SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT PLAN 2006-2007



School Name: 4121 - Opa-locka Elementary School

FeederPattern: Hialeah-Miami Lakes Senior

Region: Regional Center I

District: 13 - Miami-Dade

Principal: Susan Trauschke-McEachin

Superintendent: Rudolph F. Crew, Ed.D.



SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT PLAN EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Opa-locka Elementary School

Opa-locka Elementary School serves 510 students in kindergarten through grade six and 17 pre-kindergarten students in an urban neighborhood nestled in the heart of Opa-locka's historic district. Built in 1937, the school is a state-of-the-art facility emphasizing excellent instruction for all students, as well as being a Connect Health program providing medical, vision, and counseling services for all students. The ethnic distribution of the student population is 65 percent Black, 34 percent Hispanic and one percent White, Asian, and/or multi-racial students. Opa-locka Elementary School receives Title I funding and offers a variety of programs to meet our students' needs. An Academic Excellence Program (AEP) is implemented for students who benefit from enrichment instruction by participation in chess and drama/public speaking clubs. Our Special Education program offers students with disabilities differentiated instruction through both the inclusion and resource models. Our ESOL program offers our Limited English Proficient students the opportunity to excel in both their home language as well as English. Other programs include Accelerated Reader (AR), Reading Plus, Read 180, Soar to Success/Early Success and Voyager.

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Given instruction based on the Sunshine State Standards, 51 percent of Black students in grades 3 - 6 will score at/or above achievement level 3 on the 2007 Reading FCAT SSS.

Given instruction based on the Sunshine State Standards, 51 percent of Economically Disadvantaged students in grades 3 - 6 will score at/or above achievement level 3 on the 2007 Reading FCAT SSS.

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Given instruction based on the Sunshine State Standards, 56 percent of Hispanic students in grades 3 - 6 will score at/or above achievement level 3 on the 2007 Mathematics FCAT SSS.

Given instruction based on the Sunshine State Standards, 56 percent of Economically Disadvantaged students in grades 3 - 6 will score at/or above achievement level 3 on the 2007 Mathematics FCAT SSS.

Given instruction based on the Sunshine State Standards, 73 percent of fourth grade students will score 3.5 and aove on the 2007 FCAT Writing Plus Assessment.

Given instruction on the Sunshine State Standards fifth grade students will improve their science skills as evidenced by 31 percent reaching the state required mastery level as evidenced by scores on the 2007 Science FCAT.

Given the school-wide emphasis on parental and community involvement, Opa-locka Elementary School will increase parental and community interaction by 5 percent as evidenced by 2006-07 Title I reports.

Given an emphasis on a safe and orderly environment, student behavior will improve at Opa-locka Elementary School. The number of indoor suspensions will decrease to less than 10 students and the number of outdoor suspensions will decrease to less than 20 students.

Given an emphasis on the use of technology in education, students and teachers will have increased access to technology and technology-based programs.

Given instruction based on the M-DCPS FITNESSGRAM standards, percentage of students in grades four and five eligible to receive gold and silver awards will increase to 50 perent.

Given emphasis on the benefits of participating in Advanced Academic programs, 60 students will enroll and participate in Academic Excellence programs during the 2006-2007 school year.

On the next State of Florida ROI index publication, Opa-locka Elementary School will show progress toward reaching the 50th percentile.

Results from the 2006-07 Organizational Performance Improvement Snapshot Survey indicated two areas in need of improvement: "I know how well my organization is doing financially" with a score of 3.6 and "I can get all the resources I need to do my Job" with a score of 3.7.

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.

Opa-locka Elementary School

VISION

Opa-locka Elementary School provides the best possible educational experiences for our students, thereby allowing them to achieve their maximum potential. Our Health Connect facility meets the needs of the whole child.

MISSION

The Opa-locka Elementary School administrative team, faculty, support staff, parents, students and community believe that all children can learn and acquire the academic competencies which will enable them to be productive contributors to society.

CORE VALUES

Opa-locka Elementary School believes

Excellence - All students can be successful learners.

Excellence - Professional staff development enhances a quality school.

Integrity - Parent and community involvement enhance student achievement.

Citizenship - A safe and secure environment is essential for teaching and learning.

School Demographics

Opa-locka Elementary School serves 510 children in kindergarten through grade six and 17 pre-kindergarten children in an urban neighborhood nestled in the heart of Opa-locka's historical district. The ethnic distribution of the student population is 65 percent Black, 34 percent Hispanic, and one percent White, Asian and/or multi-racial students. Opa-locka Elementary School receives Title I funding, with 98 percent of the students eligible for free and reduced lunch. Built in 1937, the school is a state-of-the-art facility emphasizing excellent instruction for all students, as well as being a Health Connect center providing medical, vision, and counseling services for all students.

Opa-locka Elementary School has 26 classroom teachers, a guidance counselor, a speech/language pathologist, two special education teachers, an art, music, media specialist, ESOL, Spanish and Spanish as a second language teacher and two physical education teachers. Our staff also includes two reading coaches, a micro systems technician, three full-time paraprofessionals, one part-time paraprofessional and one pool substitute. We have eight cafeteria workers, one full-time and two part-time security monitors, and four custodians. Through community outreach, our community involvement specialist strives to meet the needs of our students and parents. We have four clerical staff members who assist with registration, data input, purchasing and parental concerns. Opa-locka Elementary School's administrative team includes one principal and one assistant principal.

Twenty-seven percent of our staff have masters degrees, fourteen percent have specialists degrees and three percent have doctorate degrees. The average years of service of our staff in Florida is 16 years. The ethnicity of our staff is 58 percent Black, 16 percent Hispanic, and 24 percent White and two percent Asian/American Indian. One teacher attained National Board Certification in 2004-2005.

School Foundation

Leadership:

The findings of the Organizational Performance Improvement Snapshot Survey (OPIS) provided a score of 4.4 indicating strength in the area of leadership. The administration will continue to provide strong leadership and strengthen the role of support personnel.

District Strategic Planning Alignment:

The findings of the OPIS provided a score of 4.2 indicating strength in the area of District strategic planning alignment. All stakeholders will continue to be actively engaged in the eductional process.

Stakeholder Engagement:

The findings of the OPIS provided a score of 4.2 indicating strength in the area of stakeholder engagement. All stakeholders will continue to be actively engaged by participation in all learning community functions such as EESAC, training programs, volunteer programs and various student activities.

Faculty & Staff:

The findings of the OPIS provided a score of 4.1 indicating strength in the area of faculty and staff. The administration will continue to foster collaborative planning through TEC workshops, grade level meetings and provessional development team sharing sessions.

Data/Information/Knowledge Management:

The findings of the OPIS provided a score of 4.3 indicating strength in the area of data information and knowledge management. Student progress will be assessed and monitored continuously. Data will be used to identify areas of need and to select appropriate instruction/intervention.

Education Design:

The findings of the OPIS provided a score of 4.0 indicating strength in the area of education design. Opa-locka Elementary will implement with fidelity, the District recommended CIM program and learning communities to drive the instructional program and enhance school performance.

Performance Results:

The findings of the OPIS provided a score of 4.3 indicating strength in the area of performance results.

Additional Requirements

Only for schools under state sanction

• High Quality, Highly Qualified T	Ceachers:
• Highly Qualified, Certified Admi	inistrators:
• Teacher Mentoring:	
• School Advisory Council:	
• Extended Learning Opportunitie	<u>es</u>
• School Wide Improvement Mode	<u>el</u>

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.)

levels, inc	and completion at all luding increased high iduation and readiness secondary 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	X

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		achievement.		
X	X	X	X	X

GOAL 1 STATEMENT:

All students will continue to make learning gains sufficient to acquire the knowledge, skills and competencies needed to master state standards in the area of reading.

Needs Assessment

The results of the 2006 Reading FCAT indicate that 46 percent of the students tested in grades three through six at Opa-locka Elementary School scored at or above achievement level 3, with 48 percent of students tested making learning gains. The data hold true regardless of student category due to the fact that our student population is small, with few subgroups. Our three subgroups include Free and Reduced Lunch, Black and Hispanic. These subgroups scored an average of 41 percent in reading proficiency. More specifically, the data indicate that our students performed slightly below the state average on the four clusters in the mean points earned by content section. The scores were evenly distributed across the clusters at each grade level. The average percentage earned in the four clusters is as follows: third grade (49 percent), fourth grade (56 percent), fifth grade (48 percent) and sixth grade (52 percent).

NCLB SUBGROUP TARGET

TOTAL	WHITE	BLACK	HISPANIC	ASIAN	NATIVE AMERICAN	F/R LUNCH	LEP	SWD	LEVEL I	LOWEST 25%	OTHER	GRADUATIO N RATE
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Given instruction based on the Sunshine State Standards, 51 percent of Economically Disadvantaged students in grades 3 - 6 will score at/or above achievement level 3 on the 2007 Reading FCAT SSS.

Action Steps

	PERSONS RESPONSIBLE	TIME	LINE		
STRATEGIES	(Identify by titles)	START	END	ALIGNMENT	BUDGET
Incorporate the Accelerated Reader (AR)	Administrators	08/07/06	06/01/07	District Strategic	\$500.00
program into the curriculum using a passing	Media Specialist			Plan	
criteria of 80 mastery on AR assessments to	Classroom Teachers				
increase comprehension.					
Use the Voyager Passport program to	Administrators	08/07/06	06/01/07	District Strategic	\$7500.00
improve the reading scores of grade three	Classroom Teachers			Plan	
Tier 2 and Tier 3 students by at least 10	Reading Coaches				
percent on the 2006 Reading FCAT NRT.	Curriculum Support Specialists				
Utilize computer assisted programs such as	Administrators	07/07/06	06/01/07	District Strategic	\$1500.00
READ 180 and Reading Plus to improve the	Classroom Teachers			Plan	
reading performance scores of the struggling	Computer Technician				
students in the bottom quartile by at least 10	Media Specialist				
percent.					
Monitor the School Improvement Zone	Administrators	08/07/06	06/01/07	District Strategic	\$5000.00
Extended Day programs (Early Success/Soar	Reading Coach			Plan	
to Success/Enrichment) to target specific	Classroom Teachers				
needs and provide an immediate intervention					
to increase the percentage of students scoring					
Levels 3-5 from 46 percent to 51 percent on					
the 2007 FCAT.					
Utilize IBM Family Literacy Grant to	Grant Facilitator	09/01/06	06/01/07	District Strategic	\$10000.00
improve reading performance of	Reading Coach			Plan	
Economically Disadvantaged subgroup by 10	Administrator				
percent on the DIBELS progress monitoring	Kindergarten - Grade 2 Teachers				
tests.					
Implement a series of parent workshops	Administrators	08/07/06	06/01/07	District Strategic	\$0.00
designed to provide Black and Hispanic	Reading Coaches			Plan	

parents with viable strategies for helping their children increase their reading performance by 10 percent on the DIBELS progress monitoring tests.	Curriculum Support Specialists Community Involvement Specialist				
Utilize the CIM process and data	Administrators	08/07/06	06/01/07	District Strategic	\$0.00
disaggregation of available assessments	Classroom Teachers			Plan	
(DIBELS, FCAT, SAT, theme/benchmark	Reading Coaches				
tests, etc.) to drive instruction, to identify	Curriculum Support Specialists				
struggling students, and to provide	CIM Team				
appropriate interventions for those identified.	Learnng Communities				

Research-Based Programs

Houghton-Mifflin Reading, Florida Edition: A Legacy of Literacy (2003); Voyager; Houghton-Mifflin's Early Success/Soar to Success; Scholastic Read 180 and Read XL; and Reading Plus.

Professional Development

Teachers will participate in professional development in the following areas: Voyager Passport; Phonemic Awareness/Phonics; Vocabulary/Comprehension; Fluency and Creative Writing versus Formulative Writing.

Evaluation

This objective will be evaluated by student performance on the 2007 Reading FCAT. Evaluations will also include informal curriculum measures used daily/weekly and bi-weekly benchmark tests administered by the classroom.

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	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:

All students will make learning gains sufficient to acquire the knowledge, skills and competencies needed to master state standards in the area of mathematics.

Needs Assessment

Opa-locka Elementary School's mathematics scores on the 2006 administration of the FCAT Mathematics Test indicated that 38 percent of students tested in grades three through six scored as proficient in mathematics, with 48 percent of the students tested making learning gains. Analysis of these results reflects a decrease of 20 percentage points in the number of students making learning gains and a decrease of 9 percentage points in the number of students achieving high standards when compared with the 2005 FCAT mathematics results. This analysis shows an increase of level 1 students in mathematics in grades three through five. Our three subgroups are: Black, Hispanic, and Economically Disadvantaged. All other subgroup data show that remediation is needed specifically in the measurement and algebraic thinking strands. Each grade level needs to focus on identified strengths while using data driven instruction to remediate weaknesses.

NCLB SUBGROUP TARGET

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STRATEGIES	PERSONS RESPONSIBLE (Identify by titles)	START	END	ALIGNMENT	BUDGET
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Utilize collaborative planning in grade levels	Administrators	08/07/06	06/01/07	District Strategic	\$0.00
and departmentalized learning communities	Grade Level Chairpersons			Plan	
to discuss student data, redirect instruction	Mathematics				
and form flexible, prescriptive tutorials based	Leader				
on bi-weekly benchmark assessments	Learning Communities Facilitators				
Implement on-going professional	Administrators	08/07/06	06/01/07	District Strategic	\$0.00
development to ensure appropriate use of	Professional Development Team			Plan	
math manipulatives and hands-on activities.	Mathematics Leader				
	Learning Communities Facilitator				
Monitor the implementation of a state-	Administrators	08/07/06	06/01/07	District Strategic	\$0.00
adopted mathematics core program which is	Mathematics Leader			Plan	
aligned with the District Mathematics Pacing	Grade Level Chairpersons				
Guide - Harcourt, Florida Edition.	Classroom Teachers				
Implement a Saturday Academy tutorial	Administrators	10/15/06	02/10/07	District Strategic	\$20000.00
program for Economically Disadvantaged	Saturday School Coordinator			Plan	
students to improve mastery of benchmarks.	·				
Implement the Continuous Improvement	Administrators	08/07/06	06/01/07	District Strategic	\$0.00
Model and data driven instruction to better		00/07/00	00/01/07	Plan	ψυ.υυ
	CIM Towns			Pian	
meet the needs of Black and Hispanic	CIM Team				
students.	Grade Level Chairpersons				

Research-Based Programs

Harcourt Math, Florida Edition, Continuous Improvement Model (CIM), Acaletics

Professional Development

During the 2006–2007 school year, our staff will participate in professional development that will enhance our mathematics program and provide training in CRISS, Harcourt Mathematics Series, learning communities/action research and the Continuous Improvement Model (CIMS). Staff members will receive training facilitated by school-site personnel on how to effectively use manipulatives in the classroom, teacher collaboration, and review of the Sunshine State and District Mathematics standards. In-services will include model lessons and mentoring by the mathematics leader.

Evaluation

This objective will be evaluated by student performance on the 2007 Mathematics FCAT. Evaluations will also include informal curriculum measures used daily/weekly and bi-weekly benchmark tests administered by the classroom.

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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		achievement.		
X	X	X	X	X

GOAL 3 STATEMENT:

Students will continue to acquire the skills and competencies needed to achieve a level of proficiency that will meet State standards in the area of writing.

Needs Assessment

Results of the 2006 FCAT Writing indicate that 78 percent of the fourth grade students tested met State proficiency levels. Their combined mean score was 3.6. The students scores a mean score of 3.7 for expository writing and a mean score of 3.4 for narrative writing.

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Given instruction based on the Sunshine State Standards, 73 percent of fourth grade students will score 3.5 and aove on the 2007 FCAT Writing Plus Assessment.

Action Steps

	PERSONS RESPONSIBLE	TIME	ELINE		
STRATEGIES	(Identify by titles)	START	END	ALIGNMENT	BUDGET
Administer the District Writing Pre/post Tests to determine each student's writing level and provide instruction based on individual student needs.	Administrators Curriculum Support Specialists Grade Level Chairperson	08/07/06	06/01/07	District-wide literacy plan	\$0.00
Infuse CRISS strategies to improve writing skills and ability.	Administrators Curriculum Support Specialists Grade Level Chairperson	08/07/06	06/01/07	District-wide	\$0.00
Monitor the Zone Writing Program to remediate students scoring below 4.0 on the District writing pretest.	Administrators Curiculum Support Specialists Grade Level Chairperson	08/07/06	06/01/07	District-wide	\$0.00
Monitor the Houghton-Mifflin Writing Connections Core Program to improve student writing scores by 3 percent on the 2007 FCAT Writing Plus Assessment.	Administrators Curriculum Support Specialists Grade Level Chairperson	08/07/06	06/01/07	District-wide literacy plan	\$0.00

Research-Based Programs

Houghton-Mifflin, CRISS

Professional Development

Teachers will receive training in CRISS strategies, Learning Communities and the Houghton-Mifflin Core Literacy Program.

Evaluation

This objective will be evaluated by student performance on the 2007 FCAT Writing Plus Assessment. Monthly prompts and pre/post assessments will be used to drive instruction and monitor on-going progress.

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:

All students will make achievement gains sufficient to acquire the knowledge, skills and competencies needed to master State standards in the area of science.

Needs Assessment

Scores on the 2006 Science FCAT indicate that only 7 percent of fifth grade students met proficiency as evidenced by scoring levels 3 - 5. The needs assessment reveals that students in all subgroups require intensive remediation.

Given instruction on the Sunshine State Standards fifth grade students will improve their science skills as evidenced by 31 percent reaching the state required mastery level as evidenced by scores on the 2007 Science FCAT.

Action Steps

	PERSONS RESPONSIBLE	TIME	ELINE		
STRATEGIES	(Identify by titles)	START	END	ALIGNMENT	BUDGET
Incorporate effective teaching strategies using CIMS model and learning communities to develop the students' understanding of the	Administrators Science Lab Facilitator Classroom Teachers	08/07/06	06/01/07	District Strategic Plan	\$0.00
scientific concepts through classroom activities and project-based learning.					
Infuse CRISS strategies into our science classes to increase our percentage of students scoring at profeciency (levels 3 - 5) on the 2007 FCAT.	Administrators Classroom teacher	08/07/06	06/01/07	District Strategic Plan	\$0.00
Encourage parental involvement in Science related projects to increase the number of student projects submitted in the 2007 Science Fair.	Administrators Science Chairperson Classroom Teachers	08/07/06	06/01/07	District Strategic Plan	\$1000.00
Establish a fully functional science lab for students in grades 3- 6 to ensure hands-on discovery learning and skill mastery.	Science Chairperson Science Lab Facilitator Administration Curriculum Support Specialists	08/07/06	06/01/07	District Strategic Plan	\$8000.00
Monitor the implementation of a science pacing guide to ensure that all Sunshine State Standards are being taught and mastered.	Administrators Curriculum Support Specialists Grade Level Chairpersons	08/07/06	06/01/07	District Strategic Plan	\$0.00
Disaggregate and analyze data to identify strengths and weaknesses of fifth grade students.	Administrators Classroom Teachers Science Lab Facilitator	08/07/06	06/01/07	District Strategic Plan	\$0.00
Conduct staff development workshops to promote the teaching od science process skills.	CIM Team Administration Science Lab Facilitator	08/07/06	06/01/07	District Strategic Plan	\$500.00

Research-Based Programs

Harcourt Science

Professional Development

Teachers will participate in professional development in the following areas: use of technology in the classroom, use of the project-based hands-on activities, managing and guiding cooperative groups, learning communities and strategies to maximize learning opportunities as provided by the District.

Evaluation

This objective will be evaluated by student performance on the 2007 Science FCAT. In addition, monthly School Improvement Zone assessments and participation in the 2007 Science Fair will be utilized to monitor progress and drive instruction.

GOAL 5: PARENTAL INVOLVEMENT

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

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		achievement.		
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GOAL 5 STATEMENT:

Opa-locka Elementary School will increase parental involvement.

Needs Assessment

The 2005-2006 Title I Parental Involvement rosters and reports indicate a 5 percent increase in the level of parental involvement and only 25 percent of parents actively involved in workshops and school activities.

Given the school-wide emphasis on parental and community involvement, Opa-locka Elementary School will increase parental and community interaction by 5 percent as evidenced by 2006-07 Title I reports.

Action Steps

	PERSONS RESPONSIBLE	TIME	LINE		
STRATEGIES	(Identify by titles)	START	END	ALIGNMENT	BUDGET
Increase participation in parent workshops	Administators	08/07/06	06/01/07	District Strategic	\$0.00
and Parent Academy courses to support	Community Involvement Specialist			Plan	
educational programs and improve student	Reading Coach				
achievement.	School Social Worker				
Encourage positive parent/school	Administrators	08/07/06	06/01/07	District Strategic	\$0.00
communication by using Connect Ed	Community Involvement Specialist			Plan	
communication systems, flyers, parent	Reading Coaches				
conferences and parent initiated activities to					
increase parental awareness of upcoming					
school events, policies and procedures.					
Provide and maintain a Parent Resource	Administrators	08/07/06	06/01/07	District Strategic	\$30000.00
Center with instructional materials and	Community Involvement Specialist			Plan	
activities that support student learning and	Reading Coaches				
achievement.	Media Specialist				
Increase participation and improve home-	Administrators	08/07/06	06/01/07	District Strategic	\$500.00
school relationships with Limited English	Bilingual Department			Plan	
Proficient (LEP) parents by providing					
translators/translations of communication and					
workshop materials.					
Increase the number of home visits by 10	Administrators	08/07/06	06/01/07	District Strategic	\$500.00
percent to improve parent participation.	Community Involvement Specialist			Plan	
	School Social Worker				
Provide opportunities for parents to	Administrators	08/07/06	06/01/07	District Strategic	\$0.00
participate in school events to improve home-	Community Involvement Specialist			Plan	
school relationships.	•				

Research-Based Programs

National Standards Parental Involvement Program

Professional Development

The Community Involvement Specialist will attend the Title I and School Improvement Zone professional development initiatives, Title I Parent Involvement Conference and the 2007 National Coalition for the Title I Parental Involvement Conference. School staff will receive professional development to support increased parental involvement.

Evaluation

This objective will be evaluated by analyzing participation data including: the 2006-2007 parental involvement attendance rosters, including Title I meetings, District Advisory Counsel (DAC) meetings, workshops, Open House, report card pick-up nights, and returned signed compacts and contracts.

GOAL 6: DISCIPLINE & SAFETY

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X	X	X	X	X

GOAL 6 STATEMENT:

Opa-locka Elementary School will provide a safe and orderly learning environment for all students.

Needs Assessment

Analysis of data provided by Cognos indicate that 5.2 percent of students (25 students) served in-school suspensions and 8.5 percent of students (43 students) served outdoor suspensions.

Given an emphasis on a safe and orderly environment, student behavior will improve at Opa-locka Elementary School. The number of indoor suspensions will decrease to less than 10 students and the number of outdoor suspensions will decrease to less than 20 students.

Action Steps

	PERSONS RESPONSIBLE	TIME	LINE		
STRATEGIES	(Identify by titles)	START	END	ALIGNMENT	BUDGET
Provide developmental group counseling for	Administrators	08/07/06	06/01/07	District Strategic	\$0.00
students who have been suspended to reduce	Guidance Counselor			Plan	
the number of discipline referrals.					
Initiate an anti-bullying campaign to reduce	Administrators	08/07/06	06/01/07	District Strategic	\$0.00
the number of SCMs (code 22).	Guidance Counselor			Plan	
Expand our Non-Violence Ambassador	Guidance Counselor	08/07/06	06/01/07	District Strategic	\$10000.00
Program in partnership with the City of Opa-	Administrator			Plan	
locka Police Department	City of Opa-locka Police				
	Department				
Implement a school-wide discipline and	Administrators	08/07/06	06/01/07	District Strategic	\$0.00
procedures plan based on the collaborative	Classroom Teachers			Plan	
efforts of faculty and staff.	Discipline Committee				
	Guidance Counselor				
Utilize students as peer mediators to address	Administrators	08/07/06	06/01/07	District Strategic	\$0.00
the number of disciplinary referrals.	Guidance Counselor			Plan	
Monitor the Proudly Infusing Non-Violence	Administrators	08/07/06	06/01/07	District Strategic	\$0.00
Program to lower the number of discipline	Proud Facilitator			Plan	
referrals.	Guidance Counselor				
	Social Studies Teachers				

Research-Based Programs

Project PROUD (Peacefully Resolving Our Unsettled Differences) "How To Be An Effective Teacher" – Harry and Rosemary Wong

Professional Development

During the 2006-2007 school year, the Opa-locka Elementary faculty and staff will participate in professional development using learning communities as a vehicle for supporting the school-wide discipline plan.

Evaluation

This objective will be evaluated by number of student suspensions as reported in Cognos.

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.)

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	X

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Ensure achievement of h	igh Develop our students so that	community members to become	Reform business practices to	Recruit, develop and retain
academic standards by a	they are able to successfully	our partners in raising and	ensure efficiency, effectiveness	high-performing, diverse, and
students.	compete in the global economy.	maintaining high student	and high ethical standards.	motivated faculty and staff.
		achievement.		
X	X	X	X	X

GOAL 7 STATEMENT:

Integrate technology in all curricular areas as a strategy to improve student achievement. Promote equitable and universal student access to contemporary technology-based learning tools, including the Internet, grade appropriate instructional software and specialized digital tools (such as video and/or sound devices, presentation equipment, and computer-based math and literacy programs).

Needs Assessment

Results of the 2005-2006 Reading Plus usage reports indicate that fewer than 10 percent of students in grades 2 - 6 had sufficient usage to successfully complete the program. Results of the 2005-2006 Accelerated Reader (AR) reports indicate that fewer than 25 percent of students read and successfully passed 10 or more AR tests.

Given an emphasis on the use of technology in education, students and teachers will have increased access to technology and technology-based programs.

Action Steps

	PERSONS RESPONSIBLE	TIMELINE			
STRATEGIES	(Identify by titles)	START	END	ALIGNMENT	BUDGET
Utilize available resources to purchase	Administrators	08/7/06	06/01/07	District Strategic	\$30000.00
additional hardware and software to meet	Media Specialist			Plan	
current technology needs.	MicroSystems Tech				
Monitor level of student involvement in the	Administrators	08/07/06	06/01/07	District Strategic	\$0.00
various computer and web-based educational	Media Specialist			Plan	
programs to ensure on-going student progress	Technology Facilitator				
in AR and Reading Plus.					
Monitor	Administrators	08/7/06	06/01/07	District Strategic	\$0.00
the use of the Excelsior Electronic Gradebook	Systems User Support (SUS)			Plan	
to ensure accurate record keeping.	Gradebook Manager				

Research-Based Programs

Reading Plus
Read 180
FCAT Explorer / Riverdeep
Accelerated Reader

Professional Development

Provide professional development for teachers and administrators in the use of educational software to enhance student learning.

Evaluation

This objective will be evaluated by Read 180, Accelerated Reader and Reading Plus student usage reports.

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.)

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X	X	X	X	X	X

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		achievement.		
X	X	X	X	X

GOAL 8 STATEMENT:

To increase student participation and performance in physical fitness activities.

Needs Assessment

The results of the 2005-2006 FITNESSGRAM indicate that 48 percent of the students tested in grades four and five at Opa-locka Elementary School received a gold card by scoring 100 percent and/or a silver card on the Presidential Fitness Test by scoring 83 percent.

Given instruction based on the M-DCPS FITNESSGRAM standards, percentage of students in grades four and five eligible to receive gold and silver awards will increase to 50 perent.

Action Steps

	PERSONS RESPONSIBLE	TIME	LINE		
STRATEGIES	(Identify by titles)	START	END	ALIGNMENT	BUDGET
Align and monitor an action plan to District	Administrators	08/07/06	06/01/07	District Strategic	\$0.00
goals and objectives.	Physical Education Teachers		<u> </u>	Plan	
Utilize FITNESSGRAM to complete pre and	Administrators	08/07/06	06/01/07	District Strategic	\$0.00
post test data for students in grades four and	Physical Education Teachers			Plan	
five in order to determine attainment of goals					
and objectives					
Provide health and nutrition lessons and	Health Connect Coordinator	10/01/06	06/01/07	District Strategic	\$200.00
presentations to improve student nutrition.	Administration			Plan	
	Classroom Teachers				

Research-Based Programs

FITNESSGRAM

Professional Development

District-wide Physical Education and Health professional development activities

Evaluation

This objective will be evaluated by the results of the 2006-07 FITNESSGRAM Test.

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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		achievement.		
X	X	X	X	X

GOAL 9 STATEMENT:

Increase student participation in Academic Excellence Programs.

Needs Assessment

In 2005-2006, 34 students were enrolled and actively participating in our Academic Excellence Programs. Based on the small number of students who participated in the Academic Excellence Programs in 2005-2006, there is a need to increase enrollment in this program for the 2006-2007 school year.

Given emphasis on the benefits of participating in Advanced Academic programs, 60 students will enroll and participate in Academic Excellence programs during the 2006-2007 school year.

Action Steps

	PERSONS RESPONSIBLE	TIMELINE			
STRATEGIES	(Identify by titles)	START	END	ALIGNMENT	BUDGET
Contact parents of all eligible students to	Administrators	09/11/06	06/01/07	District Strategic	\$0.00
encourage participation.	Academic Excellence Teachers			Plan	
Develop strategies to increase participation for identified subgroups in the academic excellence program.	Administrators Academic Excellence Teachers	08/20/06	06/01/07	District Strategic Plan	\$0.00
Participate in competitions and performances.	Administrators Academic Excellence Teachers	12/01/06	06/01/07	District Strategic	\$0.00
Provide professional development to Academic Excellence teachers to ensure quality delivery of instruction.	Administrators District	09/01/06	06/01/07	District Strategic Plan	\$0.00

Research-Based Programs

CRISS

Professional Development

District provided professional development activities for chess and drama/public speaking.

Evaluation

This objective will be evaluated by Academic Excellence attendance rosters.

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.)

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	X

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		achievement.		
X	X	X	X	X

GOAL 10 STATEMENT:

Opa-locka Elementary School will rank at or above the 50th percentile statewide in the ROI index of value and cost effectiveness of its programs.

Needs Assessment

The most recent data supplied from the FLDOE indicates that in 2004-05 Opa-locka Elementary School ranked at the 41st percentile on the State of Florida ROI index.

On the next State of Florida ROI index publication, Opa-locka Elementary School will show progress toward reaching the 50th percentile.

Action Steps

	PERSONS RESPONSIBLE	TIMELINE			
STRATEGIES	(Identify by titles)	START	END	ALIGNMENT	BUDGET
Consider reconfiguration of existing resources or taking advantage of a broader	Principal	08/07/06	06/01/07	District Strategic Plan	\$0.00
resource base, e.g. private foundations, volunteer networks.					
Consider shared use of facilities, partnering with community agencies.	Principal	08/07/06	06/01/07	District Strategic	\$0.00
Collaborate with the District on resource allocation.	Principal	08/07/06	06/01/07	District Strategic	\$0.00
Monitor the FR0508 and other district reports to ensure good fiscal decisions.	Principal	08/07/06	06/01/07	District Strategic	\$0.00

Research-Based Programs

Not applicable

Professional Development

The principal will attend professional development provided by the District which focus on budget and internal funds.

Evaluation

This objective will be evaluated by the State of Florida ROI index publication.

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 EESAC will work with the administration on budgetary matters and will conduct workshops with regard to the 2006-2007 budget.

Training:

The EESAC will sponsor training in the Comprehensive Research-Based Reading Plan, Learning Communities, Continuous Improvement Model (CIM), Brain Research and CRISS Strategies for all teachers.

Instructional Materials:

The EESAC will continue to provide necessary funding to enhance classroom instruction by purchasing appropriate videos, books and other reading materials for the media center.

Technology:

The EESAC will continue to provide professional development and purchase of software and hardware to support the Accelerated Reader, Reading Plus Program and other assorted educational programs.

Staffing:

The EESAC has no recommendations to make at this time.

Student Support Services:

The EESAC will continue to address the needs of the students as expressed by students and student support staff members attending EESAC meetings.

Other Matters of Resource Allocation:

The EESAC has no matters of resource allocation at this time.

Benchmarking:

The EESAC will be part of the on-going monitoring process to assess student performance on specific benchmarks that will be documented using specific pre/post and progress tests developed to meet the needs of our students.

School Safety & Discipline:

The EESAC will continue to support the administration and the discipline committee to ensure a safe learning environment.

Budget Summary

BY GOAL	TOTAL BUDGET
Goal 1: Reading	\$24,500.00
Goal 2: Mathematics	\$20,000.00
Goal 3: Writing	\$0.00
Goal 4: Science	\$9,500.00
Goal 5: Parental Involvement	\$31,000.00
Goal 6: Discipline & Safety	\$10,000.00
Goal 7: Technology	\$30,000.00
Goal 8: Health & Physical Fitness	\$200.00
Goal 9: Electives & Special Areas	\$0.00
Goal 10: Return On Investment	\$0.00
Total:	\$125,200.00

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	
enature of the Region Superintendent/District Administrative wed by appropriate personnel to ensure compliance w	
Region Superintendent	