA2 assessment data and using that data to identify students at-risk in reading, to plan instruction, and to establish intervention groups. The results of this survey will be used to guide PD efforts around progress-monitoring for SY 2013-2014.	May 2012	Principal, Academic Accountability Team	None	100% of teachers will complete the survey administered in May. The results of the survey will have been used to guide the PD efforts around progressmonitoring for SY 2013-2014.  Teacher survey administered in Sept., Jan.	



•	Revise intervention groups (size, program used, amount of time each day and frequency) based on data analysis and discussions of student needs, during collaboration.	Sept. 2012, Jan. 2013, May 2013 Sept. 2013, Jan. 2014, May 2014	Principal, Data Analysis Team, teachers	Substitutes provided so teachers and specialists can meet to revise groups (\$800/twice yearly, from building funds).	and May will show increased teacher confidence and comfort in interpreting Galileo, PALS, and DIBELS Next assessment data and using those data to identify students at-risk in reading and/or math, to plan instruction, and to establish intervention groups.  Intervention groups will be adjusted as necessary.	In-progress
•	Provide training in guided reading, using research- based strategies, for all classroom and intervention teachers.	August 2012 – May 2013	District personnel and school-level teacher-leaders	None, training during contract hours	100% of classroom and intervention teachers will participate in trainings.	In-progress
•	Every student (K-5), not at or above grade level, will receive small group reading instruction with classroom teacher daily.	Sept 2012 – May 2013	Classroom teachers	None	Principal walk-throughs will document that guided reading is occurring for every student, not at grade level or above, daily.	In-progress





•	Principal and District support team walkthroughs and observations, will document regularity and quality of guided reading lessons.  Administer teacher survey to measure teacher confidence and understanding of effective guided reading instruction, as part of quality Tier 1 reading instruction.	Sept 2012 – May 2013 May 2013	Principal, District personnel  Principal, AAT	None	100% of teachers will have been observed doing guided reading lessons and data collected on components observed. The results of the data collection will be used to guide the PD efforts and individual teacher growth goals around guided reading instruction for SY 2013-2014.	In-progress  Not begun
•	Tier 2 (students identified as needing intervention – as based on SRI, DRA2), or Tier 3 (students with disabilities) students will receive research-based support and intervention; in addition to regular classroom instruction. The intervention received will be based on student need and will utilize: Lindamood Bell, Lexia Reading, and/or Intervention by Design.	Aug 2012 – May 2013 Aug 2013 – May 2014	Classroom teachers, interventionists, principal, Certified Lindamood Bell teachers	Licenses for Lexia (local funds)  2 FTE for: Certified Lindamood Bell teachers (ECIS funding through IDEA)  Consumables for Lindamood Bell: \$500 yearly (local funds)	Documentation of interventions will be noted on each student's ILP or RTI form. Student progress monitored by principal and Data Analysis Team.	In-progress
•	50 below-grade-level students (1-5) will access augmented instructional school time through a 6-week Literacy program.	June-July 2013 June-July 2013	Teachers	Stipends: 5 teachers x 96 hours x \$25/hr = \$12,000	Documentation of student attendance, intervention programming, and progressmonitoring provided to school principal – August 2013, August 2014.	





Major Improvement Strategy #4: Provide standards-based, teaching/learning cycle mathematics programming that meets the learning needs of all students; including students below grade level, to include: monitoring student progress using Galileo Math (4 times yearly), District-adopted end-of unit math assessments, Grade Level team created progress monitoring (at least monthly); fidelity to implementation of district math curriculum; and research-based support and intervention for Tier 2 and Tier 3 students.

**Root Cause(s) Addressed:** There has not been a sense of shared accountability for student learning. Progress monitoring has not occurred on a regular basis and students who are struggling have not been properly identified or receive research-based additional support and interventions. There has been inconsistent implementation of district math curriculum.

Accountability Provisions or Grant Opportunities Addressed by this Major Improvement Strategy (check all that apply):	
X School Plan under State Accountability  Title I Schoolwide or Targeted Assistance plan requirements	☐ Title I Focus School Plan requirements
☐ Application for a Tiered Intervention Grant (TIG) ☐ Improvement Support Partner	ship (ISP) or School Improvement Grant

Description of Action Steps to Implement the Major Improvement Strategy	Timeline	Key Personnel*	Resources (Amount and Source: federal, state, and/or local)	Implementation Benchmarks	Status of Action Step* (e.g., completed, in progress, not begun)
<ul> <li>Provide training in:         <ul> <li>Interpretation of Galileo benchmark data for instructional planning and establishing intervention groups;</li> <li>Creating math progress-monitoring, to include fluency, for progress-monitoring, instructional planning, and establishing intervention groups.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	August 2012- March 2013	District personnel and school-level teacher-leaders	None	100% of teachers in grades K-5 and special education and specialists will participate in the trainings.	In-progress
<ul> <li>Establish and follow a progress-monitoring schedule.</li> <li>Discuss results of progress monitoring at monthly</li> </ul>	Sept 2012-May 2013, Sept 2013- May 2014	Principal, Academic Accountability Team	None	Schedule will be in place by September 15, 2011. Principal and AAT will verify that progress-monitoring schedule is followed.	Completed
Grade level team meetings and monthly individual teacher student goals meetings with principal. Adjust instruction based on discussion.	Sept 2012-May 2013, Sept 2013- May 2014	Principal, AAT, Teachers		Minutes of meetings will show that meetings were held, which students were discussed, and what adjustments in instruction.	In-progress





					and groups were made. Principal and AAT will review minutes on a monthly basis.	
•	Administer teacher survey at end of year to measure teacher confidence and comfort in interpreting Galileo assessment data and using that data to identify students at-risk in math, to plan instruction, and to establish intervention groups. The results of this survey will be used to guide PD efforts around progress-monitoring for SY 2013-2014.	May 2013	Principal, AAT	None	100% of teachers will complete the survey administered in May. The results of the survey will have been used to guide the PD efforts around progressmonitoring for SY 2013-2014.	Non begun
•	Based on teacher surveys, administered in May 2013, provide review training in:  Interpretation of Galileo data for instructional planning and establishing intervention groups;  Creation, administration, and interpretation of grade level team progress-monitoring tools for progress-monitoring, instructional planning, and establishing intervention groups for math.	Aug-October 2013	District personnel and school-level teacher-leaders		100% of teachers in grades K-5 and special education and specialists will participate in the trainings.	
•	Provide additional training in: Math Expressions progress monitoring for unit interventions.	Aug-Dec 2012	District personnel and school-level teacher-leaders	None	100% of interventionists will participate in the trainings.	
•	Revise intervention groups (size, program used, amount of time each day and frequency) based on data analysis and discussions of student needs.	Oct 2012-May 2013, Sept 2013- May 2014	Principal, AAT, teachers	None	Intervention groups will be adjusted as necessary.	In-progress
•	Provide training in implementation of new district math curriculum (Math Expressions) for Tier 1 classroom instruction, for all new teachers.	Aug 2012	District personnel and school-level teacher leaders		100% of teachers will participate in trainings.	Completed
•	Math Expressions will be implemented with fidelity in every classroom, everyday, for every student.	Aug 2012 – May	Principal, District personnel and school-	None	Principal walk-throughs will document that Math	In-progress





	2013 Aug 2013 – May 2014	level teacher leaders, teachers		Expressions is being implemented with fidelity in every classroom, every day, for every student.	
Tier 2 (students identified as needing intervention – as based on Galileo, Math Expressions), or Tier 3 (students with disabilities) students will receive research-based support and intervention; in addition to regular classroom instruction. The intervention received will be based on student need and will utilize: small group reteaching, Math Expressions interventions, Fastt Math.	Aug 2012 – May 2013 Aug 2013 – May 2014	Classroom teachers, interventionists, principal	None: training provided during contract time	Documentation of interventions will be noted on each student's ILP or RTI form. Student progress monitored by principal and Data Analysis Team.	In-progress
<ul> <li>Provide training in</li> <li>Small group reteaching</li> <li>Fastt Math</li> </ul>	Aug 2012 - ongoing	Lead teachers, classroom teachers, principal Principal, teachers, computer lab para- professional		100% of teachers delivering the interventions will have been trained and/or will be receiving ongoing support.	
Math Expressions interventions		District personnel and school-level teacher leaders			





# Section V: Appendices

Some districts/consortia will need to provide additional forms to document accountability or grant requirements:

- Title I Schoolwide Program (Required)
   Title I Targeted Assistance Program (Required)
   Additional Requirements for Turnaround Status Under State Accountability (Required)



# Colorado's Unified Improvement Plan for Schools for 2012-13

Organization Code: 0470 District Name: ST VRAIN VALLEY RE 1J School Code: 8140 School Name: SPANGLER ELEMENTARY SCHOOL SPF Year: 2012 Accountable by: 3 Year

## Section I: Summary Information about the School

**Directions:** This section summarizes your school's performance on the federal and state accountability measures in 2011-12. In the table below, CDE has pre-populated the school's data in blue text. This data shows the school's performance in meeting minimum federal and state accountability expectations as shared through the School Performance Framework (SPF) data. This summary should accompany your improvement plan.

Student Performance Measures for State and Federal Accountability

Performance Indicators	Measures/ Metrics		2011-12 Fe Ехре	deral and S ectations	State	2011-	·12 School I	Results	Meets Expectations?
			Elem	MS	HS	Elem	MS	HS	
Acadomio	science	R	72.05%	-	-	41.6%	-	1	Overall Rating for
Achievement		М	70.11%	-	-	39.79%	-	-	Academic Achievement:  Does Not Meet
(Status)		W	54.84%	-	-	31.79%	-	-	* Consult your School Performance Framework for the ratings for each
		S	45.36%	-	-	11.69%	-	-	content area at each level.
			Medi	an Adequate	SGP		Median SG	)	
	Median Student Growth Percentile  Description: Growth in TCAP/CSAP for reading,		Elem	MS	HS	Elem	MS	HS	Overall Rating for Academic Growth:
Academic	writing and math and growth in CELApro for English language proficiency	R	60	-	-	47	-	-	Approaching
Growth	Expectation: If district met adequate growth: then median SGP is at or above 45.	М	59	-	-	23	-	-	* Consult your School Performance
	If district did not meet adequate growth: then median	W	68	-	-	51	-	-	Framework for the ratings for each content area at each level.
	SGP is at or above 55.		39	-	-	45	-	-	contain a ca at odornovoi.





# Student Performance Measures for State and Federal Accountability (cont.)

Performance Indicators	Measures/ Metrics	2011-12 Federal and State Expectations  2011-12 School Results		Meets Exp	ectations?
Academic Growth Gaps	Median Student Growth Percentile  Description: Growth for reading, writing and math by disaggregated groups.  Expectation: If disaggregated groups met adequate growth, median SGP is at or above 45. If disaggregated groups did not meet adequate growth, median SGP is at or above 55.	See your school's performance frameworks for listing of median adequate growth expectations for your district's disaggregated groups, including free/reduced lunch eligible, minority students, students with disabilities, English Language Learners and students below proficient.	neworks for listing of median adequate with expectations for your district's aggregated groups, including freduced lunch eligible, minority lents, students with disabilities, lish Language Learners and students we proficient.  See your school's performance frameworks for listing of median growth by each disaggregated group.		or Growth Gaps: aching Performance ngs for each student t each content area
	Graduation Rate Expectation: at 80% or above on the most recent	At 80% or above	Best of 4-year through 7- year Grad Rate	-	
	4-year, 5-year, 6-year or 7-year graduation rate.	, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,	- using a - year grad rate		
Post Secondary/ Workforce	Disaggregated Graduation Rate Expectation: at 80% or above on the disaggregated group's most recent 4-year, 5-year, 6-year or 7-year graduation rate.	At 80% or above for each disaggregated group	See your school's performance frameworks for listing of 4-year, 5-year, 6-year and 7-year graduation rates for disaggregated groups, including free/reduced lunch eligible, minority students, students with disabilities, and English Language Learners.	1	Overall Rating for Post Secondary Readiness:
Readiness	Dropout Rate  Expectation: At or below State average overall.	-	-	1	reaumess.
	Mean ACT Composite Score Expectation: At or above State average	-	-	-	





Accountability Status and Requirements for Improvement Plan

Program	Identification Process Iden	ntification for School	Directions for Completing Improvement Plan						
State Accountability									
Preliminary Recommended Plan Type	Plan assigned based on school's overall school performance framework score (achievement, growth, growth gaps, postsecondary and workforce readiness)	Priority Improvement  – Entering Year 1 as of July 1, 2013.	Based on final results, the school has not met state expectations for attainment on the performance indicators and is required to adopt and implement a Priority Improvement Plan. The Plan must be submitted by January 15, 2013 to be reviewed by CDE. Refer to the UIP website for more detailed instructions on the plan submission process, as well as the Quality Criteria to ensure that all required elements are captured in the school's plan at http://www.cde.state.co.us/uip/UIP_TrainingAndSupport_Resources.asp.						
ESEA and Grant Accountab	ility								
Title I Formula Grant	Program's resources are allocated based upon the poverty rates of students enrolled in schools and districts and are designed to help ensure that all children meet challenging state academic standards.	Targeted Assistance Program	In addition to the general requirements, all schools operating a Title I Targeted Assistance program must complete the Targeted Assistance addendum. Schools identified under another program (e.g., state accountability) will need to submit a plan for review by CDE by January 15, 2013. All other Title I schools will submit their plan to CDE for posting on SchoolView.org by April 15, 2013. CDE may require a review of the school's UIP during a monitoring site visit or during a desk review.						
Title I Focus School	Title I school with a (1) low graduation rate (regardless of plan type), and/or (2) Turnaround or Priority Improvement plan type with either (or both) (a) low-achieving disaggregated student groups (i.e., minority, ELL, IEP and FRL) or (b) low disaggregated graduation rate. This is a three-year designation.	Identified as a Title I Focus School	In addition to the general requirements, Focus Schools must identify the performance challenges for the lowest achieving disaggregated student group(s). The plan must include a root cause(s) and associated action steps that address the performance challenge(s) for the disaggregated student group(s). The UIP must be approved before CDE will release 2013-14 Title IA funds to the LEA. Because the school's plan is required under state accountability to be submitted by January 15, CDE will review the plan for Title I purposes at that same time. For required elements in the improvement plans, go to the Quality Criteria at: http://www.cde.state.co.us/uip/UIP_TrainingAndSupport_Resources.asp.						
Tiered Intervention Grant (TIG)	Competitive grant (1003g) for schools identified as 5% of lowest performing Title I or Title I eligible schools to implement one of four reform models as defined by the USDE.	Not a TIG Awardee	This school does not receive a TIG grant and does not need to meet those additional requirements.						
Improvement Support Partnership (ISP) or Title I School Improvement Grant	Competitive Title I grant to support school improvement through a diagnostic review (i.e., facilitated data analysis, SST) or an implementation focus (i.e., Best First Instruction, Leadership, Climate and Culture).	Not a Title I School Improvement Grant Awardee	This school does not receive a School Improvement grant and does not need to meet those additional requirements.						





Section II: Improvement Plan Information
Directions: This section should be completed by the school or district.

# Additional Information about the School

Comprehensive Review and Selected Grant History							
Related Grant Awards	Has the school received a grant that supports the school's improvement efforts? When was the grant awarded?	Yes; February 2006					
School Support Team or Expedited Review	Has (or will) the school participated in an SST review or Expedited Review? When?	Yes; 2008-2009					
External Evaluator	Has the school partnered with an external evaluator to provide comprehensive evaluation? Indicate the year and the name of the provider/tool used.	no					

# Improvement Plan Information

The school is submitting this impro	ovement plan to satisfy requirements for (check all that apply):			
		le I Focus School	☐ Tiered Intervention Grant (TIG)	
☐ Implementation Support	: Partnership Grant (ISP) or Title I School Improvement Gran	nt 🔲 Oth	er:	

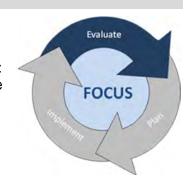
	School Contact Information (Additional contacts may be added, if needed)								
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	Phone	720-494-3761							
	Mailing Address	1440 Collyer Street, Longmont, CO 80501							





# Section III: Narrative on Data Analysis and Root Cause Identification

This section corresponds with the "evaluate" portion of the continuous improvement cycle. The main outcome is to construct a narrative that describes the process and results of the analysis of the data for your school. The analysis should justify the performance targets and actions proposed in section IV. Two worksheets have been provided to help organize your data analysis for your narrative. This analysis section includes: identifying where the school did not at least meet minimum state and federal accountability expectations, describing progress toward targets for the prior school year, describing what performance data were used in the analysis of trends, identifying trends and priority performance challenges (negative trends), describing how performance challenges were prioritized, identifying the root causes of performance challenges, describing how the root causes were identified and verified and what data were used, and describing stakeholder involvement in the analysis. Additional guidance on how to engage in the data analysis process is provided in Unified Improvement Planning Handbook.



## Worksheet #1: Progress Monitoring of Prior Year's Performance Targets

**Directions:** This chart supports analysis of progress made towards performance targets set for the 2011-12 school year (last year's plan). While this worksheet should be included in your UIP, **the main intent is to record your school's reflections to help build your data narrative.** 

Performance Indicators	Targets for 2011-12 school year (Targets set in last year's plan)	Performance in 2011-12? Was the target met? How close was school in meeting the target?	Brief reflection on why previous targets were met or not met.
Academic Achievement (Status)	By the end of the 2011-2012 school year, 54% of the students will score proficient or advanced overall on the reading TCAP.	The reading Academic Achievement target was not met. 41.6% students scored proficient or advanced on the reading TCAP. The difference between goal and actual performance was 12.4%.	Staff did not have the collaboration time to meet with their own grade level and especially in vertical teams to plan for instruction.
Academic Growth	By the end of the 2011-2012 school year, the median student growth percentile in math will be 55.	The math Academic Growth target was not met. The student growth percentile in math for 2011-2012 was 23.	Observations of teachers in other schools did not start occurring until March, which did not allow enough time to make a difference in achievement.
Academic Growth Gaps	By the end of the 2011-2012 school year, ELL's will achieve a median growth percentile of 55 in math.	The math Academic Growth Gap target was not met for ELL students. The subgroup median growth percentile for ELL students in 2011-2012 was 22. The difference between the goal and the actual target was 33.	It took a while for the feedback teachers were receiving from walk through observations to actually start changing their practice in the classroom.
Post Secondary Readiness	n/a	n/a	There was a lack of clear focus on which tier one strategy we were looking at that teachers could





Performance Indicators	Targets for 2011-12 school year (Targets set in last year's plan)	Performance in 2011-12? Was the target met? How close was school in meeting the target?	Brief reflection on why previous targets were met or not met.
			use throughout the year. The focus would change each month depending on the walk through data.



## Worksheet #2: Data Analysis

Directions: This chart supports planning teams in recording and organizing observations about school-level data in preparation for writing the required data narrative. Planning teams should describe positive and negative trends for all of the four performance indicators using at least three years of data and then prioritize the performance challenges (based on notable trends) that the school will focus its efforts on improving. The root cause analysis and improvement planning efforts in the remainder of the plan should be aimed at addressing the identified priority performance challenges is recommended (no more than 3-5); a performance challenge may apply to multiple performance indicators. At a minimum, priority performance challenges must be identified in any of the four performance indicator areas where minimum state and federal expectations were not met for accountability purposes. Furthermore, schools are encouraged to consider observations recorded in the "last year's targets" worksheet. Finally, provide a brief description of the root cause analysis for any priority performance challenges. You may add rows, as needed.

Performance Indicators			of Notable Tre t state and loc		Priority Performance Challenges	Root Causes
	Reading CS	SAP % Profic	cient and Adva	anced	For the past three	
		2010	2011	2012	years, the percent of students scoring	
	3 <sup>rd</sup> English	45	38	29	proficient or advanced	There is insufficient explicit instruction in academic language
	3 <sup>rd</sup> Spanish	80	90	88	in reading TCAP in grades 3-5 has	needed to access items on the test items.
	4 <sup>th</sup>	31	16	20	remained flat with 35%	In IC 2, there is incufficient instruction in Finalish to make a
	5 <sup>th</sup>	33	44	19	in 2010, 31% in 2011 and 34% in 2012.	In K-3, there is insufficient instruction in English to make a smooth transition from Spanish to English instruction.
	overall	35	31	34	which is well below the	
Academic Achievement (Status)	Reading TCA subscore perf		ent & Advance	– fiction & Poetry	state expectation of 72%.	There is not intentional grouping of ELL students to enable differentiation of content has lacking.
		2010	2011	2012		There is lack of explicit instruction in test taking skills.
	3 <sup>rd</sup> English	48	42	29		There is an insufficient understanding of what proficiency
	4th	18	39	15		looks like in order to hold high expectations for students.
	5th	46	37	27		<u> </u>
		on the Englis	sh reading TC	scored proficient AP declined from 2012 which is		There is inconsistent tier 1 instruction in reading.





Performance Indicators			of Notable Trei state and loca		Priority Performance Challenges	Root Causes
	(3	years or past	State and 100a	ai uala)	Challenges	
	well below the	e minimum st	ate expectatio	n.		}
	advanced in	3 <sup>rd</sup> grade on tatively stable		oroficient or ading TCAP has 0, 90% in 2011		
	or advanced	on the readin in from 31% i	cudents who so g TCAP has s n 2010 to 16%			
	or advanced	in fiction and	poetry on the	cored proficient reading TCAP in 2011 to 27%		
	or advanced	on the readin 2012 from 48	g TCAP drama	cored proficient atically d 46% in 2011		
	Math CSAP	% Proficient	and Advanced	d	n/a	n/a
		2010	2011	2012		
	3rd     59     58     25       4th     44     39     30       5th     28     46     23					
	overall	44%	42%	26%		<b>\{</b>
	The percenta	ge of 3 <sup>rd</sup> grad	le students sc	oring proficient		





Performance Indicators			f Notable Tren state and local		Priority Performance Challenges	Root Causes
	or advanced of dramatically in down to 25%	n 2012 from 5				
	or advanced of	on the TCAP i	n math has de	ring proficient ecreased for the 2011 to 30% in		
	or advanced of	on the TCAP i	n math has flu	ring proficient actuated for the 2011 to 23% in		
	Overall, the poin math decre 2010 to 42% i	ased dramation	cally in 2012 fi	advanced kids rom 44% in		
	Writing CSA	AP % Proficier	nt and Advanc	ed	n/a	n/a
		2010	2011	2012		}
	3 <sup>rd</sup> English	26	24	13		
	3 <sup>rd</sup> Spanish	67	82	78		
	4 <sup>th</sup>	7	14	10		}
	5 <sup>th</sup>	20	44	21		
	Overall	17	28	28		





Performance Indicators	(3		of Notable Tre t state and loc		Priority Performance Challenges	Root Causes
	the writing To high at 67% 4th grade stur and advance in 2010, 14% The amount advanced in points over the 2011 and 21 Overall, writing 2011 from 17	CAP in Span in 2010 to 82 dents fluctuard in writing for in 2011 and of 5th grade swriting has flucture past 3 years in 2012 and TCAP secretary in 2010 to 201	ish have score % in 2011 to 7 ted between 7 or the past thre 1 10% in 2012 students scorir uctuated over ars with 20% ir	r-14% proficient ee years with 7% ng proficient or 20 percentage n 2010, 44% in veen 2010 and and 2012. This is		
Academic Growth	4th 5th ELL males  ELL students the overall po	opulation of some some and the grade regarders the past the	2011 27 69 70 57 stently made metudents on the	2012 21 45 54 33 hore growth than e reading TCAP has been 137 in 2010 to 27	n/a	n/a





Performance Indicators	(3		of Notable Tre t state and loca		Priority Performance Challenges	Root Causes
	decline in 20 The growth	on 12 to 45 from the sercentile for decline from				
	Math Medi	ian Growth P	ercentile		In the past year,	Inconsistent tier 1 math instruction
		2010	2011	2012	growth in math has sharply declined in 4 <sup>th</sup>	
	4 <sup>th</sup>	20	47	5	grade to 5 and to 7 among the ELL	Lack of math interventions to meet students needs and gaps in their learning
	5 <sup>th</sup>	15	37	23	population (75.4% of	
	ELL	20	46	7	students) which is well below the state	Low expectations for English language learners as well as students on free and reduced lunch
	female	20	48	14	expectation of 59	students on free and reduced lunch
	male	22	47	11		There is an insufficient understanding of what proficiency
	overall	20	48	11		looks like in order to hold high expectations for students.
	math has de 2011 Overall, the declined fror 2012	clined sharply median growin 20 in 2010	y to 5 from 20 i th percentile in to 48 in 2011 c			Lack of instruction focusing on in-depth understanding of mathematics with more of a focus on memorization of isolated facts and algorithms instead of developing number sense in students  Lack of diagnostic math assessments in order to determine student's needs and strengths





Performance Indicators	(3		of Notable Tre t state and loc		Priority Performance Challenges	Root Causes
	There was r	no noticeable between fema				
	Writing Me	edian Growth	Percentile		n/a	n/a
		2010	2011	2012		
	4 <sup>th</sup>	22	21	15		
	5 <sup>th</sup>	43	74	64		
	ELL	41	70	54		
	males	17	69	57		
	overall	37	67	50		
	Median grovexceed state of 43 in 201	wth scores ha e expectation 0, 74 in 2011	10 and 21 in 20 as continued to s in 5 <sup>th</sup> grade v and 64 in 201	be meet or writing with scores 2		
	state expectin 2012 from	tations for two n a low of 17 i	years with 69 in 2010	been at or near in 2011 and 57		
			has been increased tations of 68 w	easing and ith 37 in 2010, 67		





Performance Indicators	Description of Notable Trends (3 years of past state and local data)				Priority Performance Challenges	Root Causes	
	in 2011 and 50 in 2012						
	Reading Grov	wth Gaps ir	Percentile		n/a	n/a	
		2010	2011	2012			
	Minority/non	52/-	54/-	39/-			
	FRL/Non	51/-	50/-	36/-			
	IEP/Non	-/52	-/51	-/38			
	ELL/Non	54/46	70/24	39/-			
	Girls/Boys	49/52	47/57	40/34			
Academic Growth Gaps	Boys were out percentile until  No median ground growth gap per	2012 when wth targets	girls surpass were met in 2	ed boys 40/34 2012 with all			
	Math Growth	Gaps in Pe	rcentile		In the past year, the	Inconsistent tier 1 math instruction	
		2010	2011	2012	ELL median growth percentile (75.4% of	Look of moth interventions to most students made and and	
	Minority/non	20/-	44/-	11/-	students) compared to	Lack of math interventions to meet students needs and gaps in their learning	
	FRL/Non	20/-	47/-	14/-	the non-ELL growth percentile math shows	<b>\</b>	
	IEP/Non	-/20	-/47	-/14	a significant growth gap of 20 percentile	Low expectations for English language learners as well as students on free and reduced lunch	





Performance Indicators	Description of Notable Trends (3 years of past state and local data)				Priority Performance Challenges	Root Causes	
	ELL/Non	16/23	43/52	7/27	points. The performance of ELL		
	Girls/Boys	18/22	48/44	15/11	students is well below	There is an insufficient understanding of what proficiency looks like in order to hold high expectations for students	
	No subgroup or well below 50  None of the subgrowth percenti  ELL performance sharply from 16  Girls are slightly	ogroups met le ce based on in 2010, 43	their median a percentile ha in 2011 down	adequate s declined to 7 in 2012	state expectations of a median growth percentile of 58	Lack of instruction focusing on in-depth understanding of mathematics with more of a focus on memorization of isolat facts and algorithms instead of developing number sense in students  Lack of diagnostic math assessments in order to determine student's needs and strengths	
	Writing Growth	h Gaps in Pe	ercentile		n/a	n/a	
		2010	2011	2012	1		
	Minority/non	38/-	69/-	53/-	]		
	FRL/Non	37/-	67/-	51/-	]	{	
	IEP/Non	-/40	-/67	-/55			
	ELL/Non	38/25	71/39	55/-			
	Girls/Boys	43/17	66/69	48/64			
	In 2012, all subgroups outperformed the state except girls in writing						





Performance Indicators	Description of Notable Trends (3 years of past state and local data)	Priority Performance Challenges	Root Causes
	English Language learners met the median adequate growth percentile in 2012.		
	Boys are outperforming girls 48/64 in writing.		
Post Secondary & Workforce Readiness	n/a	n/a	n/a



#### **Data Narrative for School**

**Directions:** Building on the data organized in Worksheet #1 and Worksheet #2, describe the process and results of the data analysis for the school, including review of prior years' targets, trends, priority performance challenges and root cause analysis. The narrative should address each aspect of the descriptions below. The narrative should not take more than five pages.

#### **Data Narrative for School**

#### Narrative:

#### **Description of School**

Spangler Elementary is a PK-5 elementary school in the St Vrain Valley School District. It is located on the eastern side of Longmont, CO. Spangler current has an 88% minority population, with 91% of its students receiving free or reduced lunch. The school has 2 rounds of kindergarten (1 bilingual), 3 round of 1-3 grade (2 bilingual classrooms at each grade and one English. 2 rounds of fourth grade and two rounds of 5th grade. Additionally, 75.4% of Spangler students qualify for ELL services. Spangler Elementary School will be closing at the end of the 2012-2013 school year.

#### **UIP Process**

The UIP at Spangler Elementary was a collaborative effort. First, the entire staff met to work on trends and root causes. The data analysis at Spangler elementary consisted of two main steps of data driven dialogue conducted by all staff members and then refinement through the leadership team of the school. First, the whole staff looked at TCAP data as well as district level assessments to identify trends in order to start to refine our focus. The trend data was placed in a document and shared. Once the trends were identified, the staff was able to clearly identify priority performance challenge areas to focus on. Reading has been stagnant and well below state expectations. Math achievement saw a significant decline in growth in all grade levels and especially with ELL learners. Root causes were then discussed in small groups and shared with the whole staff for agreement. Once these were developed, the leadership team, consisting of representative team members determined priority improvement challenges and presented them to the entire staff. The staff brainstormed and used root causes to create the major improvement strategy. Key input was then received from leadership and the school's accountability team, including parents, to create action plan items that would help us meet our priority improvement challenges over the coming year.

#### **Current Performance**

The following information is a summary of current performance at Spangler Elementary based on the 3 year school performance framework.

#### **Academic Achievement**

Does Not Meet Expectations

Reading 41.6% Proficient or Advanced

Mathematics 39.8% Proficient or Advanced

Writing 31.8% Proficient or Advanced Science 11.7% Proficient or Advanced

As the data shows, Spangler Elementary did not meet expectations in all four subject areas. The staff at Spangler Elementary chose to focus on reading for academic achievement because of the stagnant nature of the percentage of proficient and advanced over the past three years. Additionally, reading has been a focus for Spangler and this caused concern with a Title One reading



program in place and many students not meeting expectations. Based on one year data (2012), only 35% of students are proficient or advanced in reading, which affects 65% of our student population as reading is the foundation for other subject areas. The staff felt that working on a priority improvement challenge in reading would have a positive impact on all other subjects as well as better prepare our students for the rigors of instruction.

## Academic Growth (median growth percentile/median adequate growth percentile)

Meets Expectations

English Language Proficiency 45/39

Approaching Expectations

Reading 47/60

Writing 51/68

Does Not Meet Expectations

Mathematics 23/59

Mathematics is the only area where Spangler Elementary does not meet expectations in academic growth. Therefore, staff at Spangler chose to focus on improving math growth for all of our students in our priority improvement challenge. The decision to create a challenge in math was also made because of the large gap between the actual academic growth and the expectation, which is a 36 percentile difference.

#### Academic Growth Gaps (subgroup median growth percentile/subgroup median adequate growth percentile)

#### Reading

Approaching Expectations

Free and reduced Lunch Eligible 47/60

Minority Students 47/60

Students With Disabilities 40/84

English Learners 53/65

Students needing to catch up 48/70

#### Mathematics

Does not Meet Expectations

Free and reduced Lunch Eligible 23/59

Minority Students 23/59

Students With Disabilities 24/84

English Learners 22/58

Students needing to catch up 31/77

#### Writing

Meets Expectations

Minority Students 55/68

English Learners 60/70

Approaching Expectations



Free/Reduced Lunch Eligible 50/68

Students Needing to Catch Up 51/74

Does Not Meet Expectations

Students with disabilities 33/84

After looking at both the one year and three year data for academic growth gaps, the staff at Spangler chose to write a goal for English Learners in math. Based on one year data, there is an academic growth gap of 20 percentile points with ELL students having 7 percentile points and non-ELL students having 27 percentile points. This is significant for Spangler because 75.4% of Spangler's population is ELL. Helping to lower the gap between the two subgroups could make a significant impact on achievement as well as growth scores in addition to helping the growth gap that exists.

In summary, there are many areas that Spangler did not meet expectations on. While the challenges Spangler faces are great, the staff feels that the priority improvement challenges that were chosen from data analysis will facilitate the success of the goals set.

#### **Targeted Assistance Plan:**

We are identified as a Targeted Assistance program with a reading focus. Supplementary literacy instruction and intentional literacy intervention are the focus components of Title I programming. All elementary students are assessed in literacy upon entry into a school or in an identified time frame for testing new students using the following assessments:

- •PALS Spring Grades K-3 (Fall for incoming Kindergarten students)
- •DRA 2 Fall, Winter, Spring Title I students progress monitoring or students graduating from services
- •EDL for bilingual students K-3 Fall, Spring and progress monitoring
- •DIBELS Fall Grade 2 and progress monitoring for others needing fluency intervention
- •SRI online assessment Grades 3-5- Fall , Winter, Spring
- •CSAP Spring Grades 3-5
- •Galileo Reading Grades 1-5 Fall, Winter, Spring
- •Rigby Benchmark assessments using Fountas and Pinnell levels K-5 progress monitoring
- •Rigby theme tests every two weeks to assess growth on skills taught in the Rigby lesson

Scores on these assessments are rank-ordered, relative to grade-level proficiency criteria to identify students most in need of additional support to ensure grade level or better reading success. Banding charts are created based on student scores on the above assessments identifying categories of students. Students are selected for Title I services beginning with Band One. Title I teachers are to serve Band One then Band Two students based on availability of slots. Literacy plans are developed with parents at conferences with building administrators overseeing this process. Spangler seeks continuous improvement in its intervention models and services and has implemented a scientifically research based core curriculum for all elementary students with an Rtl plan in place to support those students needing reading intervention. Tier I core instruction is a focus with a school identified Tier I core instruction best practices model in place.

Classroom teachers and Title I reading teachers work collaboratively to support readers first by including them in the district adopted core curriculum called Literacy by Design. Classroom teacher and literacy teacher analysis of the student data occurs collaboratively and intentionally. Title I Literacy teachers intervene with identified Band One and then Band Two students providing a focused and intentional second instructional dip using the progress monitoring data and ongoing assessment data. The intentional use of a body of evidence also includes weekly running record, benchmark assessments that align with the core curriculum, Fountas and Pinnell reading levels, and online reading assessment (SRI). The Literacy Lab model fosters collaboration among classroom teachers, literacy teachers, special education teachers, special education teachers, special education teachers.





Highly Qualified literacy teachers intervene using research based intervention strategies which focus on the five components of literacy with identification of individual student need using spring, fall, and winter assessment data. Data is analyzed using the data driven dialogue process. All literacy teachers have been trained to use this process at monthly literacy seminars that provide ongoing professional development with a focus on data and intervention in the five components of reading. An additional focus has been the inclusion of intentional language development for all students in Title I literacy lab. This focused and intentional intervention is implemented based on current research that identifies the need for language learning for all students of poverty.

The Literacy Lab intervention team goal is to accelerate the student achievement of low-performing students in literacy through intensive, research-based interventions to include Right Start, Intervention by Design (Intervention program that aligns with core district wide curriculum programming), PRINT (phonics based intervention program), Word Forward, (Vocabulary intervention), Read180, Systems 44, and Lexia.. Also, Phonics kits from Steck Vaughn called Elements of Phonics have been purchased for each Title I school to support improved phonics intervention. Literacy Coaches have trained Title I literacy teachers to use interventions based on the five components of reading. Identified students in need based on reading assessment data, receive daily supplemental Literacy instruction from a highly qualified literacy teacher during the school day or after school in addition to and in collaboration with classroom instruction based on a schedule that supports regular classroom instruction for each student.

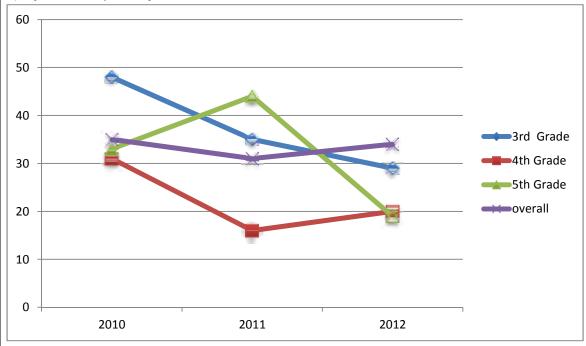


## **Trend Analysis**

## Academic Achievement Trend Data

When Spangler staff looked at overall academic achievement, one notable trend arose: reading achievement has not improved or has declined over the past three years despite efforts to increase achievement.

## Spangler Elementary Reading Achievement- Percent Proficient and Advanced 2010-2012

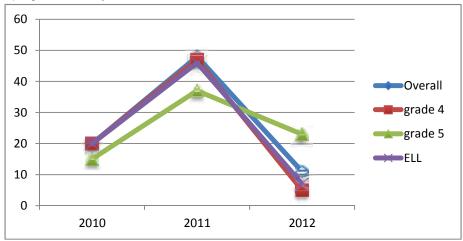




#### Median Growth Percentile Trend Data

The Spangler staff saw that students had a significant decline in growth in math over the past three years. The decline was especially evident for ELL students, which constitute a large majority of Spangler's population (75.4%). The current levels of growth are well below the state expectation of 58 as well. Because of this trend, we made math median growth percentile a priority improvement challenge.

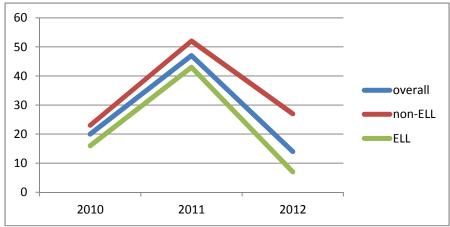
Spangler Elementary-Median Growth Percentiles in Math 2010-2012



#### Academic growth gap trend data

This graph shows the trend data the staff saw in ELL math growth vs. non-ELL growth and caused the staff to choose ELL students in math for our priority performance challenge. It was very clear to staff that there was a significant gap between math growth in Ell students as opposed to non-ELL students.

3year Trends Mathematics growth percentiles – ELL vs. Non-ELL at Spangler Elementary





#### **Priority Improvement Challenges**

Based on detailed analysis of trends in data, three priority performance challenges were created:

#### Academic Achievement:

For the past three years, the percent of students scoring proficient or advanced in reading TCAP in grades 3-5 has remained flat with 35% in 2010, 31% in 2011 and 34% in 2012, which is well below the state expectation of 72%.

This challenge was created because of the stagnant scores in reading the staff had seen for the past three years and the level of difference between the flat scores for the past three years and the state expectation of 72%. Reading has been a focus in the past and the staff felt that it was time to try a new action plan to improve scores in this area and move closer to state expectations.

# Median Growth Percentile:

In the past year, growth in math has sharply declined in 4th grade to 5 and to 7 among the ELL population (75.4% of students) which is well below the state expectation of 59.

The staff at Spangler Elementary chose math as our focus area for increasing median growth percentile because of the large drop in growth scores, specifically in 4th grade and among the ELL population at Spangler. The growth percentile fell way below state expectations and it was a priority that students make more growth in math.

#### Academic Growth Gaps

In the past year, the ELL (75.4% of students) median growth percentile compared to the non-ELL growth percentile math shows a significant growth gap of 20 percentile points. The performance of ELL students is well below state expectations of a median growth percentile of 58.

The need for an academic growth gap priority challenge was very evident when staff looked at data that showed the difference in growth between ELL and non-ELL students at Spangler Elementary. There was a 20 percentile difference among these groups. The need for high growth among ELL students is a significant challenge the staff at Spangler is facing and therefore, a priority performance challenge was created.

#### Root Causes:

We had multiple meetings with teachers and staff to review data in the areas of reading, writing and math in order to complete our root cause analysis. We looked for trends in the areas of reading and math, discussed interventions or support provided to low performing students and ELL strategies used on a consistent basis. Our analysis led us to identify the following root causes:

- 1. There is insufficient explicit instruction in academic language needed to access items on the test items.
- 2. In K-3, there is insufficient instruction in English to make a smooth transition from Spanish to English instruction.
- 3. Intentional grouping of ELL students to enable differentiation of content has lacking.
- 4. There is lack of explicit instruction in test taking skills.
- 5. There is an insufficient understanding of what proficiency looks like in order to hold high expectations for students.
- 6. There is inconsistent tier 1 instruction in reading.
- 7. There is inconsistent tier 1 math instruction.



- 8. There is a lack of math interventions to meet students needs and gaps in their learning.
- 9. There are low expectations for English language learners as well as students on free and reduced lunch.
- 10. There is a lack of instruction focusing on in-depth understanding of mathematics with more of a focus on memorization of isolated facts and algorithms instead of developing number sense in students.
- 11. There is a lack of diagnostic math assessments in order to determine student's needs and strengths.

#### **Verification of Root Cause:**

Utilizing collaborative tools from Bruce Wellman's, <u>Data-Driven Dialogue</u> and the 5 Whys root cause protocol, our staff examined instructional practices and student learning in greater detail. Additional data driven meetings were held throughout the year. Monthly walk throughs provided information on trends and instructional practices in the building. It included a team of teachers and administrator and served as an additional tool for teachers to come to root cause.

Additionally, the root causes were verified by looking at other district assessment measures. In reading, We looked at PALS, SRI and DRA2 data from the end of the 2011-2012 school year and it mirrored the data we were seeing from TCAP, confirming that reading achievement was indeed not growing at a pace that was acceptable to the staff. It also showed us what specific strategies students were not proficient at, including writing summaries, retelling a story and fluency.

Mathematics data was gathered on our students based on the Galileo end of year math assessment at all grade levels and gave us specific information on which standards our students were not perform. This helped us to see specific strategies our students were missing. The information we analyzed helped us confirm our root causes around mathematics

Staff was given a self-evaluation of tier one strategies and it was determined by the leadership team that several tier one strategies would need to be emphasized in professional development including the use of exemplars to model proficiency, allowing interaction among students to promote language development, and how to use differentiation to meet the needs of students who are not proficient and need extra support. This data was then shared with other Title One schools is the district to create a checklist for use on walk through and observations.





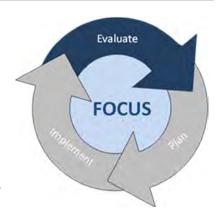
## Section IV: Action Plan(s)

This section addresses the "plan" portion of the continuous improvement cycle. First, you will identify your annual performance targets and the interim measures. This will be documented in the required School Target Setting Form below. Then you will move into action planning, which should be captured in the Action Planning Form.

# **School Target Setting Form**

**Directions:** Complete the worksheet below. While schools may set targets for all performance indicators, at a minimum, they must set targets for those priority performance challenges identified in Section III (e.g., by disaggregated student groups, grade levels, subject areas).

Schools are expected to set their own annual targets for academic achievement, academic growth, academic growth gaps and postsecondary and workforce readiness. At a minimum, schools should set targets for each of the performance indicators where state expectations are not met – in each area where a priority performance challenge was identified; targets should also be connected to prioritized performance challenges. Consider last year's targets (see Worksheet #1) and whether adjustments need to be made. For each annual performance target, identify interim measures that will be used to monitor progress toward the annual targets at least quarterly during the school year.







**School Target Setting Form** 

Performance		a f; a a	Priority Performance	Annual Perfor	mance Targets	Interim Measures for	Major Improvement
Indicators	Measures/ Metrics		Challenges	2012-13	2013-14	2012-13	Strategy
Academic Achievement (Status)	TCAP/CSAP, CoAlt/CSAPA , Lectura, Escritura	R	For the past three years, the percent of students scoring proficient or advanced in reading in grades 3-5 has remained flat with 35% in 2010, 31% in 2011 and 34% in 2012, which is well below the state expectation of 72%	By the end of the 2012- 13 school year, 48% of the students will score proficient or advanced overall on the reading TCAP	School closing	Galileo administered 3 x per year- % scoring at 50th percentile or higher SRI administered 3 x per year (3rd grade-5th grade)-% of students on grade level increasing at a pace that matches end of year target Rigby Theme Tests administered every 2 weeks-students increasing scoring proficient based on curriculum benchmark DRA/ELD2 3 x per year-% of students on grade level increasing at a pace that matches end of year target Running Records- 1x a week showing students making progress towards end of year goals	Major Improvement Strategy #1  Improve reading and math achievement for all students through consistent implementation of Tier One Instructional Strategies including differentiation and use of formative assessment data  Major Improvement Strategy #2  Improve reading and math achievement for all students with a focus on the achievement of ELL students (75.4% of student population) by increasing English instruction through implementation of sheltered instructional strategies (SIOP) and increased instructional time in English
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Academic Growth	Median Student Growth Percentile (TCAP/CSAP & CELApro)	M W ELP	In the past year, growth in math has sharply declined in 4th grade to 5 and to 7 among the ELL population (75.4% of student population) which is well below the state expectation of 59	By the end of the 2012- 13 school year, the median student growth percentile in math will be 35 overall and 40 for ELL's	School Closing	Math end of unit assessments- every 5-6 weeks; % of kids scoring proficient on test as determined by percentages	Major Improvement Strategy #1 Improve reading and math achievement for all students through consistent implementation of Tier One Instructional Strategies including differentiation and use of formative assessment data  Major Improvement Strategy #2 Improve reading and math achievement for all students with a focus on the achievement of ELL students (75.4% of student population) by increasing English instruction through implementation of sheltered instructional strategies (SIOP) and increased instructional time in English
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Academic Growth Gaps	Median Student Growth Percentile	M	In the past year, the ELL median growth percentile (75.4% of student population) compared to the non-ELL growth percentile math shows a significant growth gap of 20 percentile points. The performance of ELL students is well below state expectations of a median growth percentile of 58	By the end of the 2012-2013 school year, ELL students will have a growth percentile within 5 percentile points of non-ELL students and will rise to 30	School closing	Math end of unit assessments- every 5-6 weeks; % of kids scoring proficient on test as determined by percentages	Major Improvement Strategy #1 Improve reading and math achievement for all students through consistent implementation of Tier One Instructional Strategies including differentiation and use of formative assessment data  Major Improvement Strategy #2 Improve reading and math achievement for all students with a focus on the achievement of ELL students (75.4% of student population) by increasing English instruction through implementation of sheltered instructional strategies (SIOP) and increased instructional time in English
	Graduation Rate	)					
Post Secondary & Workforce	& Disaggregated Grad Rate						
Readiness							
	Mean ACT						



#### Action Planning Form for 2012-13 and 2013-14

Directions: Identify the major improvement strategy(s) for 2012-13 and 2013-14 that will address the root causes determined in Section III. For each major improvement strategy, identify the root cause(s) that the action steps will help to dissolve. Then, indicate which accountability provision or grant opportunity it will address. In the chart below, provide details about key action steps necessary to implement the major improvement strategy. Details should include the action steps that will be taken to implement the major improvement strategy, a general timeline, resources that will be used to implement the actions, and implementation benchmarks. Add rows in the chart, as needed. While space has been provided for three major improvement strategies, the school may add other major strategies, as needed.

#### **Major Improvement Strategy #1:**

Improve reading and math achievement for all students through consistent implementation of Tier One Instructional Strategies including differentiation and use of formative assessment data.

Root Cause(s) Addressed: There is insufficient explicit instruction in academic language needed to access items on the test items, Intentional grouping of ELL students to enable differentiation of content is lacking; There is lack of explicit instruction in test taking skills; There is an insufficient understanding of what proficiency looks like in order to hold high expectations for students; Inconsistent tier 1 instruction in reading

# Accountability Provisions or Grant Opportunities Addressed by this Major Improvement Strategy (check all that apply):

X School Plan under State Accountability	X Title I Schoolwide or Targeted	<b>CD</b> ,	X Title I Focus School Plan requirements
☐ Application for	a Tiered Intervention Grant (TIG)	☐ Improvement Support Partner	ship (ISP) or School Improvement Grant

Description of Action Steps to Implement the Major Improvement Strategy	<b>Timeline</b> (2012-13 and 2013-2014)	Key Personnel*	Resources (Amount and Source: federal, state, and/or local)	Implementation Benchmarks	Status of Action Step* (e.g., completed, in progress, not begun)
<ul> <li>10 school district tier 1 strategies will be chosen to focus on for the academic school year</li> <li>Get feedback from leadership teams and grade levels</li> <li>Title One principal meeting to come to consensus on final 10</li> <li>Roll out to staff with self evaluation on the ten focus areas</li> </ul>	October 2012	Principal, dean, leadership teams, district title one principals		Leadership Team agendas In-service and staff meeting agendas Title One walk through document	completed
Teams of teachers and administrators will walk through all classrooms one day a month looking for evidence of specific Tier One instructional strategies being implemented in all classrooms.  • Develop schedule & order substitutes	August 2012- May 2013	Leadership team Teachers administration	Title One collaboration funds to cover subs	Walk through schedule for year Walk through feedback notes Leadership agendas	In progress



Debrief findings with leadership each month     Develop professional development based on findings and Tier One document  Teachers will collaborate vertically to create K-5 continuum of achievement expectations that match district and state.	November 2012-May 2013	Classroom teachers administration	n/a	In-service and staff meeting agendas  Weekly team collaboration minutes In-service and staff	In progress
Teachers will visit other classrooms in district to further their development of their understanding of proficiency for the grade level they teach  Visits scheduled based on action plan needs through professional development  Teachers report back to staff on findings during monthly in-service time	September 2012-May 2013	Classroom teachers district professional development department administration	Title One collaboration dollars to fund substitutes	meeting agendas  Visitation schedules In-service and staff meeting agendas	In progress
Teachers will develop proficiency levels for all interim assessments to be used to progress monitor students in a standardized way  • Staff reviews interim assessments from math expressions  • Consensus is sought for proficiency levels  • Staff work time to help create inter-rater reliability	December 2012-May 2013	Classroom teachers administration	n/a	In-service and staff meeting agendas and handouts Weekly team collaboration minutes	Not begun
Team collaboration time will be built into the school day to provide time to meet and discuss student achievement data and progress  • Schedule is created  • Administration visits collaboration meetings at least 1x a month  • Collaboration occurs 1x a week for all grade levels	August 2012- May 2013	Administration Classroom teachers media technician	n/a	Weekly Team collaboration minutes School master schedule	In progress
Monthly 1 hour professional development on Tier One Instructional Strategies. Specific strategies will	August 2012- May 2013	Administration Classroom teachers	Title One collaboration dollars to fund substitutes	In-service and staff meeting agendas	In progress





be decided upon from data collected during the monthly walk through  Schedule of walk throughs is created  Walk throughs occur 1x a month with 5 of the walk throughs including district personnel and all walk throughs including administration and staff members		District personnel		Walk through feedback	
School Closing	June 2013	Principal Superintendent Assistant Superintendent	n/a		In progress

<sup>\*</sup> Note: These two columns are not required to meet state or federal accountability requirements, although completion is recommended. "Status of Action Step" may be required for certain grants (e.g., Tiered Intervention Grant).





**Major Improvement Strategy #2:** Improve reading and math achievement for all students with a focus on the achievement of ELL students (75.4% of student population) by increasing English instruction through implementation of sheltered instructional strategies (SIOP) and increased instructional time in English

Root Cause(s) Addressed: In K-3, there is insufficient instruction in English to make a smooth transition from Spanish to English instruction; Intentional grouping of ELL students to enable differentiation of content is lacking; There is an insufficient understanding of what proficiency looks like in order to hold high expectations for students

Accountability Provisions or Grant Opportunities A	Addressed by this Major Improvement Strategy (check all that apply)	):
X School Plan under State Accountability	X Title I Schoolwide or Targeted Assistance Plan requirements	X Title I Focus School Plan requirements
☐ Application fo	r a Tiered Intervention Grant (TIG)	ership (ISP) or School Improvement Grant

Description of Action Steps to Implement the Major Improvement Strategy	Timeline (2012-13 and 2013-2014)	Key Personnel*	Resources (Amount and Source: federal, state, and/or local)	Implementation Benchmarks	Status of Action Step* (e.g., completed, in progress, not begun)
<ul> <li>5 hours of SIOP training for staff on specific sheltered English strategies</li> <li>Schedule trainings</li> <li>Walk throughs after each training to ensure implementation</li> </ul>	August 2012- May 2013	ELL Staff Administration Classroom teachers	n/a	In-service and staff meeting agendas Walk through feedback	In progress
Students in second and third grade bilingual classrooms will have 50% of their day in English instruction  Staff creates plan for instruction  Walk throughs ensure core subject teaching	August 2012- May 2013	Second grade teachers Third grade teachers Administration	n/a	Walk through feedback Staff schedules	In progress
Students in k-3 bilingual classrooms will have part of their reading and writing instruction in English every day  Bilingual classroom teachers attend district trainings on what this looks like  English is evident in each classroom during walk throughs	August 2012- May 2013	District ELL staff Bilingual classroom teachers Administration	n/a	District training agendas and minutes Walk through schedule Walk through feedback	In progress
Team collaboration time will be built into the school day to provide time to meet and discuss student	August 2012- May 2013	Administration Media technician	n/a	Create schedule School master schedule	In progress





achievement data and progress		Classroom teachers		Weekly team collaboration minutes	
<ul> <li>Create schedule</li> <li>Implement schedule</li> <li>Administration attends collaboration meetings on regular basis</li> <li>Team submit collaboration notes to administration</li> </ul>					
Teams of teachers and administrators will walk through all classrooms one day a month looking for evidence of specific Tier One instructional strategies being implemented in all classrooms  Schedule is created Staff is chosen for each walk through Walk throughs conducted and data is shared with leadership team	August 2012- May 2013	District personnel Administration All Spangler staff	Title One collaboration dollars for substitutes	Walk through schedule Walk through feedback Leadership team agendas and minutes	In progress
School Closing	August 2012- May 2013	Principal Superintendent Assistant Superintendent	n/a		In progress





# Section V: Appendices

Some districts/consortia will need to provide additional forms to document accountability or grant requirements:

- Title I Schoolwide Program (Required)
- Title I Targeted Assistance Program (Required)
  Additional Requirements for Turnaround Status Under State Accountability (Required)

# Title I Accountability Provision #1: Parent Involvement/Communication

⊠School Plan under State Accountability	. ☐ Title IA School Improvement/Corrective	e Action Plan	☐ Application for a Tiered Intervention Grant.
X	Title I targeted assistance requirement.	☐ School I	mprovement Grant.

Description of Action Steps to Address the Accountability Provision	Timeline	Key Personnel (optional)	Resources (federal, state, and/or local)	Implementation Benchmarks
Hold a beginning of the year orientation meeting for Title I parents to explain our program, answer questions, and invite parent participation.	September, 2012	Title I Teachers Family Liaison Principal	Funds from Title I for Parent involvement to cover costs of supplies and teacher extra duty pay Title I funds \$26,000 Investing in Innovation funds \$26,000 \$2500 available in Title I per school	Meeting will be held no later than September 30. Evaluation of meeting by parents will show that it was useful and informative.
Hold Parent/Teacher Conferences each semester with parents to discuss progress of their student regarding literacy lab intervention	October, 2012 January 2013	Title I Teacher	None	Conferences with parents regarding student progress.
Hold two Family Reading/Parent information Nights. We will provide Make-and Takes for parents, provide ideas for supporting reading at home and ideas for homework help all with an emphasis on strengthening student reading skills.	December 2012 May 2013	Principal Teachers Title I Teachers Family Liaison	Funds from Title I for Parent involvement to cover costs of supplies and teacher extra duty pay \$2500 available in Title I per school	Parent evaluation of the Family Reading Nights will indicate that parents found it to be enjoyable and informative.  Parent sign in sheet.
Send written notification in English and Spanish to all parents that the school is Priority Improvement or Turnaround if applicable	August 15, 2012	Principal	\$200 for printing and postage (Title I funds)	Letters will be sent by August 15.





Increase our efforts to get parents of minority students, ELLs and students with disabilities involved in our parent advisory Committee. Attendance is low and we need minority representation. We will send letters, make phone calls, and urge parents to contact other parents. Family Liaison will make direct contact with parents to support this effiort.	August 2012 – May 2013	Principal School Leadership Team Title I Teachers Family Liaison	\$500 for printing Title I Parent Involvement funds	Involvement of parents of minority students, ELLs and students with disabilities will increase by 20% from September through May.
Monitor enrollment of students to insure early identification of migratory students. Provide outreach to parents. School will access the Homeless Liaison to support students.	August 2012 – May 2013	Principal Secretary Homeless Liaison	None	100% of migratory students will be identified and parents will be notified of their academic status and, if necessary, of intervention program(s) into which the student has been placed.
The school's Unified Plan and Parent Involvement Policy will be discussed at the fall meeting and key points will be communicated in the fall newsletter. The plan and policy will be available for review by all parents upon request.	August 2012 – May 2013	Principal	None	All parents will be informed of and will have access to the school's Unified Plan, Parent-School Policy, and Parent/Student Compact.
A Parent-School Policy has been developed by the district and a Parent-School Compact has been developed at our school in collaboration with parents.	August 2012 – May 2013	Principal	None	The Policy and Compact are available for review upon request.

# Title I Accountability Provision #2: Teacher Qualifications Highly Qualified and high quality Professional Development

School Plan under State Accountability.	☐ Title IA School Improvement/Corrective	e Action Plan	☐ Application for a Tiered Intervention Grant
⊠ Titl	e I targeted assistance requirement.	☐ School I	mprovement Grant.

Description of Action Steps to Address the Accountability Provision	Timeline	Key Personnel (optional)	Resources (federal, state, and/or local)	Implementation Benchmarks
The certification of the Title I teachers will be monitored to ensure that they are highly qualified.	August 2011 ongoing as necessary	Principal	Local funds	The Title I teachers are all highly qualified.
The Executive Director of Priority Programs and principal will work with the Human Resources Department to attract and maintain high-quality highly qualified teachers.  a. Attend job fairs b. Access the district sponsored new teacher mentoring program and new teacher orientation.	Spring, 2012	Principal Executive Director of Priority Programs	Office of Professional Development supports all costs with regard to the mentors/coaches through Title IIA	Our school will retain 90% of teachers, including Title I and special education teachers.





Monthly reading seminars (professional development) for all Title I Teachers with a focus on the five components of literacy, data driven dialogue, intervention strategies, and trajectory graphing models.	August 2012- May 2013	Literacy coaches Title I teachers	Subs for Title I teachers (\$5,000 per year for subs and extra duty pay) Title I funds - Cost for Consultants \$3000 per year covered through Title I funds	Agendas for seminars, teacher evaluation of the training and review of data driven dialogue strategies.
Training on the use of running record for all Title I teachers to include analysis of the data and targeted, intentional intervention strategies based on running record information.	May 2012	Principal	None	Review of running record protocols samples from each Title I teacher and teacher evaluation of the training.
Title I teachers will participate in four half day trainings each year which focus on reading and language intervention strategies for students of poverty and second language learners to be led by the Literacy office.	May 2012	Literacy Office Executive Director of Priority Programs Title I teachers	Subs for Title I teachers (\$5000 for subs and extra duty)Title I funds	Teacher evaluation of the training and agendas for Title I meetings.

# Title I Accountability Provision #3: Coordination and Integration of Federal, State, and Local Services and Programs School Plan under State Accountability. Title IA School Improvement/Corrective Action Plan Application for a Tiered Intervention Grant. Title I targeted assistance requirement. School Improvement Grant.

Description of Action Steps to Address the Accountability Provision	Timeline	Key Personnel (optional)	Resources (federal, state, and/or local)	Implementation Benchmarks
We coordinate funds in the following ways:  Title I funds:  salaries of the Title I teachers  to purchase intervention materials  coaches for Title I teachers  Title II funds  Mentor/coaching of new teachers  Title III funds  Sheltered Instruction collaboration and training  PTA and Foundation funds Additional technology to support literacy intervention and instruction	2011-12 school year 2013-2014 school year	Principal Leadership Team Title I Teachers	Title I teachers Total \$1,241,000 Intervention materials \$2000 Title IIA Coaches \$260,000 Total Title III \$5000 Consultant \$79,000 Sheltered Instruction Parent-Teacher Organization Local funds	Review of expenditures with the Leadership Team and the Parent Advisory Group. Use of evaluations of the teacher professional development and parent activities to make adjustments throughout the year as necessary.

Title I Accountability Provision #4: Student Progress and program effectiveness monitoring





School Plan under State Accountability.	☐ Title IA School Improvement/Corrective	e Action Plan	☐ Application for a Tiered Intervention Grant.
⊠ Ti	tle I targeted assistance requirement.	☐ School Ir	mprovement Grant.

Description of Action Steps to Address the Accountability Provision	Timeline	Key Personnel (optional)	Resources (federal, state, and/or local)	Implementation Benchmarks
DRA testing of all Title I identified students fall, winter, and spring.	April 2012 – May 2013	Title I Teachers Principal Title I Literacy coach	Title I funds DRA Testing \$9,300	Testing results roster with name, grade and annual assessment data.
Monthly review of individual student data for reading proficiency and student need by the Title I team in collaboration with the principal and school leadership team.	May 2012 – May 2013	Title I Teachers Principal Classroom teachers Literacy coach	Collaboration time Title I funds (Total \$5000 per year for subs and extra duty pay)	Monthly meeting notes of data review process.
Running record completed weekly for all lit lab Title I students with review of running record and design of student trajectory graphs to be part of the literacy coaching conversations.	May 2012 – May 2013	Title I Teachers Principal Title I Literacy coach	None	Running record forms and trajectory charts.
Collaboration meetings at least 3 times per year between Title I teachers and classroom teachers to include review of Title I student data and progress in reading.	April 2012 - May 2013	Title I Teachers Classroom teachers	Collaboration time Title I funds (Total \$5,000 per year for subs and extra duty pay)	Notes from collaboration meetings.

# Title I Accountability Provision # 5: Augmented school year

School Plan under State Accountability.	☐ Title IA School Improvement/Correct	ive Action Plan	☐ Application for a Tiered Intervention Grant.
⊠ Tit	tle I targeted assistance requirement.	☐ School II	mprovement Grant.

Description of Action Steps to Address the Accountability Provision	Timeline	Key Personnel (optional)	Resources (federal, state, and/or local)	Implementation Benchmarks
Success for All seven week summer program. Reading and language development interventions for at risk students.	June 20 – August 5, 2012	Principal Leadership team	Investing in Innovation grant funds \$120,000 Local funds	DRA pre and post data roster of student progress.
Jump Start two week summer program for PreK and K students focusing on early intervention for the development of routines and literacy skills.	July – August 2012	Principal Leadership team	Investing in Innovation grant funds \$5000 Local funds	Spring PALS assessment data review.



#### **Section V: Appendices**

Schools may add additional documentation to meet their unique needs. In particular, optional forms are available to supplement the improvement plan for schools to ensure that the requirements for the following have been fully met:

- Title I Schoolwide Program
- Title I Targeted Assistance Program
- Title I Improvement, Corrective Action or Restructuring
- Additional Requirements for Turnaround Status Under State Accountability
- Competitive School Grants (e.g., Tiered Intervention Grant, Closing The Achievement Gap)

Other Title I Requirements:

## Parent Involvement Policy and Parent Compact:

Spangler Elementary Title 1 and Parent Compact Revised October 6, 2011

This compact has been developed and agreed upon by the parents and teachers of Title 1 students at Spangler Elementary School.

We believe that the academic achievement of each student is the shared responsibility of the community. Parents, students, teachers, administrators and other adults are all members of the Spangler community. We all believe that all children can and should learn and are committed to the success of all of our students. The school will:

- 1. Provide a high quality curriculum
- 2. Provide quality instruction in a supportive and effective learning environment.
- 3. Involve the parents of the Title 1 students in the improvement of Title 1 programs.

The administration will:

- 1. Facilitate and implement Title 1 Parent involvement policy.
- 2. Involve parents in planning and review of Title 1 School Involvement policy.
- 3. Hold meetings to inform parents of Title 1 requirements. If parents cannot attend there will be other methods of communication to ensure that all are informed.
- 4. Submit parent suggestions for improvement to the District.
- 5. Help to build ties between the school and the families.
- 6. Provide support for parent involvement activities.

The staff will:

1. Inform and invite parents of meetings about Title 1 issues.



- 2. Provide information about how to help their children succeed academically.
- 3. Be readily accessible to parents, giving parents opportunities to meet with them.
- 4. Invite parents to be part of the decisions made regarding the academic opportunities for their children.
- 5. Assist in providing opportunities for parents to volunteer or observe in their children's classrooms.

## The parents will:

- 1. Support their students' learning.
- 2. Make sure that their children attend school.
- 3. Monitor homework.
- 4. Provide a quiet place to work at home.
- 5. Encourage activities at home that increase academic development.
- 6. Be aware of the school rules and ask their children to follow them.
- 7. Participate, when possible, in school activities and in decisions about their children.
- 8. Communicate with the school staff about their children's needs and circumstances.



## Colorado's Unified Improvement Plan for Schools for 2012-13

Organization Code: 0470 District Name: ST VRAIN VALLEY RE 1J School Code: 7839 School Name: ST. VRAIN ONLINE GLOBAL ACADEMY SPF Year: 2012 Accountable by: 1 Year

## Section I: Summary Information about the School

**Directions:** This section summarizes your school's performance on the federal and state accountability measures in 2011-12. In the table below, CDE has pre-populated the school's data in blue text. This data shows the school's performance in meeting minimum federal and state accountability expectations as shared through the School Performance Framework (SPF) data. This summary should accompany your improvement plan.

Student Performance Measures for State and Federal Accountability

Performance Indicators	Measures/ Metrics		2011-12 Federal and State Expectations				-12 School I	Results	Meets Expectations?	
			Elem	MS	HS	Elem	MS	HS		
Academic	TCAP/CSAP, CoAlt/CSAPA, Lectura, Escritura Description: % P+A in reading, writing, math and science Expectation: %P+A is at or above the 50th percentile by using 1-year or 3-years of data	R	-	-	73.33%	-	-	1	Overall Rating for	
Achievement		М	-	-	33.52%	-	-	-	Academic Achievement:	
(Status)		W	-	-	50%	-	-	-	* Consult your School Performance Framework for the ratings for each	
		S	-	-	50%	-	-	-	content area at each level.	
			Median Adequate SGP				Median SGI	)		
	Median Student Growth Percentile  Description: Growth in TCAP/CSAP for reading,		Elem	MS	HS	Elem	MS	HS	Overall Rating for Academic Growth:	
Academic	writing and math and growth in CELApro for English language proficiency	R	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Growth	Expectation: If district met adequate growth: then	М	-	-	-	-	-	-	* Consult your School Performance	
	median SGP is at or above 45.  If district did not meet adequate growth: then median SGP is at or above 55.		-	-	-	-	-	-	Framework for the ratings for each content area at each level.	
			-	-	-	-	-	-	Sometic area at each level.	





# Student Performance Measures for State and Federal Accountability (cont.)

Performance Indicators	MASSIFAS/ MATRICS		2011-12 School Results	Meets Expectations?	
Academic Growth Gaps	Median Student Growth Percentile  Description: Growth for reading, writing and math by disaggregated groups.  Expectation: If disaggregated groups met adequate growth, median SGP is at or above 45. If disaggregated groups did not meet adequate growth, median SGP is at or above 55.	See your school's performance frameworks for listing of median adequate growth expectations for your district's disaggregated groups, including free/reduced lunch eligible, minority students, students with disabilities, English Language Learners and students below proficient.	See your school's performance frameworks for listing of median growth by each disaggregated group.	Overall Rating for Growth Gaps:  - * Consult your School Performance Framework for the ratings for each student disaggregated group at each content area at each level.	
	Graduation Rate	At 80% or above	Best of 4-year through 7- year Grad Rate		
	<b>Expectation:</b> at 80% or above on the most recent 4-year, 5-year, 6-year or 7-year graduation rate.	At 60% of above	- using a - year grad rate	•	
Post Secondary/ Workforce	Disaggregated Graduation Rate Expectation: at 80% or above on the disaggregated group's most recent 4-year, 5-year, 6-year or 7-year graduation rate.	At 80% or above for each disaggregated group	See your school's performance frameworks for listing of 4-year, 5-year, 6-year and 7-year graduation rates for disaggregated groups, including free/reduced lunch eligible, minority students, students with disabilities, and English Language Learners.	1	Overall Rating for Post Secondary Readiness:
Readiness	Dropout Rate Expectation: At or below State average overall.	3.6%	-	-	Does Not Meet
	Mean ACT Composite Score  Expectation: At or above State average	20	16.1	Does Not Meet	





Accountability Status and Requirements for Improvement Plan

Program	Identification Process Iden	ntification for School	Directions for Completing Improvement Plan							
State Accountability	•									
Preliminary Recommended Plan Type	Plan assigned based on school's overall school performance framework score (achievement, growth, growth gaps, postsecondary and workforce readiness)	Turnaround  – Entering Year 1 as of July 1, 2013.	Based on final results, the school has not met state expectations for attainment on the performance indicators and is required to adopt and implement a Turnaround Plan. The plan must be submitted by January 15, 2013 along with the required Turnaround Plan addendum to be reviewed by CDE. Refer to the website for more detailed directions on the plan submission process, as well as the Quality Criteria to ensure that all required elements are captured in the school's plan at: http://www.cde.state.co.us/uip/UIP_TrainingAndSupport_Resources.asp.							
ESEA and Grant Accountability										
Title I Formula Grant	Program's resources are allocated based upon the poverty rates of students enrolled in schools and districts and are designed to help ensure that all children meet challenging state academic standards.	Does not receive Title I funds	The school does not receive Title I funds and does not need to meet the additional Title I requirements.							
Title I Focus School	Title I school with a (1) low graduation rate (regardless of plan type), and/or (2) Turnaround or Priority Improvement plan type with either (or both) (a) low-achieving disaggregated student groups (i.e., minority, ELL, IEP and FRL) or (b) low disaggregated graduation rate. This is a three-year designation.	Not identified as a Title I Focus School	This school has not been identified as a Title I Focus school and does not need to meet the additional requirements.							
Tiered Intervention Grant (TIG)	Competitive grant (1003g) for schools identified as 5% of lowest performing Title I or Title I eligible schools to implement one of four reform models as defined by the USDE.	Not a TIG Awardee	This school does not receive a TIG grant and does not need to meet those additional requirements.							
Improvement Support Partnership (ISP) or Title I School Improvement Grant	Competitive Title I grant to support school improvement through a diagnostic review (i.e., facilitated data analysis, SST) or an implementation focus (i.e., Best First Instruction, Leadership, Climate and Culture).	Not a Title I School Improvement Grant Awardee	This school does not receive a School Improvement grant and does not need to meet those additional requirements.							





Section II: Improvement Plan Information
Directions: This section should be completed by the school or district.

# Additional Information about the School

Comprehensive Review an	Comprehensive Review and Selected Grant History										
Related Grant Awards	Has the school received a grant that supports the school's improvement efforts? When was the grant awarded?	No									
School Support Team or Expedited Review	Has (or will) the school participated in an SST review or Expedited Review? When?	No									
External Evaluator	Has the school partnered with an external evaluator to provide comprehensive evaluation? Indicate the year and the name of the provider/tool used.	No									

# Improvement Plan Information

The school is submitting this improvement plan to satisfy requirements for (check all that apply):	
$$ State Accountability $\square$ Title IA (Targeted Assistance or Schoolwide) $\square$ Title I Focus S	School
☐ Implementation Support Partnership Grant (ISP) or Title I School Improvement Grant	Other:

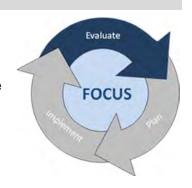
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# Section III: Narrative on Data Analysis and Root Cause Identification

This section corresponds with the "evaluate" portion of the continuous improvement cycle. The main outcome is to construct a narrative that describes the process and results of the analysis of the data for your school. The analysis should justify the performance targets and actions proposed in section IV. Two worksheets have been provided to help organize your data analysis for your narrative. This analysis section includes: identifying where the school did not at least meet minimum state and federal accountability expectations, describing progress toward targets for the prior school year, describing what performance data were used in the analysis of trends, identifying trends and priority performance challenges (negative trends), describing how performance challenges were prioritized, identifying the root causes of performance challenges, describing how the root causes were identified and verified and what data were used, and describing stakeholder involvement in the analysis. Additional guidance on how to engage in the data analysis process is provided in Unified Improvement Planning Handbook.



#### Worksheet #1: Progress Monitoring of Prior Year's Performance Targets

**Directions:** This chart supports analysis of progress made towards performance targets set for the 2011-12 school year (last year's plan). While this worksheet should be included in your UIP, **the main intent is to record your school's reflections to help build your data narrative.** 

Performance Indicators	Targets for 2011-12 school year (Targets set in last year's plan)	Perf	Performance in 2011-12? Was the target met? How close was school in meeting the target?						Bri	Brief reflection on why previous targets were met or not met.		
		or adva	nance in 2011-1 nced. SVOGA ing the target g	students we		Targets were not met for several reasons that include:  1. New school with little/no interpretions for reading and metals.						
			Reading			CSAI	Perce	nt				interventions for reading and math in place. High transient population—43.4% of student body have been enrolled in 3 or more high schools.
Academic Achievement			2012	Number of Students	U	PP	P	A	NS		2.	
(Status)			9th Grade	10	10	50	40	0	0			
			10th Grade	15	7	53	27	0	13		3.	Deficiency in credits—71% of student body is below credit
	By the end of the 2011-12 school year, Math TCAP will be at 13% proficient or advanced.	Performance in 2011-12 indicates 9% of the students were proficient or advanced. SVOGA students were within 4 percentage points of meeting the target goal.    Math   CSAP Percent								4.	student body is below credit requirements for their grade level resulting in little or no math or English instruction.  Truancy: 20% of student body is	





Performance Indicators	Targets for 2011-12 school year (Targets set in last year's plan)	Per	Performance in 2011-12? Was the target met? How close was school in meeting the target?								Bri	ef reflection on why previous targets were met or not met.
			2012	Number of Students	U	PP	P	A	NS			on an attendance contract with the district for previous non-attendance issues.  5. Health-related issues: 7% of student body has health-related
			9th Grade	10	50	10	10	20	10	5	5.	
		10th Grade 15 73 13 0 0 13								issues that have keep students		
Academic Growth	Reading: By the end of the 2011-12 school year, median student growth percentile will be 30.	Performance in 2011-12 indicates that the median student growth percentile was at 27% with 9th graders showing 9% median growth percentile and 10th graders showing a 29% median growth percentile.									out of school.	
Academic Growth	Mathematics: By the end of the 2011-12 school year, median student growth percentile will be 60.	Performance in 2011-12 indicates that the median student growth percentile was at 20% with 9th graders showing a 16% median growth percentile and 10th graders showing a 34% median growth percentile.										
	NA	NA										
Academic Growth Gaps												
Post Secondary Readiness	By the end of 2011-12, mean ACT will be 17.0.	The target of 17.0 was not met. The mean ACT was 16.1 and the school was .9 away from meeting the target.										





#### Worksheet #2: Data Analysis

Directions: This chart supports planning teams in recording and organizing observations about school-level data in preparation for writing the required data narrative. Planning teams should describe positive and negative trends for all of the four performance indicators using at least three years of data and then prioritize the performance challenges (based on notable trends) that the school will focus its efforts on improving. The root cause analysis and improvement planning efforts in the remainder of the plan should be aimed at addressing the identified priority performance challenges is recommended (no more than 3-5); a performance challenge may apply to multiple performance indicators. At a minimum, priority performance challenges must be identified in any of the four performance indicator areas where minimum state and federal expectations were not met for accountability purposes. Furthermore, schools are encouraged to consider observations recorded in the "last year's targets" worksheet. Finally, provide a brief description of the root cause analysis for any priority performance challenges. You may add rows, as needed.

Performance Indicators			escription of ars of past st	Priority Performance Challenges	Root Causes				
	Reading: For the ten sproficient or advanced fifteen 10th grade studievel below the school	9 <sup>th</sup> grade stud level, below ents tested, 2	dents tested the school o	in 2012, 40 listrict at 73 tudents test	ents tested at the te at 67% For the	Low performance (40% proficient/advanced) in reading on TCAP that is below the state	Low reading achievement expectations with no		
			SVOGA		Colorado		expectation of 73% proficient/advanced.	<ul><li>access to Reading</li><li>interventions.</li></ul>	
Academic		Grade 9	40	73	67	<u> </u>	Francisco de la constante de l	> > >	
Achievement (Status)		Grade 10	27	72					
	<b>Writing</b> : For the ten 9 proficient of advanced fifteen 10th grade studeschool district at 54%	level, below ents tested, ´	the school of 3% tested a	listrict at 56	NA NA				
			SVOGA	District	Colorado		IVA	NA	
		Grade 9 30 56 51					\$		
		Grade 10	13	54			<u> </u>		





	students district at tested, 09	tested at the p 44% and the	roficient of ac state at 37%. proficient of	dvanced leve For the fifte advanced le	ed in 2012, 30 el, below the so en 10 <sup>th</sup> grade s evel, below the	chool students	Low performance (30% proficient/advanced) in mathematics on TCAP that is below	Low mathematics achievement expectations with no access to Mathematics interventions.		
		Grade 9	SVOGA 30	District 44	Colorado 37		the state expectation of 34% proficient/advanced.			
Academic Growth	Writing	Grade 10  g Median Grow  Median Grow  matics Median	th Percentile	25	33		Low reading (27) and mathematics (20) median growth percentile on TCAP that is below the state median of 50.	Reading and Math interventions unavailable.		
Academic Growth Gaps	Not applic	cable as disag	gregated gro	ups are too	small for data a	analysis.	NA	NA		
Post Secondary & Workforce Readiness							ACT composite score (16.1) below State and District average. Low performance in college readiness benchmarks in all four areas: English, Mathematics, Reading and Science.	Reading and Mathematics interventions unavailable.  Low course completion rate.		





#### **Data Narrative for School**

**Directions:** Building on the data organized in Worksheet #1 and Worksheet #2, describe the process and results of the data analysis for the school, including review of prior years' targets, trends, priority performance challenges and root cause analysis. The narrative should address each aspect of the descriptions below. The narrative should not take more than five pages.

#### **Data Narrative for School**

Description of School Setting and Process for Data Analysis: Provide a very brief description of the school to set the context for readers (e.g., demographics). Include the general process for developing the UIP and participants (e.g., SAC).  Review Current Performance: Review the SPF and document any areas where the school did not meet state/ federal expectations. Consider the previous year's progress toward the school's targets. Identify the overall magnitude of the school's performance challenges.	Trend Analysis: Provide a description of the trend analysis that includes at least three years of data (state and local data). Trend statements should be provided in the four indicator areas and by disaggregated groups. Trend statements should include the direction of the trend and a comparison to state expectations or trends to indicate why the trend is notable.	Priority Performance Challenges: Identify notable trends (or a combination of trends) that are the highest priority to address (priority performance challenges). No more than 3-4 are recommended. Provide a rationale for why these challenges have been selected and takes into consideration the magnitude of the school's over-all performance challenges.	Root Cause Analysis Identify at least one root cause for every priority performance challenge. Root causes should address adult actions, be under the control of the school, and address the priority performance challenge(s). Provide evidence that the root cause was verified through the use of additional data.
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#### Narrative:

St. Vrain Online Global Academy (SVOGA) is a virtual high school providing high-quality, personalized education for students in grades 9-12 outside of the brick and mortar classroom. The school is designed as an educational opportunity for a diverse population of students who need or prefer the flexibility and convenience of online education.

Pearson Virtual Learning powered by Florida Virtual School (FLVS) provides both the high-quality instruction and curriculum. The curriculum meets not only Colorado Academic Standards but also the iNACOL National Teaching and Learning Standards for Quality Online Programs. FLVS teachers communicate regularly with students and parents regarding all phases of instruction, and students are expected to check in for a minimum of four hours once a week with SVOGA staff, once the student completes the orientation period that requires students to be present onsite for four hours daily. This weekly interaction is utilized to provide additional assistance with course work, structured intervention, and to facilitate FLVS instructor interaction.

#### **Demographic Data:**

SVOGA currently has a student population of 85 full-time students comprised of 3 freshmen, 12 sophomores, 27 juniors, and 43 seniors (9 of the seniors are in their 5th or 6th year). Seventy-one percent of our students are lacking the appropriate credits for their grade level. Additionally, there are 20 part-time students comprised of 15 students taking one Advanced Placement course and 5 students finishing course work from the 2011-12 school year. Forty-five percent of our student population is female; fifty-five percent is male. Caucasian students make up 69.4% of the student body; 25.9% are Hispanic; 1.1% is Asian; 3.5% are considered mixed.

		2011-12	2012-13
Ethnicity	Asian	2.30%	1.10%
	Black	1.40%	0.00%
	Hispanic	28.40%	25.90%
	Caucasian	66.20%	69.40%
	Mixed	1.00%	3.50%





Student Services	IEP's	NA	3.50%
	504's	4.1%	3.50%
	ALP's	2.7%	3.50%
Qualify for Free/Reduced Lunch		23.00%	27.10%
Grade Level Distribution	Freshmen (Grade 9)	10.8%	3.5%
	Sophomores (Grade 10)	17.6%	14.1%
	Juniors (Grade 11)	43.2%	31.8%
	Seniors (Grade 12)	28.4%	50.6%
Gender	Female	49.0%	45.0%
	Male	51.0%	55.0%

#### **Trends and Priority Performance Challenges**

As our student numbers are low, particularly for Grades 9 and 10, data either does not exist or there is not enough data to analyze. Our data team, however, did review TCAP and ACT data for both our students from last year as well as our current students. Additionally, we reviewed our course completion data from our first year of operation.

The **TCAP** data represents ten 9th graders and fifteen 10th graders for the 2011-12 school year. Forty percent of the 9th graders tested at the proficient/advanced level in reading, while 27% of the 10th graders tested at the proficient/advanced level. In writing, 30% of the 9th graders tested proficient/advanced; 13% of the 10th graders tested proficient/advanced. Mathematics showed 30% of the 9th graders proficient/advanced with 0% of the 10th graders testing at proficient/advanced. The median growth percentile for 9th graders indicates Reading at 9, Writing at 21, and Mathematics at 16. For 10th graders, the median growth percentile indicates Reading at 29, Writing at 38, and Mathematics at 34. The overall median growth percentile for the 25 total students was Reading at 27, Writing at 25 and Mathematics at 20.

CSAP Median Overall Growth Percentile				
	2011	2012		
Reading	30	27		
Writing	22	25		
Mathematics	60	20		

ACT data for 31 students indicated a composite score of 16.1 below the District composite of 20.2 and the State composite of 20.0. Data indicates that students are below the college readiness benchmarks in English (14.8, 5 points behind the District average and 4.4 points behind the State average); Mathematics (16.5, 3.6 points behind the District average and 3.1 points behind the State average); Science (16.1, 3.2 points behind the District average and 3.1 points behind the State average.) Eight of our students, however, showed college readiness in all four of the benchmark areas.





	English	Mathematics	Reading	Science	Composite
SVOGA	14.8	16.5	16.7	16.1	16.1
District	19.8	20.1	20.0	20.3	20.2
State	19.4	20.1	19.8	20.1	20.0

CELA data exists for 3 students (one 11th grader and two 12th graders). The 11th grader showed a growth percentile of 17, while the 12th graders showed a growth percentile of 0.

Nine of our forty-three seniors (20.9%) are in their 5<sup>th</sup> or 6<sup>th</sup> year and 71% of students enrolling with us lack the appropriate number of credits for their credit level. Six of our students (7.1%) are dropouts, returning to SVOGA to work on earning their diploma. These numbers not only affect our graduation rate (13.6% with a 27.3% completion rate) but also have a significant impact on our course completion status. Three of the four seniors who came In with the appropriate number of credits for their credit level earned their high school diploma in May 2012.

Four hundred ten (410) courses were ordered for 117 students throughout the 2011-12 school year. Students completed 210 courses with a grade of C or better for a completion rate of 51.2%. Students withdrew with an F from 177 courses (43.2%). Still outstanding and being worked on are 23 courses or 5.6% of the courses. As these courses are completed, the completion rate for 2011-12 will stand at 56.8%.

Other contributing factors to low reading mathematics scores include lack of attendance/health issues (20% of our student body), school migration (43.4% of our student body have attended two or more high schools in addition to SVOGA), and a lack of motivation.

#### **Growth Summary**

After analysis of growth data by our staff, we chose to focus on the two areas of Reading and Mathematics. Reading and mathematics are the two areas in which growth declined for both the TCAP's and the ACT's while Writing increased in growth.

### Root Cause: Low Reading, Writing and Math Achievement and Growth

To identify root causes, trend data was shared with the staff and analyzed weekly as staff reviewed weekly progress of each student. Root causes found were:

Low reading achievement expectation with no access to Reading interventions.

Low mathematic achievement expectations with no access to Mathematics interventions.

Reading and Mathematics interventions unavailable.

Moderate course completion rate.

#### **Root Cause Verification**

Root causes are a combination of many factors that includes the student's past history in their brick and mortar schools. Seventy-one percent of students enrolling with St. Vrain Online Global Academy have below grade level credits due to truancy issues and/or failing grade level equivalent classes. TCAP and ACT scores reflect their lack of academic performance and preparedness. Additionally, there have been no reading or mathematics interventions in place at St. Vrain Online Global Academy to address the deficiencies. The course completion rate is a direct result of a student's regular attendance onsite at St. Vrain Online Global Academy has a direct correlation to course completion.





Once root causes were identified, data team questions centered around:

- 1. How can we increase Reading, Writing, and Mathematics achievement for students?
- 2. How can we increase College and Workforce Readiness skills?
- 3. What interventions are currently in place, and what interventions could be put into place to help students who are not making adequate progress?
- 4. What reading, writing, and mathematics skills are necessary to define a successful online student?
- 5. How can we change our current model to increase course completion for students?
- 6. How can we change our attendance policy to increase course completion for students?

## Section IV: Action Plan(s)

This section addresses the "plan" portion of the continuous improvement cycle. First, you will identify your annual performance targets and the interim measures. This will be documented in the required School Target Setting Form below. Then you will move into action planning, which should be captured in the Action Planning Form.

## **School Target Setting Form**

**Directions:** Complete the worksheet below. While schools may set targets for all performance indicators, at a minimum, they must set targets for those priority performance challenges identified in Section III (e.g., by disaggregated student groups, grade levels, subject areas).

Schools are expected to set their own annual targets for academic achievement, academic growth, academic growth gaps and postsecondary and workforce readiness. At a minimum, schools should set targets for each of the performance indicators where state expectations are not met – in each area where a priority performance challenge was identified; targets should also be connected to prioritized performance challenges. Consider last year's targets (see Worksheet #1) and whether adjustments need to be made. For each annual performance target, identify interim measures that will be used to monitor progress toward the annual targets at least quarterly during the school year.



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**School Target Setting Form** 

Performance	Measures/ M	La fuel a sa	Priority Performance	Annual Perform	mance Targets	Interim Measures for	Major Improvement
Indicators	Indicators		Challenges	2012-13	2013-14	2012-13	Strategy
Academic Achievement (Status)	TCAP/CSAP, CoAlt/CSAPA , Lectura, Escritura	R	Low performance (40% proficient/advanced) in reading on TCAP that is below the state expectation of 73% proficient/advanced.	By the end of the 2012-13 school year, Reading TCAP will be 47% proficient or advanced.	By the end of the 2013-14 school year, Reading TCAP will be at 50% proficient or advanced.	One-on-one weekly progress monitoring.  Live lessons and tutoring sessions with FLVS teachers.  Discussion-based assessments prior to all module exams.  English I and/or II required as a first class for all students with deficient English credit  Galileo testing to measure reading progress.  Utilize a computer reading program for all students as needed  Explore possible remediation courses available through Florida Virtual Schools or other curriculum providers	Increase reading achievement through structured intervention.
		М	Low performance (30%	By the end of the 2012-	By the end of the 2013-	One-on-one weekly	Increase math





			proficient/advanced) in mathematics on TCAP that is below the state expectation of 34% proficient/advanced.	13 school year, Math TCAP will be 13% proficient or advanced.	14 school year, Math TCAP will be at 18% proficient or advanced.	Live lessons and tutoring sessions with FLVS teachers and/or SVOGA staff.  Discussion-based assessments prior to all module exams.  Algebra I required as a first class for all students with deficient Math credit.  For all Algebra I students, required daily structured time (not online).  Galileo testing to measure mathematics progress  Explore possible remediation courses available through Florida Virtual Schools or other curriculum providers	achievement through structured intervention.
		W	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
		S	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Academic Growth	Median Student Growth	R	Low reading median growth percentile on TCAP	By the end of the 2012- 13 school year, median student growth	By the end of the 2013- 14 school year, median student growth	One-on-one weekly progress monitoring	Increase reading achievement through structured intervention





	Percentile (TCAP/CSAP & CELApro)			percentile will be 55.	percentile will be 55.	Live lessons and tutoring sessions with FLVS teachers  Discussion-based assessments prior to all module exams  Utilize a computer reading program for all students as needed	
		М	Low math median growth percentile on TCAP	By the end of the 2012- 13 school year, median student growth percentile will be 55.	By the end of the 2013- 14 school year, median student growth percentile will be 55.	One-on-one weekly progress monitoring.  Live lessons and tutoring sessions with FLVS teachers and/or SVOGA staff  Discussion-based assessments prior to all module exams.	Increase math achievement through structured intervention.
		W	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
		ELP	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Academic	Median	R	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Growth	Student Growth	М	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Gaps	Percentile	W	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Post Secondary & Workforce Readiness	Graduation Rate	e	The graduation rate (13.6%) is below the State and District average.	By the end of 2012-13, the graduation rate will be 16.0%.	By the end of 2013-14, the graduation rate will be 18.0%.	Continuous weekly monitoring of student progress, course completion, and credit	Increase graduation rate and decrease dropout rate through structured progress intervention with





				expectations.	school staff.
Disaggregated Grad Rate	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Dropout Rate	The dropout rate (7.8%) is above the State and District average.	By the end of 2012-13, the dropout rate will be 7.2%.	By the end of 2013-14, the dropout rate will be 6.8%.	Continuous weekly monitoring of student progress, course completion, and credit expectations.	Increase graduation rate and decrease dropout rate through structured progress intervention with school staff.
Mean ACT	ACT composite score below State and District average. Low performance in college readiness benchmarks in all four areas: English, Mathematics, Reading, and Science.	By the end of 2012-13, mean composite ACT will be 17.0	By the end of 2013-14, mean composite ACT will be at 17.3	ACT Prep Course as required elective for all juniors.	Increase ACT scores and graduation credits per student through course completion in a timely manner.





## Action Planning Form for 2012-13 and 2013-14

**Directions:** Identify the major improvement strategy(s) for 2012-13 and 2013-14 that will address the root causes determined in Section III. For each major improvement strategy, identify the root cause(s) that the action steps will help to dissolve. Then, indicate which accountability provision or grant opportunity it will address. In the chart below, provide details about key action steps necessary to implement the major improvement strategy. Details should include the action steps that will be taken to implement the major improvement strategy, a general timeline, resources that will be used to implement the actions, and implementation benchmarks. Add rows in the chart, as needed. While space has been provided for three major improvement strategies, the school may add other major strategies, as needed.

Major Improvement Strategy #1: Increase reading achievement through structured intervention.  Root Cause(s) Addressed: Low performance in reading on TCAP and ACT					
countability Provisions or Grant Opportunities Addressed by this Major Improvement Strategy (check all that apply):					
√ School Plan under State Accountability ☐ Title I Schoolwide or Targeted Assistance plan requirements ☐ Title I Focus School Plan requirements					
☐ Application for a Tiered Intervention Grant (TIG) ☐ Improvement Support Partnership (ISP) or School Improvement Grant					

Description of Action Steps to Implement the Major Improvement Strategy	Timeline (2012-13 and 2013-2014)	Key Personnel*	Resources (Amount and Source: federal, state, and/or local)	Implementation Benchmarks	Status of Action Step* (e.g., completed, in progress, not begun)
Online Reading program available for all students needing additional reading support.	December 2012-May 2014	Principal and Counselor	NA	Course completion	In Progress
Discussions with FLVS around use of literacy coaches/support for all levels of English	January 2013- May 2014	Principals of both SVOGA and FLVS	NA	Course completion	In Progress
Utilization of FLVS English II recorded/audio materials.	January 2013- May 2014	Principal and FLVS English II instructor	NA	Course completion	In Progress
Galileo pre- and post-testing to measure reading growth for all students grades 9-12.	August 2013- May 2014.	Principal and Counselor	\$8 per test	Reading growth and course completion	Not Begun
Live lesson participation with FLVS English classes.	September 2012-May 2014	Principal, counselor, and FLVS English staff	NA	Course completion	In Progress
ACT structured prep class once a week that includes reading hints, timed assessments, and paragraph analysis.	September 2012-May 2014	Principal	NA	Reading growth and course completion	In Progress

<sup>\*</sup> Note: These two columns are not required to meet state or federal accountability requirements, although completion is recommended. "Status of Action Step" may be required for certain grants (e.g., Tiered Intervention Grant).





**Major Improvement Strategy #2:** Increase math achievement through structured intervention. **Root Cause(s) Addressed:** Low performance in mathematics on TCAP and ACT

Accountability Provisions or Grant Opportunities Addressed by this Major Improvement Strategy (check all that apply):						
$\sqrt{}$ School Plan under State Accountability	☐ Title I Schoolwide or Targeted Assistance Plan requirements	☐ Title I Focus School Plan requirements				
☐ Application for	or a Tiered Intervention Grant (TIG) $\;\;\square$ Improvement Support Partners	ship (ISP) or School Improvement Grant				

Description of Action Steps to Implement the Major Improvement Strategy	<b>Timeline</b> (2012-13 and 2013-2014)	Key Personnel*	Resources (Amount and Source: federal, state, and/or local)	Implementation Benchmarks	Status of Action Step* (e.g., completed, in progress, not begun)
Structured pre-algebra review for all students who are deficient in Algebra I credit.	August 2013- May 2014	Principal and Counselor	FLVS curriculum	Module completion	Not begun
Structured math class required for all students who are deficient in Algebra I credit	August 2013- May 2014	Principal and Counselor	FLVS curriculum	Course completion	Not begun
Galileo pre- and post-testing to measure mathematics growth for all students grades 9-12.	August 2013- May 2014	Principal and Counselor	\$8 per test	Mathematics growth and course completion	Not begun
Live lesson participation with FLVS mathematics classes.	October 2013- May 2014	Principal, counselor, and FLVS Mathematics staff	NA	Course completion	In Progress
ACT structured prep class once a week that includes mathematics review of algebra and geometry fundamentals.	September 2012-May 2014	Principal	NA	Mathematics growth and course completion	In Progress





**Major Improvement Strategy #3:** Increase ACT scores and graduation credits per student through course completion in a timely manner.

Root Cause(s) Addressed: Low course completion rate

Accountability Provisions or Grant Opportunities Ac	ddressed by this Major Improvement Strategy (check all that apply):	
$\sqrt{}$ School Plan under State Accountability	☐ Title I Schoolwide or Targeted Assistance Plan requirements	☐ Title I Focus School Plan requirements
☐ Application for a	a Tiered Intervention Grant (TIG) 🔲 Improvement Support Partner	rship (ISP) or School Improvement Grant

Description of Action Steps to Implement the Major Improvement Strategy	<b>Timeline</b> (2012-13 and 2013-2014)	Key Personnel*	Resources (Amount and Source: federal, state, and/or local)	Implementation Benchmarks	Status of Action Step* (e.g., completed, in progress, not begun)
Students will take no more than 1 class at a time and will complete within a 3- to 4-week time period.	August 2012- May 2014	Principal and Counselor	NA	Course completion	In Progress
Reading for College Success course required for all juniors.	August 2012- May 2014	Principal and Counselor	FLVS curriculum	Course completion	In Progress
Structured ACT prep class once a week required for all juniors including English grammar, algebra and geometry fundamentals, reading readiness and science graph analysis and interpretation.	September 2012-April 2014	Principal and Counselor	NA	Subset score group improvement and composite score growth. Course completion	In Progress
Individual parent meetings held 25-27 days after initial enrollment	January 2013 – May 2014	Principal and Counselor	NA	Meeting Schedules	In Progress
Word-of-the-Week (WOW words) for ACT, students use WOW words in at least one assignment weekly	November 2012 – May 2014	Principal, Counselor, FLVS staff	NA	WOW word list and student use in assignments	In Progress





**Major Improvement Strategy #4:** Increase graduation rate and decrease dropout rate through structured progress intervention. **Root Cause(s) Addressed:** Low course completion rate and credit deficient

Accountability Provisions or Grant Opportunities A	addressed by this Major Improvement Strategy (check all that apply):	
$\sqrt{}$ School Plan under State Accountability	☐ Title I Schoolwide or Targeted Assistance Plan requirements	☐ Title I Focus School Plan requirements
☐ Application for	a Tiered Intervention Grant (TIG)	ship (ISP) or School Improvement Grant

Description of Action Steps to Implement the Major Improvement Strategy	Timeline (2012-13 and 2013-2014)	Key Personnel*	Resources (Amount and Source: federal, state, and/or local)	Implementation Benchmarks	Status of Action Step* (e.g., completed, in progress, not begun)
Students will take no more than 1 class at a time and will complete within a 3- to 4-week time period.	August 2012- May 2014	Principal and Counselor	NA	Course Completion	In Progress
Weekly monitoring of student progress, course completion and credit.	August 2012- May 2014	Principal and Counselor	NA	Course Completion	In Progress
Students will complete ICAP Career Cluster survey to better define their college readiness skills.	August 2013- May 2014	Principal	NA	Course Completion	Not Begun





Major Improvement Strategy #5: Reorganizing the oversight and management structure within the school to provide greater, more effective support

Root Cause(s) Addressed: Need for more systematic and intentional District leadership and support.					
Accountability Provisions or Grant Opportunities Addressed by this Major Improvement Strategy (check all that apply):  √ School Plan under State Accountability ☐ Title I Schoolwide or Targeted Assistance plan requirements ☐  Application for a Tiered Intervention Grant (TIG) ☐ Improvement Support Partnership (IS	Title I Focus School Plan requirements SP) or School Improvement Grant				

Description of Action Steps to Implement the Major Improvement Strategy	<b>Timeline</b> (2012-13 and 2013-2014)	Key Personnel*	Resources (Amount and Source: federal, state, and/or local)	Implementation Benchmarks	Status of Action Step* (e.g., completed, in progress, not begun)
Identify District Support Team with input from principal and area assistant superintendent to include representation from: area superintendent, school principal, school counselor, district support staff.	January 2013- March 2013	Principal and Area Assistant Superintendent	NA	Documentation of Team Identification	Not Begun
Monthly Planning and Progress Review Meetings of District Support Team with feedback and recommendations to include monthly update of student progress.	February 2013 through May 2014	Principal and Area Assistant Superintendent	NA	Completed template with results of District Support Team meetings—to include but not limited to feedback, data analysis, change ideas, and planning	Not Begun
Identify School Accountability Committee	January 2013- March 2013	Principal	NA	Documentation of Committee Identification	Not Begun
Collaboration with School Accountability Committee—bi-annual report	August 2013- May 2014	Principal, Area Assistant Superintendent, and School Accountability Chair	NA	Bi-annual reports and meeting minutes of School Accountability Committee (including parents and students)	Not Begun
Monthly identification and analysis of progress monitoring data to include: Galileo Reading and Math Assessments and course progress	December 2012- May 2014	Principal and Counselor	NA	Collated school progress monitoring data and trend analysis report	Not Begun





## Section V: Appendices

Some districts/consortia will need to provide additional forms to document accountability or grant requirements:

- Title I Schoolwide Program (Required)
   Title I Targeted Assistance Program (Required)
   Additional Requirements for Turnaround Status Under State Accountability (Required)

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## Section V: Supporting Addenda Forms

### For Schools or Districts with a Turnaround Plan under State Accountability

All schools and districts must complete an improvement plan that addresses state requirements. Per SB09-163, this includes setting targets, identifying trends, identifying root causes, specifying strategies to address identified performance challenges, indicating resources and identifying benchmarks and interim targets to monitor progress. For further detail on those requirements, consult the Quality Criteria (located at: <a href="http://www.cde.state.co.us/uip/UIP\_TrainingAndSupport\_Resources.asp">http://www.cde.state.co.us/uip/UIP\_TrainingAndSupport\_Resources.asp</a>). Schools and districts with a Turnaround Plan must also identify one or more turnaround strategies from the list below as one of their major improvement strategies. The selected strategy should be indicated below and described within the UIP's Action Plan form. This addendum is required and should be attached to the district/school's UIP.

Description of State Accountability Requirements	Recommended Location in UIP	Description of Requirement
Turnaround Plan Options. Only schools and districts with a Turnaround Plan Type must meet this requirement. One or more of the Turnaround Plan options must be selected and described.	Section IV: A description of the selected turnaround strategy in the Action Plan Form.  If the school or district is in the process of implementing one of these options from a prior year, please include this description within Section IV as well. Actions completed and currently underway should be included in the Action Plan form.	<ul> <li>□ Turnaround Partner. A lead turnaround partner has been employed that uses research-based strategies and has a proven record of success working with schools or districts under similar circumstances. The turnaround partner is immersed in all aspects of developing and collaboratively executing the plan and serves as a liaison to other school or district partners.</li></ul>

\*Districts or schools selecting "Other" should consider that the turnaround strategy must be commensurate in magnitude to the district/school's identified performance challenges. High-quality implementation of the strategy should result in moving the district/school off of a Turnaround plan. Did the plan identify at least one of the options? What still needs to occur?

DATE: January 9, 2013

TO: Board of Education

FROM: Dr. Don Haddad, Superintendent of Schools

SUBJECT: Approval to Include St. Vrain Community Montessori Charter School in

the 2008 Mill Levy Override

## **RECOMMENDATION**

That the Board of Education approve that the St. Vrain Community Montessori Charter School benefit from the St. Vrain Valley 2008 Mill Levy Override monies.

## **BACKGROUND**

The St. Vrain Community Montessori Charter School was approved by the St. Vrain Valley School District as an official St. Vrain charter school in late October of 2008, and the District passed a mill levy override and bond in November of that year.

The Board of Education would like to offer that the St. Vrain Community Montessori Charter School benefit from the monies of the 2008 mill levy override, based on their 2009 student enrollment count. This would not include 2008 bond money, and would only be for future years, beginning in budget year 2013-2014, and not be retroactive to 2008.

DATE: January 9, 2013

TO: Board of Education

FROM: Regina Renaldi, Executive Director of Priority Programs

SUBJECT: Approval of Purchase of myON Reader Program for all 26 Elementary

Schools- 2<sup>nd</sup> Year Contract Option - 2013-2014 School Year

## RECOMMENDATION

That the Board of Education approve the purchase of the myOn reader program as an opportunity to leverage technology and support reading at home for families in St. Vrain Valley Schools for a second-year contract option for the 2013-2014 school year for \$138,060.

## **BACKGROUND**

St. Vrain Valley Schools currently has a one-year contract with myON Reader through Capstone Digital. We have the opportunity to extend the contract for a second year at a reduced rate of \$138,060 for the 2013-14 school year. All 26 elementary schools will participate in the plan to encourage at-home reading and increased student access to quality books. Our goal with this program implementation is to increase learning time at home with the infusion of reading for all students daily. We will collect individual student reading at home data through the myON data collection system and evaluate the impact of increased reading at home opportunities for all students on reading performance overall.

Regina Renaldi, Executive Director of Priority Programs, will be present to answer questions about this proposal.

DATE: January 9, 2013

TO: Board of Education

FROM: Dr. Don Haddad, Superintendent of Schools

SUBJECT: FY13 Amended Budget

## <u>PURPOSE</u>

To provide the Board of Education with information related to the FY13 Amended Superintendent's Budget.

## **BACKGROUND**

Colorado Revised Statute 22-44-110(5) allows the Board of Education to review and change the budget with respect to both revenues and expenditures, at any time prior to January 31 of the fiscal year for which the budget was adopted.

The administration will be bringing forward a list of items that are under consideration for the FY13 Amended Budget.

DATE: January 9, 2013

TO: Board of Education

FROM: Dr. Don Haddad, Superintendent of Schools

SUBJECT: Appraisals and Plans for School Properties

## **PURPOSE**

For the Board of Education to be updated on appraisals of school properties.

## **BACKGROUND**

Rick Ring, Chief Operations Officer, will be available to discuss appraisals of schools and plans for those school properties that will be scheduled for sale.

DATE: January 9, 2013

TO: Board of Education

FROM: John Creighton, President, Board of Education

SUBJECT: Colorado Association of School Boards (CASB) Annual Convention

Follow-Up

## PURPOSE

For the Board of Education members to discuss details, observations, seminars attended, etc., from the 2012 CASB Annual Convention.

## **BACKGROUND**

Annually, CASB holds a convention in Colorado Springs for school board members and school district administration throughout Colorado to exchange ideas, gather input, and develop skills. The Board would like the opportunity to share the information they gathered from this Convention.