SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT PLAN 2006-2007



School Name: 4071 - Olinda Elementary School

FeederPattern: Miami Northwestern Senior

Region: Regional Center III

District: 13 - Miami-Dade

Principal: Sally Hutchings

Superintendent: Rudolph F. Crew, Ed.D.



SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT PLAN EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Olinda Elementary School

Olinda Elementary School, located at 5536 NW 21st Avenue, Miami, Florida, has a population of 351 students in grades kindergarten through five. The neighborhood surrounding this small school is an urban community comprised of private homes, apartments, low income housing, schools, and businesses. The student membership is as follows: 91% Black, 9% Hispanic with 91% of the students receiving free or reduced lunch. The programs offered at Olinda include two Academic Excellence Programs, a Gifted Program, an Autistic Service Center, two Varying Exceptionality Programs, and a before, during and after-school Tutorial Program.

After careful review and evaluation of pertinent data, such as the results of the Florida Comprehensive Assessment Test (FCAT), School's Demographic and Academic Profiles, Student Report Cards, and the STAR Reading Test results, the faculty and staff of Olinda Elementary School, in conjunction with the Educational Excellence School Advisory Council (EESAC), have developed the following objectives as school-wide priorities for all stakeholders for the 2006-2007 school year:

Given instruction based on the Sunshine State Standards, students in grades 3 through 5 will increase their reading skills by 5% on the 2007 administration of the FCAT Reading Test as compared to the 2006 administration of the FCAT Reading Test.

Given instruction based on the Sunshine State Standards, at least 50% of students in the lowest 25% will make learning gains in reading on the 2007 administration of the FCAT Reading Test.

Given instruction based on the Sunshine State Standards, students in grades 3 through 5 will improve their mathematics skills as evidenced by 56% scoring at a level 3 or higher on the 2007 administration of the FCAT Mathematics Test.

Given instruction based on the Sunshine State Standards, Black students will improve their mathematics skills as evidenced by 56% scoring at a Level 3 or higher on the 2007 administration of the FCAT Mathematics Test.

Given instruction based on the Sunshine State Standards, students with disabilities will improve their mathematics skills as evidenced by 56% scoring at a Level 3 or higher on the 2007 administration of the FCAT Mathematics Test.

Given instruction based on the Sunshine State Standards, economically disadvantaged students will improve their mathematics skills as evidenced by 56% scoring at a Level 3 or higher on the 2007 administration of the FCAT Mathematics Test.

Given instruction based on the Sunshine State Standards, students in grade 4 will improve their writing skills as evidenced by 90% of the students achieving high standards on the 2007 administration of the FCAT Writing Test.

Given instruction based on the Sunshine State Standards, students in grade five will improve their science skills as evidenced by an increase of 25 percentage points in the percent of students achieving Level 3 and above on the 2007 administration of the FCAT Science Test as compared to the 2006 administration of the FCAT Science Test.

Given school-wide emphasis on parental and community involvement, Olinda will demonstrate a 5% increase in parental and community interaction as evidenced by comparing the sign-in logs for the 2005-2006 and 2006-2007 school years.

Given an emphasis on a safe and orderly environment, student behavior will improve as evidenced by a 10% decrease in the number of outdoor/indoor suspensions during the 2006-2007 school year as compared to the 2005-2006 school year.

Given an emphasis on the use of technology in education, all students will augment their usage of SuccessMaker as evidenced by a 10% increase during the 2006-2007 school year as compared to the 2005-2006 school year.

Given emphasis on communication with all stakeholders regarding the importance of a healthy lifestyle, physical fitness will increase by 5% as evidenced by the number of students earning gold and silver physical fitness awards based on FITNESSGRAMS.

Given emphasis on the benefits of participating in advanced academic programs, the number of students enrolled in the Academic Excellence Program will increase by 10% during the 2006-2007 school year as compared to the 2005-2006 school year.

Olinda Elementary School will improve its ranking on the State of Florida ROI index publication from the thirteenth percentile in 2004 to the fourteenth percentile on the next publication of the index.

There are two specific areas in need of improvement based on the overall results of the Organizational Performance Improvement Snapshop (OPIS). The first is in the area of Business Results. Staff indicated that they are unaware of the school organization's financial status. Monthly financial reports will be provided to staff members and financial concerns will be addressed during occasions such as EESAC and faculty meetings in order to improve in this area. Strategic Planning is the second area in need of improvement. More specifically, staff felt that they did not know how to determine if they were making progress. Grade level and faculty meetings focusing on pupil progression will assist staff members in this area. Improvement in these two areas will improve the success of the school organization.

MIAMI-DADE COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS

VISION

We are committed to provide educational excellence for all.

MISSION

We provide the highest quality education so that all of our students are empowered to lead productive and fulfilling lives as lifelong learners and responsible citizens.

CORE VALUES

Excellence

We pursue the highest standards in academic achievement and organizational performance.

Integrity

We build positive relationships through honesty, respect and compassion, which enhance the self-esteem, safety, and well-being of our students, families and staff.

Equity

We foster an environment that serves all students and aspires to eliminate the achievement gap.

Citizenship

We honor the diversity of our community by working as a team to ensure the educational success of all of our students and recognize that our obligations go beyond our professional responsibilities to promote democratic principles.

Olinda Elementary School

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We are committed to imparting the knowledge, skills and behaviors required to achieve life-long academic and personal success.

MISSION

We promote the academic and personal excellence of all students through positive reinforcement, high expectations and parental involvement.

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School Demographics

Olinda Elementary is an urban school that attained a school grade of "C" for 2005-2006 school year. Located at 5536 NW 21st Avenue, Miami, Florida, this small school has a population of 351 students in grades kindergarten through five. The neighborhood surrounding Olinda is comprised primarily of private homes, apartments, low-income housing and other schools. The Caleb Center, located across the street, contains many community service agencies, as well as the Model City Branch of the Miami-Dade Public Library. The majority of private businesses in the area are restaurants, convenience stores and warehouses.

In 1969, Olinda Elementary opened its doors as an "open pod" demonstration school with one pod housing three classrooms. Today, seven open pod spaces are divided in half to house two classrooms, with one pod serving as a renovated media center. Additional renovations include the Physical Education Shelter, a complete retrofit of the main building to support a network, and an annex completed in January of 1998, with seven self-contained classrooms, a music suite and a student services suite.

Olinda's student membership is as follows: 91% Black, 9% Hispanic with 91% of the students receiving free or reduced lunch. Attendance for the 2005-2006 school year was 95%. The teacher-student ratio as indicated in the Class Size Simulation Report, which includes reduction due to pull-out is 1:18 for primary and 1:21 for intermediate. The Special Education(SPED) program includes both an inclusion model and a pull-out resource VE/SLD program, a gifted resource program, and a cluster of Autistic classes. Approximately 9% of Olinda students receive transportation provided by the district office. The majority of the students walk to school or are transported by private cars or buses.

Olinda Elementary's faculty consists of two administrators, eighteen classroom teachers, six Special Education(SPED)teachers, one media specialist, four special area teachers, one Title 1 reading coach, one Reading First coach, one speech pathologist and one counselor. The teaching staff is diverse in ethnicity, gender and number of years teaching. Of the thirty-two teachers on staff, 8 are beginning teachers, twelve are in their second year and one is National Board Certified.

Olinda's Leadership Team consists of the administration, department chairpersons, coaches and the media specialist. This team meets weekly to ensure that student progression is taking place in an efficient and effective manner.

In 2002, Olinda became the recipient of the Qualified Zone Academy Bond (QZAB). QZAB monies purchased new computers for classrooms, updated the existing network, and upgraded SuccessMaker curriculum software to the Enterprise version.

Through the Dade Partners program, Olinda has established relationships with various agencies and businesses in the community. The Boy Scouts of America, Leasa Foods, and the Zeta Community Center are actively involved with Olinda Elementary. Olinda has received the Gold and Platinum Awards from the district for high academic achievement.

Faculty and staff responses to the Organizational Performance Improvement Snapshot (OPIS) resulted in a score that was positive in all areas. The overall category rankings placed data/information/ knowledge management at the top and strategic planning at the end, but with only a .2 difference. This tool demonstrates that staff members are informed and secure in the organizational set-up of the school.

School Foundation

Leadership:

Overall results of the Organizational Performance Improvement Snapshot Survey indicate Leadership as the second highest ranking category with a score of 4.2. An analysis of the individual indicator's reveal that staff know's the work location's mission. (Item score of 4.5) The lowest indicator reveals that staff does not think the work location asks them what they think (Item score 3.9)

District Strategic Planning Alignment:

Overall results of the Organizational Performance Improvement Snapshot Survey indicate Strategic Planning as the lowest ranking category with a score of 4.0. An analysis of the individual indicator's reveal that staff know how to tell if progress is being made and that they are aware of the work location's plans that affect them and their work (Item score of 4.1) The lowest indicator reveals that staff does not think the work location asks for their ideas when planning for the future. (Item score 3.8)

Stakeholder Engagement:

Overall results of the Organizational Performance Improvement Snapshot Survey indicate a score of 4.2 in Stakeholder Engagment. An analysis of the individual indicator's reveal that staff know's the most important customers and they keep in touch with them. (Item score of 4.5) The lowest indicator reveals that staff does not ask if their customers are satisfied or dissatisfied with their work. (Item score 3.8)

Faculty & Staff:

Overall results of the Organizational Performance Improvement Snapshot Survey indicate a score of 4.1 in Faculty and Staff. An analysis of the individual indicator's reveal that staff feels they have a safe workplace. (Item score of 4.4) The lowest indicators reveal that staff does not feel recognized for their work and that they are not encouraged to develop their job skills for advancement. (Item score 4.0)

Data/Information/Knowledge Management:

Overall results of the Organizational Performance Improvement Snapshot Survey indicate Data Management as the highest ranking category with a score of 4.3. An analysis of the individual indicator's reveal that staff know how to measure the quality of their work. (Item score of 4.5) The lowest indicator reveals that staff does not feel that they get the information that they need to know how their work location is doing. (Item score 4.0)

Education Design:

Overall results of the Organizational Performance Improvement Snapshot Survey indicate a score of 4.1. An analysis of the individual indicator's reveal that staff has control over their work processes and that they can get all of the resources needed to do their job.(Item score of 4.1) The lowest indicators reveals that staff does not have good processes for doing their work and that they do not collect information about the quality of their work. (Item score 4.0)

Performance Results:

Overall results of the Organizational Perfomance Improvement Snapshot Survey indicate a score of 4.0. An analysis of the individual indicator's reveal that the work location obeys laws and regulations. (Item score 4.3) The lowest indicator reveals that staff does not know how well the work location is doing financially. (Item score 3.2)

GOAL 1: READING

Alignment of Objective to the Florida Department of Education and the District Strategic Plan

Florida Education Priorities (1000.3(5)(a)-(f), F.S.)

Learning and completion at all levels, including increased high school graduation and readiness for postsecondary education	Student Performance	Alignment of Standards and Resources	Educational Leadership	Workforce Education	Parental, Student, Family, Educational Institution, and Community Involvement
	X	X	X	X	X

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students.	compete in the global economy.	maintaining high student	and high ethical standards.	motivated faculty and staff.
		achievement.		
X	X	X	X	X

GOAL 1 STATEMENT:

The goal of Olinda Elementary School is to establish an appropriate learning environment so that each student becomes highly proficient in reading.

Needs Assessment

An analysis of the 2006 FCAT Reading Test indicates that 62% of students scored at or above grade level, 46% made a year's worth of progress and the lowest 43% of struggling students made a year's worth progress in reading. Disaggregated data indicates that 30% of students in grade three, 51% of students in grade four and 52% of students in grade five did not achieve high standards in reading. Participation rate for testing was 100%. Although Olinda is scoring at or above the District and State in reading across grade levels, students need improvement in comparisons and words and phrases. In order to improve every student's performance in reading, Olinda will continue to implement the Houghton Mifflin Reading Series adopted by the District and conduct professional development in reading based on identified weaknesses.

Further analysis demonstrates that the lowest 25% did not meet adequate progress.

The areas in need of concentration, based on the content clusters, include for third, fourth and fifth grades: Main Idea/Author's Purpose. Third grade also indicates a weakness in Words and Phrases, while in fourth grade the additional weakness was in Reference and Research.

NCLB SUBGROUP TARGET

TOTAL	WHITE	BLACK	HISPANIC	ASIAN	NATIVE AMERICAN	F/R LUNCH	LEP	SWD	LEVEL I	LOWEST 25%	OTHER	GRADUATIO N RATE
X										X		

Given instruction based on the Sunshine State Standards, students in grades 3 through 5 will increase their reading skills by 5% on the 2007 administration of the FCAT Reading Test as compared to the 2006 administration of the FCAT Reading Test.

Given instruction based on the Sunshine State Standards, at least 50% of students in the lowest 25% will make learning gains in reading on the 2007 administration of the FCAT Reading Test.

Action Steps

	PERSONS RESPONSIBLE	TIME	ELINE		
STRATEGIES	(Identify by titles)	START	END	ALIGNMENT	BUDGET
Implement the Houghton Mifflin Reading Series to enhance student performance.	Reading Coach	8/14/06	5/30/07	District-wide	\$0.00
Align curriculum, instruction and assessment using organizational tools and weekly grade level progress tests based on the Sunshine State Standards.	Principal, Department Chairs	8/14/06	05/30/07	District Strategic Plan	\$0.00
Provide on-site professional development, as well as opportunities for staff to participate in workshops, training sessions and conferences to enhance instruction.	Principal	8/14/06	05/30/07	District Strategic Plan	\$0.00
Implement school-wide the Plan-Do-Study Act (PDSA) cycle, a data driven result oriented improvement model to increase student achievement in reading.	Principal	8/14/06	5/30/07	Continuous Improvement Model	\$0.00
Target the lowest 30% of students who are not demonstrating adequate growth to the student services team for intervention strategies, such as tutoring and counseling, to promote academic success.	Assistant Principal	8/14/06	5/30/07	District Strategic Plan	\$2000.00
Provide students with opportunities to use technology, such as FCAT Explorer and SuccessMaker to enhance reading skills.	Media Specialist	8/14/06	05/30/07	District Strategic Plan	\$7000.00
Implement the Extended Day Tutorial Program for students focusing on the Sunshine State Standards.	Assistant Principal	8/14/06	05/30/07	District Strategic Plan	\$2000.00
Engage parents in activities that support student achievement through parent	Community Involvement Specialist	8/14/06	5/30/07	District Strategic	\$13200.00

compacts, progress reports, parent
information sessions and activities to promote
a literate home environment.

Research-Based Programs

Houghton Mifflin Reading Series, SuccessMaker Enterprise, Voyager, Soar To Success, Early Success, Reading Plus

Professional Development

Professional development is provided through grade level meetings and collaborative planning. Focus will be on differentiated instruction and guided reading while implementing the Houghton Mifflin Reading Series. Additionally, teachers will participate in District workshops and in-services such as Project Right Beginnings, Project Bear, Project Owl, and Project Draw to address students' needs.

Evaluation

The summative evaluation of this objective will be the scores of the 2007 FCAT Reading Test. Quarterly site authored Sunshine State Standards based tests will provide formative assessment which will be used to monitor progress toward the objective and the effectiveness of the tutorial program. In addition, District Interim Assessments will be administered and the results will be analyzed to continuously align curriculum.

GOAL 2: MATHEMATICS

Alignment of Objective to the Florida Department of Education and the District Strategic Plan

Florida Education Priorities (1000.3(5)(a)-(f), F.S.)

Learning and completion at all levels, including increased high school graduation and readiness for postsecondary education	Student Performance	Alignment of Standards and Resources	Educational Leadership	Workforce Education	Parental, Student, Family, Educational Institution, and Community Involvement
	X	X	X		

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students.	compete in the global economy.	maintaining high student	and high ethical standards.	motivated faculty and staff.
		achievement.		
X	X	X	X	X

GOAL 2 STATEMENT:

The goal of Olinda Elementary School is to establish an appropriate learning environment so that each student becomes highly proficient in mathematics.

Needs Assessment

An analysis of the 2006 FCAT Mathematics Test indicates that 50% of students scored at or above grade level and 59% made a year's worth of progress. Disaggregated data indicates that 44% of students in grades three, 58% of students in grade 4 and 66% of students in grade five did not achieve high standards in mathematics. Participation rate for testing was 100%. Students need improvement in all areas especially geometry and measurement. In order to improve every students performance in mathematics, Olinda is implementing the Harcourt Brace Mathematics Series adopted by the District and conducting professional development based on identified weaknesses.

Further analysis shows that Black, Economically Disadvantaged and Students with Disabilities did not meet adequate progress.

The areas in need of concentration, based on the content clusters, include for third, fourth and fifth grades a weakness in Measurement and Number Sense. Third grade also indicates a weakness in Geometry, while in fifth grade the additional weakness was in Algebraic Thinking.

NCLB SUBGROUP TARGET

TOTAL	WHITE	BLACK	HISPANIC	ASIAN	NATIVE AMERICAN	F/R LUNCH	LEP	SWD	LEVEL I	LOWEST 25%	OTHER	GRADUATIO N RATE
X		X				X		X				

Given instruction based on the Sunshine State Standards, students in grades 3 through 5 will improve their mathematics skills as evidenced by 56% scoring at a level 3 or higher on the 2007 administration of the FCAT Mathematics Test.

Given instruction based on the Sunshine State Standards, Black students will improve their mathematics skills as evidenced by 56% scoring at a Level 3 or higher on the 2007 administration of the FCAT Mathematics Test.

Given instruction based on the Sunshine State Standards, students with disabilities will improve their mathematics skills as evidenced by 56% scoring at a Level 3 or higher on the 2007 administration of the FCAT Mathematics Test.

Given instruction based on the Sunshine State Standards, economically disadvantaged students will improve their mathematics skills as evidenced by 56% scoring at a Level 3 or higher on the 2007 administration of the FCAT Mathematics Test.

Action Steps

	PERSONS RESPONSIBLE	TIME	ELINE		
STRATEGIES	(Identify by titles)	START	END	ALIGNMENT	BUDGET
Align curriculum, instruction and assessment through the use of organizational tools and quarterly grade level progress tests based on the Sunshine State Standards.	Principal, Department Chairs	8/14/06	5/30/07	District Strategic Plan	\$0.00
Implement school-wide the Plan-Do-Study Act (PDSA) cycle, a data driven result oriented improvement model to increase student achievement in mathematics.	Principal	8/14/06	8/14/06 5/30/07 Continuous Improvement Model		\$0.00
Engage parents in activities that support student achievement through parent compacts, progress reports, parent information sessions and activities to promote a literate home environment.	Community Involvement Specialist	8/14/06	5/30/07	District Strategic Plan	\$0.00
Integrate math with other content areas (e.g. social sciences, physical sciences and the arts) to reinforce skills and enhance learning.	Department Chair	8/14/06	5/30/07	District Strategic Plan	\$0.00
Provide students with a variety of daily problem solving experiences, including non-routine and open ended problems.	Department Chairs	8/14/06	5/30/07	District Strategic Plan	\$0.00
Target the lowest 30 % of students who are	Counselor	8/14/06	5/30/07	District Strategic	\$2000.00

not demonstrating adequate growth to the student services team for intervention strategies, such as tutoring and counseling, to promote academic success.				Plan	
Provide students with opportunities to use technology, such as FCAT Explorer and SuccessMaker to enhance mathematics skills.	Media Specialist	8/14/06	5/30/07	District Strategic Plan	\$3000.00
Provide on-site professional development, as well as opportunities for staff to participate in workshops, training sessions and conferences to enhance instruction.	Principal	8/14/06	5/30/07	District Strategic Plan	\$500.00
Implement the Extended Day Tutorial Program for students, focusing on the Black, Low-Socioeconomic, and Students with Disabilities sub-groups with emphasis on the Sunshine State Standards.	Assistant Principal	8/14/06	5/30/07	District Strategic Plan	\$2000.00

Research-Based Programs

Harcourt Brace Math Series, SuccessMaker Enterprise

Professional Development

Professional development is provided through grade level meetings and collaborative planning. Focus will be on the district's scope and sequence and the implementation of the Harcourt Brace Math Series. Additionally, teachers in grades 3-5 will participate in Item Specifications Training and Critical Thinking through District workshops and in-services.

Evaluation

The summative evaluation of this objective will be the scores of the 2007 FCAT Mathematics Test. Quarterly site authored Sunshine State Standards based tests will provide formative assessment which will be used to monitor progress toward the objective and the effectiveness of the tutorial program. In addition, District Interim Assessments will be administered and the results will be analyzed to continuously align curriculum.

GOAL 3: WRITING

Alignment of Objective to the Florida Department of Education and the District Strategic Plan

Florida Education Priorities (1000.3(5)(a)-(f), F.S.)

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X	X	X	X	X

GOAL 3 STATEMENT:

The goal of Olinda Elementary School is to establish an appropriate learning environment so that each student becomes highly proficient in the writing process.

Needs Assessment

An analysis of the 2006 FCAT Writing Test indicates that 70% of Olinda's fourth graders scored at or above grade level in writing.

The average score for the expository writing was a 3.7 and the narrative was a 3.6. the mean writing score was a 282. In order to improve every students' performance in writing, Olinda is implementing the Houghton Mifflin series adopted by the District and is conducting professional development activities based on the utilization of rubrics to score student work.

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X												

Given instruction based on the Sunshine State Standards, students in grade 4 will improve their writing skills as evidenced by 90% of the students achieving high standards on the 2007 administration of the FCAT Writing Test.

Action Steps

	PERSONS RESPONSIBLE	TIME	LINE		
STRATEGIES	(Identify by titles)	START	END	ALIGNMENT	BUDGET
Develop a pacing schedule for teaching writing skills that include authentic writing tasks, daily sentence editing and portfolios to monitor progress.	Principal, Department Chairs, Reading Coach	8/14/06	05/30/07	Continuous Improvement Model	\$0.00
Refer students who are not demonstrating adequate growth to the student services team for intervention strategies, such as tutoring and counseling, to promote academic success.	Counselor	8/14/06	5/30/07	District Strategic Plan	\$0.00
Provide students with opportunities to use technology, such as Word and Publisher to enhance writing skills.	Media Specialist	8/14/06	5/30/07	District Strategic Plan	\$0.00
Engage parents in activities that support student achievement through parent compacts, progress reports, parent information sessions and activities to promote a literate home environment.	Community Involvement Specialist	8/14/06	5/30/07	District Strategic Plan	\$0.00
Implement the Extended Day Tutorial Program for students focusing on the writing process.	Reading Coach	8/14/06	05/30/07	District Strategic Plan	\$2000.00
Provide on-site professional development, as well as opportunities for staff to participate in workshops, training sessions, and conferences to enhance instruction.	Principal	08/14/06	05/30/07	District Strategic Plan	\$500.00
Implement school-wide the Plan-Do-Study Act (PDSA) cycle, a data driven result oriented improvement model to increase student achievement in writing.	Principal	8/14/06	5/30/07	Continuous Improvement Model	\$0.00

Research-Based Programs

Houghton Mifflin Reading Series

Professional Development

Professional development is provided through grade level meetings and collaborative planning. Focus will be based on the scoring rubric and best practices for teaching writing skills. Additionally, teachers in grade 4 will participate in a "Writing Across the Curriculum" workshop provided by the District.

Evaluation

The summative evaluation of this objective will be the scores of the 2007 FCAT Writing Test. Bi-weekly writing prompt scores will provide formative assessment which will be used to monitor progress towards the objective and the effectiveness of the tutorial program. In addition, Interim Assessments will be administered and the results will be analyzed to continuously align curriculum.

GOAL 4: SCIENCE

Alignment of Objective to the Florida Department of Education and the District Strategic Plan

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		achievement.		
X	X	X	X	X

GOAL 4 STATEMENT:

The goal of Olinda Elementary School is to establish an appropriate learning environment so that each student becomes highly proficient in the scientific process.

Needs Assessment

An analysis of the 2006 FCAT Science Test indicates the majority of grade five students at Olinda are scoring below grade level. Specific data indicates that 100% of the students were tested and 9% scored a Level 3 or above. Disaggregated data shows that Olinda students are below the district and state level in all four content areas.

Given instruction based on the Sunshine State Standards, students in grade five will improve their science skills as evidenced by an increase of 25 percentage points in the percent of students achieving Level 3 and above on the 2007 administration of the FCAT Science Test as compared to the 2006 administration of the FCAT Science Test.

Action Steps

	PERSONS RESPONSIBLE	TIME	LINE		
STRATEGIES	(Identify by titles)	START	END	ALIGNMENT	BUDGET
Implement school-wide the Plan-Do-Study	Principal	8/14/06	5/30/07	Continuous	\$0.00
Act (PDSA) cycle, a data driven result				Improvement Model	
oriented improvement model to increase					
student achievement in reading.					
Provide students with opportunities to use	Media Specialist	8/14/06	5/30/07	District Strategic	\$0.00
technology based programs, such as the				Plan	
Magic School Bus to reinforce science skills.					
Align curriculum, instruction and assessment	Principal, Department Chairs	8/14/06	5/30/07	District Strategic	\$0.00
using organizational tools and quarterly grade				Plan	
level progress tests based on the Sunshine					
State Standards.					
Refer students who are not demonstrating	Counselor	8/14/06	5/30/07	District Strategic	\$0.00
adequate growth to the student services team				Plan	
for intervention strategies, such as tutoring					
and counseling, to promote academic success.					
Engage parents in activities that support	Community Involvement Specialist	8/14/06	5/30/07	District Strategic	\$0.00
student achievement through parent				Plan	
compacts, progress reports, parent					
information sessions and activities to promote					
a literate home environment.					
Provide on-site professional development, as	Principal	8/14/06	5/30/07	District Strategic	\$500.00
well as opportunities for staff to participate in				Plan	
workshops, training sessions, and conferences					
to enhance instruction.					
Implement the Extended Day Tutorial	Assistant Principal	8/14/06	5/30/07	District Strategic	\$2000.00
Program for students focusing on scientific	•			Plan	
thinking.					

Research-Based Programs

Harcourt Brace Science Series

Professional Development

Professional development is provided through grade level meetings and collaborative planning. Focus will emphasize the scientific process and best practices for teaching science. Additionally, teachers are encouraged to participate in District workshops and in-services that include Item Specification and the Scientific Process to support student needs.

Evaluation

The summative evaluation of this objective will be the scores of the 2007 FCAT Science Test. Quarterly site authored Sunshine State Standards based tests will provide formative assessment which will be used to monitor progress toward the objective and effectiveness of the tutorial program.

GOAL 5: PARENTAL INVOLVEMENT

Alignment of Objective to the Florida Department of Education and the District Strategic Plan

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		achievement.		
X	X	X	X	X

GOAL 5 STATEMENT:

The goal of Olinda Elementary School is to establish an open line of communication with parents to increase parental involvement in the educational process.

Needs Assessment

An analysis of the data collected from the 2005-2006 Parent Logs indicates that a large number of parents attended school-wide events and activities. Specific data indicates that 3,633 parents attended or participated in school-wide activities. Further analysis reflects the need for increased parent attendance at workshops focused on FCAT and Grade Level Expectations.

Given school-wide emphasis on parental and community involvement, Olinda will demonstrate a 5% increase in parental and community interaction as evidenced by comparing the sign-in logs for the 2005-2006 and 2006-2007 school years.

Action Steps

	PERSONS RESPONSIBLE	TIME	ELINE		
STRATEGIES	(Identify by titles)	START	END	ALIGNMENT	BUDGET
Contact parents of students who are not demonstrating adequate growth to encourage participation in workshops.	Community Involvement Specialist	8/14/06	5/30/07	District Strategic Plan	\$0.00
Provide and maintain a parent resource center with instructional materials for check-out.	Media Specialist	8/14/06	5/30/07	District Strategic Plan	\$0.00
Provide FCAT based workshops for grade three through five parents in reading, writing, and mathematics that outline strategies to increase achievement.	Principal	8/14/06	5/30/07	District Strategic Plan	\$0.00
Provide on-site professional development informing teachers of available resources for parents.	Principal	8/14/06	5/30/07	District Strategic Plan	\$0.00
Maintain an on-going line of communication between home and school through the use of student progress reports, report cards, letters, flyers, school newsletters, website, parent/teacher conferences and home visits.	Principal	8/14/06	5/30/07	District Strategic Plan	\$0.00
Include parent participation in decision- making groups such as the PTA and EESAC to ensure parent engagement.	PTA President, EESAC Chair	8/14/06	5/30/07	District Strategic Plan	\$0.00
Utilize the Title 1 Parent Compact to encourage active involvement and support in both school and home based learning.	Community Involvement Specialist	8/14/06	5/30/07	District Strategic Plan	\$0.00

Research-Based Programs

Not Applicable

Professional Development

The Educational Excellence School Advisory Council (EESAC) seeks to train and involve parents on how to effectively participate in making informed decisions on curriculum, technology, budget and involvement with their child's education. Olinda offers parents a resource center, as well as the ability to utilize media center materials to create a literate home environment. Parents are invited to attend Regional workshops that address parent concerns.

Evaluation

The summative evaluation of this objective will be activities sign-in sheets and parent conference logs. Monthly review of sign-in sheets and event logs will be used to monitor progress.

GOAL 6: DISCIPLINE & SAFETY

Alignment of Objective to the Florida Department of Education and the District Strategic Plan

Florida Education Priorities (1000.3(5)(a)-(f), F.S.)

Learning and completion at all levels, including increased high school graduation and readiness for postsecondary education	Student Performance	Alignment of Standards and Resources	Educational Leadership	Workforce Education	Parental, Student, Family, Educational Institution, and Community Involvement
	X	X	X		

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X	X	X	X	X

GOAL 6 STATEMENT:

The goal of Olinda Elementary School is to provide a safe and orderly environment conducive to learning.

Needs Assessment

An analysis of the data collected from the 2005-2006 Referral System indicates that there were 26 outdoor/indoor suspensions.

Given an emphasis on a safe and orderly environment, student behavior will improve as evidenced by a 10% decrease in the number of outdoor/indoor suspensions during the 2006-2007 school year as compared to the 2005-2006 school year.

Action Steps

	PERSONS RESPONSIBLE	TIME	CLINE		
STRATEGIES	(Identify by titles)	START	END	ALIGNMENT	BUDGET
Involve the Child Study Team and utilize the functional assessment of behavior to ensure all strategies are effectively being utilized to prevent disruptive behaviors.	Classroom Teachers, Department Chairs, Principal, Assistant Principal, Counselor	8/14/06	5/30/07	District Strategic Plan	\$0.00
Provide professional development to staff in the area of classroom management and classroom routines.	Principal	8/14/06	5/30/07	District Strategic Plan	\$0.00
Pair teachers using the "mentoring program" to assist with specific discipline strategies.	Department Chairs, Principal	8/14/06	5/30/07	District Strategic Plan	\$0.00
Communicate the school-wide discipline program and the Code of Student Conduct to parents.	Principal	8/14/06	5/30/07	District Strategic Plan	\$0.00
Contact parents of students who are not demonstrating appropriate behavior to provide intervention strategies and a behavior management plan.	Counselor	8/14/06	5/30/07	District Strategic Plan	\$0.00
Involve outside agencies to provide counseling and therapy for continuous disruptive students.	Assistant Principal, Counselor	8/14/06	5/30/07	District Strategic Plan	\$0.00
Develop and implement a school-wide discipline program to include positive reinforcements and consequences.	Principal, Counselor	8/14/06	5/30/07	District Strategic Plan	\$500.00

Research-Based Programs

Not Applicable

Professional Development

Professional development is provided through grade level meetings and collaborative planning. Focus will be based on classroom management best practices. Additionally, teachers are encouraged to participate in district workshops and in-services that support student needs.

Evaluation

The summative evaluation of this objective will include the number of suspensions for the 2006-2007 school year. Quarterly review of outdoor/indoor suspensions will be used to monitor the objective.

GOAL 7: TECHNOLOGY

Alignment of Objective to the Florida Department of Education and the District Strategic Plan

Florida Education Priorities (1000.3(5)(a)-(f), F.S.)

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	X	X	X		

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		achievement.		
X	X	X	X	X

GOAL 7 STATEMENT:

The goal of Olinda Elementary School is to provide a technology rich environment that fosters academic growth.

Needs Assessment

An analysis of the SuccessMaker Usage Summary Report for the 2005-2006 school year indicates that student's mean time on reading courseware was 8.5 hours and 15.4 in math courseware. Further analysis of the Usage Summary indicates the need for students to increase their mean hours in reading. Time on courseware directly affects FCAT Performance.

Given an emphasis on the use of technology in education, all students will augment their usage of SuccessMaker as evidenced by a 10% increase during the 2006-2007 school year as compared to the 2005-2006 school year.

Action Steps

	PERSONS RESPONSIBLE	TIME	LINE		
STRATEGIES	(Identify by titles)	START	END	ALIGNMENT	BUDGET
Provide professional development to all instructional staff members in the SuccessMaker management system.	Principal	8/14/06	5/30/07	District Strategic Plan	\$0.00
Instruct students in appropriate usage of SuccessMaker to increase achievement in reading and mathematics.	Media Specialist	8/14/06	5/30/07	District Strategic Plan	\$0.00
Schedule classes into the technology lab to ensure completion of coursework.	Media Specialist	8/14/06	5/30/07	District Strategic	\$0.00
Conduct data analysis of SuccessMaker reports to determine custom courses that remediate and enrich student's individual skills.	Principal, Department Chairs, Media Specialist	8/14/06	5/30/07	District Strategic Plan	\$0.00
Provide quarterly performance reports to parents in order to communicate student progression.	Community Involvement Specialist	8/14/06	5/30/07	District Strategic Plan	\$0.00
Utilize incentives to increase the quality and quantity of student's usage and achievement in SuccessMaker.	Classroom Teachers, Department Chairs, Principal, Assistant Principal, Media Specialist	8/14/06	5/30/07	District Strategic Plan	\$0.00

Research-Based Programs

SuccessMaker Enterprise

Professional Development

Professional development is provided through grade level meetings and collaborative planning. Focus will be based on the SuccessMaker Enterprise Management System and the use of course reports to determine student weaknesses. Additionally, teachers are encouraged to participate in district workshops and inservices that support student needs.

Evaluation

The summative evaluation of this objective will be based on the Year-End Usage Summary Report. The Mid-Year Usage Summary will determine progress towards meeting the objective.

GOAL 8: HEALTH & PHYSICAL FITNESS

Alignment of Objective to the Florida Department of Education and the District Strategic Plan

Florida Education Priorities (1000.3(5)(a)-(f), F.S.)

Learning and completion at all levels, including increased high school graduation and readiness for postsecondary education	Student Performance	Alignment of Standards and Resources	Educational Leadership	Workforce Education	Parental, Student, Family, Educational Institution, and Community Involvement
	X	X	X		

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		achievement.		
X	X	X	X	X

GOAL 8 STATEMENT:

The goal of Olinda Elementary School is to promote physical fitness and a healthy lifestyle.

Needs Assessment

The results of the 2005-2006 physical fitness test indicates that 63% percent earned a gold or silver award.

Given emphasis on communication with all stakeholders regarding the importance of a healthy lifestyle, physical fitness will increase by 5% as evidenced by the number of students earning gold and silver physical fitness awards based on FITNESSGRAMS.

Action Steps

	PERSONS RESPONSIBLE	TIMELINE			
STRATEGIES	(Identify by titles)	START	END	ALIGNMENT	BUDGET
Encourage healthy eating habits at school emphasizing the importance of breakfast and a balanced diet.	Principal	8/14/06	5/30/07	District Strategic Plan	\$0.00
Provide a varied activity program which will stimulate an interest and a desire to participate in lifelong physical activity.	Physical Education Teacher	8/14/06	5/30/07	District Strategic Plan	\$0.00
Conduct a parent workshop on the fitness gram requirements and include suggestions for after-school activities.	Physical Education Teacher	8/14/06	5/30/07	District Strategic Plan	\$100.00
Ensure that the physical education coach attends a professional development session on the fitnessgram requirements	Principal	8/14/06	5/30/07	District Strategic Plan	\$0.00
Provide an orientation session to students for the purpose of informing them about the fitnessgram requirements.	Physical Education Teacher	8/14/06	5/30/07	District Strategic Plan	\$0.00

Research-Based Programs

Not Applicable

Professional Development

Professional development is provided through grade level meetings and collaborative planning. Focus will be based on physical education best practices and promoting a healty lifestyle. Additionally, teachers are encouraged to participate in district workshops and in-services that support student needs.

Evaluation

The summative evaluation of this objective will be based on the results of the 2006-2007 FITNESSGRAM. Quarterly FITNESSGRAM reports will be used to determine progress towards meeting the objective.

GOAL 9: ELECTIVES & SPECIAL AREAS

Alignment of Objective to the Florida Department of Education and the District Strategic Plan

Florida Education Priorities (1000.3(5)(a)-(f), F.S.)

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X	X	X	X	X

GOAL 9 STATEMENT:

The goal of Olinda Elementary School is to develop life-long learners with the skills to achieve personal and academic success.

Needs Assessment

During the 2005-2006 school year, forty students participated in the Academic Excellence Program. Based on a need for developing critical thinking skills, students will benefit from increased participation in the Academic Excellence Program.

Given emphasis on the benefits of participating in advanced academic programs, the number of students enrolled in the Academic Excellence Program will increase by 10% during the 2006-2007 school year as compared to the 2005-2006 school year.

Action Steps

	PERSONS RESPONSIBLE	TIME	ELINE		
STRATEGIES	(Identify by titles)	START	END	ALIGNMENT	BUDGET
Provide professional development to the AEP teachers in the areas of critical thinking, problem solving and creative thinking.	Principal	8/14/06	5/30/07	District Strategic Plan	\$0.00
Analyze student achievement scores to determine eligibility into the AEP.	Department Chairs	8/14/06	5/30/07	District Strategic	\$0.00
Communicate to parents the goals and objectives of the AEP and provide activities that support these goals.	Principal	8/14/06	5/30/07	District Strategic Plan	\$0.00
Provide students with three hours of hands-on instruction on a weekly basis to increase critical thinking skills.	AEP Teachers	8/14/06	5/30/07	District Strategic Plan	\$0.00
Afford students the opportunity to participate in Art Fairs and Chess competitions to apply the skills they have acquired.	AEP Teachers	8/14/06	5/30/07	District Strategic Plan	\$500.00

Research-Based Programs

Not applicable

Professional Development

Professional development will be provided to the Academic Excellence Teachers focused on chess and Technology. Additionally, teachers are encouraged to participate in district workshops and in-services that support student needs.

Evaluation

The summative evaluation component will include the total participation rate in AEP during the 2006-2007 school year as compared to the 2005-2006. Quarterly attendance logs will be reviewed to monitor progress towards the objective.

GOAL 10: RETURN ON INVESTMENT

Alignment of Objective to the Florida Department of Education and the District Strategic Plan

Florida Education Priorities (1000.3(5)(a)-(f), F.S.)

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	X	X	X		

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		achievement.		
X	X	X	X	X

GOAL 10 STATEMENT:

Olinda Elementary school will rank at or above the 90th percentile statewide in the Return on Investment (ROI) index of value and cost effectiveness of its programs.

Needs Assessment

The most recent data supplied from the FLDOE indicate that in 2004, Olinda Elementary ranked in thirteenth percentile on the State of Florida ROI Index.

Olinda Elementary School will improve its ranking on the State of Florida ROI index publication from the thirteenth percentile in 2004 to the fourteenth percentile on the next publication of the index.

Action Steps

	PERSONS RESPONSIBLE	TIMELINE			
STRATEGIES	(Identify by titles)	START	END	ALIGNMENT	BUDGET
Become more informed about the use of financial resources in relation to school programs.	Principal	8/14/06	5/30/07	District Strategic Plan	\$0.00
Collaborate with the district on resource allocation.	Principal	8/14/06	5/30/07	District Strategic	\$0.00
Consider reconfiguration of existing resources or take advantage of a broader resource base, e.g. private foundations, volunteer networks.	Principal	8/14/06	5/30/07	District Strategic Plan	\$0.00
Consider shared use of facilities, partnering with community agencies.	Principal	8/14/06	5/30/07	District Strategic	\$0.00

Research-Based Programs

Not Applicable

Professional Development

Not Applicable

Evaluation

On the next State of Florida ROI Index publication, Olinda Elementary School will show progress toward reaching the fourteenth percentile.

EESAC Compliance

YES	NO	
X		The majority of the Board of Directors/EESAC members are not employed by the school. The Board of Directors SAC is composed of the principal, and an appropriately balanced number of teachers, education support employees, students (for middle, junior high and high school only), parents, and other business and community citizens who are representative of the ethnic, racial, and economic community served by the school.

Budget:

The Educational Excellence School Advisory Council reviewed the annual school budget and made suggestions on spending monies.

Training:

The Educational Excellence School Advisory Council presented to teachers and staff members changes that occurred in the School Improvement Plan, as well as information pertaining to District or Regional Center initiatives.

Instructional Materials:

The Educational Excellence School Advisory Council reviewed samples of supplemental materials created to enhance classroom instruction.

Technology:

The Educational Excellence School Advisory Council supported the Accelerated Reader program by allocating part of its budget to purchase incentives, rewards and materials for students participating in the program.

Staffing:

The Educational Excellence School Advisory Council actively participated in the Extended School Day Program.

Student Support Services:

The Educational Excellence School Advisory Council supported the child study team and counseling services provided both by the school guidance counselor and outside mental services.

Other Matters of Resource Allocation:

The Educational Excellence School Advisory Council (EESAC) met at the beginning of the school year to discuss Olinda Elementary's goals, objectives and needs. Following a needs assessment, the EESAC decided upon the most effective way to spend funds.

Benchmarking:

The Educational Excellence School Advisory Council met on a regular basis to monitor the benchmarking strategies stated in the School Performance Excellence Plan.

School Safety & Discipline:

The Educational Excellence School Advisory Council served on the School Saftey Committee and strongly supported the adherence to the student code of conduct.

Budget Summary

BY GOAL	TOTAL BUDGET
Goal 1: Reading	\$24,200.00
Goal 2: Mathematics	\$7,500.00
Goal 3: Writing	\$2,500.00
Goal 4: Science	\$2,500.00
Goal 5: Parental Involvement	\$0.00
Goal 6: Discipline & Safety	\$500.00
Goal 7: Technology	\$0.00
Goal 8: Health & Physical Fitness	\$100.00
Goal 9: Electives & Special Areas	\$500.00
Goal 10: Return On Investment	\$0.00
Total:	\$37,800.00

This School Improvement Plan has been developed cooperatively by administrators, teachers, parents, students, and business/community representatives.

The original signature page, including signatures of all persons listed below, is on file at the Region Office.

Required Signatures:	
EESAC Chair	
UTD Steward	
EESAC Parent Representative	
EESAC Business/Community Representative	
EESAC Student Representative, as applicable	

Additionally, the signature of the Region Superintendent/District Administrator certifies that this plan has been reviewed by appropriate personnel to ensure compliance with state and district rules.

Region Superintendent	