SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT PLAN 2006-2007



School Name: 4741 - Royal Green Elementary School

FeederPattern: G. Holmes Braddock Senior

Region: Regional Center V

District: 13 - Miami-Dade

Principal: Alba Misas

Superintendent: Rudolph F. Crew, Ed.D.



SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT PLAN EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Royal Green Elementary School

Royal Green Elementary, located in southwest Miami-Dade County, has a student population of about 88% Hispanic; 7% White, non-Hispanic; and 3% Black/Indian/Asian/Multi-racial. About 67% of the 792 students participate in the free/reduced lunch program. The staff of Royal Green Elementary, in cooperation with the Educational Excellence School Advisory Council, has identified the following measurable objectives as our 2006-2007 action plan for school improvement.

Given instruction based on the Sunshine State Standards, students in grades 3-5 will increase their reading skills as evidenced by 67% scoring Level 3 or above on the 2007 FCAT Reading Assessment.

Given instruction based on the Sunshine State Standards, Students with Disabilities in grades 3-5 will increase their reading skills as evidenced by 51% scoring Level 3 or above on the 2007 administration of the FCAT Reading Assessment.

Given instruction based on the Sunshine State Standards, students in grades 3-5 will increase their mathematical skills as evidenced by 63% scoring Level 3 or above on the 2007 FCAT Mathematics Assessment.

Given instruction based on the Sunshine State Standards, Students with Disabilities in grades 3-5 will increase their mathematical skills as evidenced by 56% scoring Level 3 or above on the 2007 administration of the FCAT Mathematics Assessment.

Given instruction based on the Sunshine State Standards, all students in grade 4 will increase their writing to 84% scoring 3.5 or above on the 2007 administration of the FCAT Writing + Assessment.

Given instruction using the Sunshine State Standards, students in grade 5 will increase their scientific skills as evidenced by 65% scoring Level 3 or above on the 2007 administration of the FCAT Science Assessment.

Given the importance of parental involvement, the amount of parental involvement will increase by 30 parents as evidenced by sign in logs during the 2006-2007 school year.

Given the Code of Student Conduct and an emphasis on a safe learning environment, an average of 20 detentions per nine week period will decrease by 5%.

Given the integration of technology into the curriculum, students will continue to increase their technological usage by 10% as evidenced by comparing the Reading Plus Summary Reports from

September 2006 to May 2007.

Given instruction based on the Sunshine State Standards, students in grades 3-5 will increase their physical fitness as evidenced by 66.2% of the students tested receiving silver and gold awards on the 2007 FITNESSGRAM test.

Given instruction in the arts, students in grades 3-5 will increase their arts appreciation skills by a minimum of 100 students as evidenced by participation in exhibits and chorus, comparing September 2006 and May 2007 results.

Royal Green Elementary School will improve its ranking on the State of Florida ROI Index publication from the 59th percentile in 2004-2005 to the 61st percentile on the next publication of the index.

Based on the results of the Organizational Performance Improvement Improvement Snapshot(OPIS) survey, the school has identified Process Management and Strategic Planning as the two areas for improvement. Schoolwide committees have been organized and implemented. The administration identified "teacher leaders" as chairpersons and co-chairpersons of the committees. Action plans have been developed by each committee outlining an instructional focus and its goals for the 2006-2007 school year. Learning communities have been established and meetings are held monthly in order to monitor improvement in the areas of Process Management and Strategic Planning.

The administration, staff and community have conferred and are initiating the following measures to successfully achieve our goals; identify special and general education students who need additional assistance in order to succeed academically, provide instructional strategies to meet the needs of all students in all academic areas, increase the use of technology among staff and students, motivate students to come to school using the arts and physical education and provide a safe learning environment for all. A common thread among these initiatives is parental involvement for without the support and assistance from the community, nothing can be accomplished. The planned objectives and strategies will involve parents, students, staff and community in promoting emotional growth and academic improvement in a safe learning environment.

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.

Royal Green Elementary School

VISION

Royal Green Elementary School enriches the community through: the conveyance of the cultural heritage of our community and the nation; the provision of the best possible educational experiences to our students and the surrounding community; the extension of the services to the school to encompass the needs of the whole individual; and the provision of a center of community activities.

MISSION

Royal Green Elementary will strive to promote emotional growth and academic improvement in a safe learning environment with involvement and commitment from parents, students, staff, and community.

CORE VALUES

Royal Green Elementary holds the following beliefs as the motivation for all endeavors undertaken by the school: We are dedicated to quality of service, quality of relationships, and quality of communication. We believe that we should be, for all who are involved, a place of realized potential; and we believe that our responsibility is to our students, to our employees, and to the community and society that we serve.

School Demographics

Royal Green Elementary School, located in southwest Miami-Dade County, has a pre-kindergarten through fifth grade student population of about 88% Hispanic, 7% White, non-Hispanic, and 3% Black/Indian/Asian/Multi-racial. About 67% of 792 students participate in the free/reduced lunch program. The average attendance for the previous school year was 95.12%.

Our school staff has diverse ethnicities, consisting of 85.5% Hispanic, 12.5% White, non-Hispanic, and 2% Black/Indian/Asian/Multi-racial.

Royal Green employs 88 full-time staff members and 32 part time staff members. Of this group, two are administrators, forty-eight are general education teachers, thirteen are special education teachers, one is a Program Specialist, one is a Reading Coach, one is a guidance counselor, one is a media specialist, six are full time classroom paraprofessionals, two are one-on-one full time paraprofessionals, five are full-time clerical employees, two are part-time clerical employees, five are food service personnel, five are custodial service workers, two are part-time security monitors, one is a Microsystems Technician, and six are part-time classroom assistants.

Our full-time teachers come from a richly diverse population with various academic degrees. 30% hold Master's Degrees, almost 10% hold Educational Specialist's degrees, and two are working toward a Doctoral Degree. Six teachers hold National Board Certification and five are working on obtaining their National Board Certification.

Schoolwide emphasis will be focused on continuing improvement in academic achievement in all disciplines based on the Competency-Based Curriculum, the Sunshine State Standards, and the Grade Level Expectations for each grade level and department.

Royal Green Elementary is unique due to the diverse Special Education population: 192 (24%) of the students and the teachers and paraprofessionals are dedicated to their education; the diverse ESOL population: 162 (20%) of the students and the teachers are dedicated to their education; the partnerships with parents through the PTA and community resources.

School Foundation

Leadership:

Direction in developing the School Improvement Plan was provided by the school administration and EESAC. Professional development opportunities are presented by the Leadership Team via the M-DCPS educational portal. Staff Development days/staff seminars are held monthly and active participation in schoolwide committees is highly evident. The school staff is confident in the leadership Team as indicated by an average score of 4.3 in the leadership category on the Organizational Performance Snapshot(OPIS)survey.

District Strategic Planning Alignment:

The goals and objectives for the School Improvement Plan were identified utilizing schoolwide committees to identify areas of improvement. Royal Green's average score on the OPIS was 4.1 which demonstrates satisfaction.

Stakeholder Engagement:

Royal Green Elementary School strives to connect with the community in several ways. The administration and grade levels invite and elicit parental and community support for various components of the School Improvement Plan. Functions include reading activities, training sessions for parents and educational involvement in classroom events. Stakeholders are represented and involved through the PTA and EESAC. OPIS results reveal that the school is aware of the customers' wants and needs as it continues to strive to meet them. This was indicated by an average score of 4.3.

Faculty & Staff:

Royal Green's staff is well trained and certified for the specific teaching assignments. Common planning collaboration and articulation amongst grade levels add to the overall function of the school. The school provides a professional growth team, which allows feedback for instruction and support throughout the school year. The assistant principal schedules monthly meetings with teachers in order to support instruction and clarify possible issues. In addition, because of the diverse Special Education student population, the Program Specialist and Behavioral Management Teacher are on hand to meet with and support the Special Education staff. In general, Royal Green Elementary's staff is confident in the administrative team at the school, as indicated by an average score of 4.2 in the Human Resources category of the OPIS.

Data/Information/Knowledge Management:

Teachers are provided opportunities to articulate with grade levels on a quarterly basis. As a result of the survey, it is clear that Royal Green's staff is comfortable with data and the information they receive. This category indicates an average score of 4.1 on the OPIS. Teachers are provided the opportunity to create and implement a scope and sequence and professional development plans which are implemented while using the Continuous Improvement Model.

Education Design:

Extended learning opportunities are available through a principal-operated Before/After school program and After

school tutoring. The school uses the Continuous Improvement Model in which the administration and teachers disaggregate data, implement a steady instructional focus, analyze and monitor data to further drive instruction. This category indicates an average score of 4.3 on the OPIS.

Performance Results:

The administration, teachers and staff at Royal Green Elementary School emphasize the importance of responsible student behavior in obtaining positive performance results. By implementing motivational strategies and promoting self-efficacy with our students, the administration, teachers and staff assist in increasing perfect attendance, reducing "late-pick ups" and early dismissals. Daily recognition of responsible student behavior reinforced through our schoolwide discipline plan and Character Education Program communicates a shared mission for academic excellence. This category received an average score of 4.1 on the OPIS.

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 |
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Miami-Dade County Public Schools District Strategic Plan

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| students. | compete in the global economy. | maintaining high student | and high ethical standards. | motivated faculty and staff. |
| | | achievement. | | |
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GOAL 1 STATEMENT:

The number of students scoring at levels 3 through 5 in grades 3-5 will increase.

Needs Assessment

According to the 2006 FCAT results for all curriculum groups, Sixty-six percent of students in grades 3-5 are reading at Level 3 or above. Third grade students increased their performance by 12%, fourth grade students decreased by 1%, and fifth grade students decreased their performance by 8%. An analysis of grades 3-5 reading achievement indicates a need for increased instruction in the following content clusters: Main Idea/Purpose and Comparisons.

Students with Disabilities made provisional AYP in Reading. However, there was a 1% increase from 29% in 2005 to 30% in 2006 Level 3 or above for this subgroup.

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, Students with Disabilities in grades 3-5 will increase their reading skills as evidenced by 51% scoring Level 3 or above on the 2007 administration of the FCAT Reading Assessment.

Action Steps

| | PERSONS RESPONSIBLE | TIME | LINE | | |
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| STRATEGIES | (Identify by titles) | START | END | ALIGNMENT | BUDGET |
| Host a Special Education (SPED) breakfast during SPED week to articulate with parents and provide strategies in reading. | SPED Chairperson | 10/6/2006 | 10/6/2006 | Communities of Practice | \$350.00 |
| Utilize common planning time to review and develop appropriate instructional strategies to address the needs of students not making adequate progress on District Reading Interim assessments, while implementing the Continuous Improvement Model (CIM). | Principal Assistant Principal Grade Level Chairpersons | 8/14/2006 | 5/30/2007 | Continuous Improvement Model | \$0.00 |
| Utilize the Reading Plus Program for all SPED, gifted and afterschool tutoring students. | SPED Chairpersons | 9/28/2006 | 5/30/2007 | District-wide | \$20000.00 |
| Implement the Reading Plus program for Level 3 or above students in grades 3-5 to maintain and strengthen skills in Reading content clusters: Main Idea and Author's Purpose. | Assistant Principal SPED Chairpersons Classroom Teachers | 9/28/2006 | 5/30/2007 | Continuous Improvement Model | \$0.00 |
| Hire hourly tutors after school to provide small group assistance with vocabulary, comprehension and fluency to the lowest performing students in grades 3-5 utilizing supplementary materials, emphasizing author's purpose and main idea. | Principal Assistant Principal | 9/25/2006 | 2/22/2007 | Continuous Improvement Model | \$10500.00 |
| Utilize the Voyager Program with all Tier 2 students and rising grade 3 students who scored below the 25th percentile on the Stanford Achievement Test. | Reading Coach FCAT Enhancement Teacher | 8/14/2006 | 5/30/2007 | District-wide literacy plan | \$0.00 |

Research-Based Programs

- *Houghton Mifflin Reading Series
- *Reading Plus

Professional Development

- *Regional Center V teacher trainers to provide "best practices" with Main Idea and Author's Purpose
- *SPED curriculum support specialist to provide "best practices" with Main Idea and Author's Purpose
- *Houghton Mifflin "refresher" Training
- *Voyager Passport "refresher" Training
- *Reading Plus half day trainings
- *Utilization of common planning time

- *District Interim Reading Assessment Program
- *Reading Plus bi-weekly Summary Reports
- *Weekly performance based assessments
- *2007 FCAT Reading Assessment
- *Tutorial evaluation in Reading

GOAL 2: MATHEMATICS

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

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| 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 |
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GOAL 2 STATEMENT:

All students will demonstrate increased performance in mathematics. The number of students scoring at levels 3 through 5 in grades 3-5 will increase.

Needs Assessment

Sixty-two percent of students are at or above grade level in mathematics. An analysis of grades 3-5 mathematics achievement indicates a need for increased instruction in the Number Sense content cluster. According to 2006 FCAT results for all curriculum groups, third grade students increased their performance by 11%, fourth grade students decreased their performance by 17%.

Students with Disabilities made provisional AYP in mathematics and 39% of SWD scored Level 3 or above on the 2006 FCAT Assessment.

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, students in grades 3-5 will increase their mathematical skills as evidenced by 63% scoring Level 3 or above on the 2007 FCAT Mathematics Assessment.

Given instruction based on the Sunshine State Standards, Students with Disabilities in grades 3-5 will increase their mathematical skills as evidenced by 56% scoring Level 3 or above on the 2007 administration of the FCAT Mathematics Assessment.

Action Steps

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| STRATEGIES | PERSONS RESPONSIBLE (Identify by titles) | START | END | ALIGNMENT | BUDGET |
| Organize grade level Math Jeopardy | Mathematics Chairperson | 1/8/2007 | 2/5/2007 | Academic Teams | \$0.00 |
| competitions to motivate students to be more | | | | | |
| independent in Math. | | | | | |
| Adapt strategies for all students in the various | Principal | 8/14/2006 | 5/30/2007 | Inclusion | \$0.00 |
| NCLB subgroups to include materials that | Assistant Principal | | | | |
| match their learning styles and strengths. | | | | | |
| Utilize common planning time to review and | Principal | 8/14/2006 | 5/30/2007 | Continuous | \$0.00 |
| develop appropriate instructional strategies to | Assistant Principal | | | Improvement Model | |
| address the needs of students not making | Team Leaders | | | | |
| adequate progress on formative assessments, | | | | | |
| while implementing the CIM. | | | | | |
| Create an FCAT Mathematics Day that will | Classroom Teacher | 8/14/2006 | 5/30/2007 | District Strategic | \$0.00 |
| provide students with strategies to assist them | | | | Plan | |
| prior to FCAT testing. | | | | | |
| Hire hourly tutors after school to provide | Principal | 9/25/2006 | 2/22/2007 | Continuous | \$10500.00 |
| small group assistance with math skills to the | Assistant Principal | | | Improvement Model | |
| lowest performing students in grades 3-5 | | | | | |
| utilizing supplementary materials, | | | | | |
| emphasizing Number Sense. | | | | | |
| Implement FCAT Explorer for Level 3 or | Principal | 8/14/2006 | 5/30/2007 | Continuous | \$0.00 |
| above students in grades 3-5 to maintain and | Assistant Principal | | | Improvement Model | |
| strengthen skills in the Mathematics content | Classroom Teachers | | | | |
| cluster: Number Sense. | | | | | |
| Provide weekly timed tests to strengthen | Classroom Teachers | 8/14/2006 | 5/30/2007 | Continuous | \$0.00 |
| mathematical skills and math facts, | | | | Improvement Model | |
| emphasizing Number Sense. | | | | | |

Research-Based Programs

*Harcourt Mathematics Florida Edition

Professional Development

- *Regional Center V teacher trainers to provide "best practices" training for EDUSOFT data analysis
- *SPED curriculum support specialist to provide "best pratices" training for Number Sense
- *In-service trainings based on teachers' needs, data driven analysis, and District/Regional Center V initiatives

- *District Interim Mathematics Assessements
- *Formative assessments on weekly and monthly objectives
- *2007 FCAT Mathematics Assessment Program
- *Tutorial evaluation in Mathematics

GOAL 3: WRITING

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

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GOAL 3 STATEMENT:

All students will be able to communicate effectively through writing. The number of fourth grade students scoring 3.5 or above on the FCAT Writing + Assessment will increase.

Needs Assessment

Scores on the 2006 FCAT Writing + Assessment indicate that 83% of the students in grade 4 scored 3.5 or higher. FCAT Writing Expository results reflect a score of 70% at or above state mastery level. FCAT Writing Narrative results reflect a score of 62% at or above state mastery level.

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Given instruction based on the Sunshine State Standards, all students in grade 4 will increase their writing to 84% scoring 3.5 or above on the 2007 administration of the FCAT Writing + Assessment.

Action Steps

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| STRATEGIES | (Identify by titles) | START | END | ALIGNMENT | BUDGET |
| Implement a schoolwide Poetry Fair to increase parental awareness of different genres of writing. | Writing Chairperson | 3/14/2007 | 3/14/2007 | Communities of Practice | \$500.00 |
| Create Classroom Publications to motivate students to write. | Classroom Teachers | 8/14/2006 | 5/30/2007 | District Strategic | \$500.00 |
| Utilize district assessements to analyze students' writing skills and use the data to drive instruction. | Principal Assistant Principal | 8/14/2006 | 5/30/2007 | Continuous Improvement Model | \$0.00 |
| Administer monthly writing practice tests that monitor both timed writing and grammar skills with conventions. | Reading Coach Classroom Teachers | 8/14/2006 | 5/30/2007 | District-wide literacy plan | \$0.00 |
| Administer bi-weekly writing prompts incorporating holistic scoring and implenting the CIM to monitor progress. | Reading Coach Classroom Teachers | 8/14/2006 | 5/30/2007 | Continuous Improvement Model | \$0.00 |
| Provide professional development for teachers in grades 1 through 5 on rubric scoring. | Principal Assistant Principal Reading Coach | 10/4/2006 | 11/8/2006 | District-wide literacy plan | \$0.00 |
| Implement an Intensive Writing Workshop for high level students to increase the writing scores of 5.0 and above after school. | Writing Chairperson | 1/9/2007 | 2/6/2007 | District-wide | \$1000.00 |

Research-Based Programs

^{*}Houghton Mifflin Reading Series

Professional Development

- *Common planning time to share "best practices" in writing
- *In-service training on the teaching and assessment of Narrative Writing prompts
- *In-service training on the teaching and assessment of Expository Writing prompts

- *Narrative and Expository District Pre and Post Assessments
- *Monthly Writing prompts
- *Monthly Writing practice tests
- *2007 FCAT Writing + Assessment
- *Tutorial evaluation in Writing

GOAL 4: SCIENCE

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

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GOAL 4 STATEMENT:

Increase the achievement of high standards in science for all students.

Needs Assessment

According to the 2006 FCAT Science Test results, 40% of fifth grade students scored Level 3 or above. Detailed cluster analysis indicates that the students scored highest in the Physical/Chemical strand (59%) and Life/Environmental strands (54%) and lowest in the Earth/Space and Scientific Thinking strands with 50% in each strand. The data indicates that increased instruction is needed in the Earth/Space and Scientific Thinking strands to ensure mastery of concepts.

Given instruction using the Sunshine State Standards, students in grade 5 will increase their scientific skills as evidenced by 65% scoring Level 3 or above on the 2007 administration of the FCAT Science Assessment.

Action Steps

| | PERSONS RESPONSIBLE | TIMELINE | | | |
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| STRATEGIES | (Identify by titles) | START | END | ALIGNMENT | BUDGET |
| Articulate with 5th grade teachers to develop strategies that identify the weakest strands in Science while analyzing the Science Interim assessments and implementing the CIM. | Assistant Principal | 8/14/2006 | 5/30/2007 | District Strategic Plan | \$0.00 |
| Schedule Science related field trips that focus on science topics and real world experiences. | Classroom teachers | 8/14/2006 | 5/30/2007 | Community Partnerships | \$0.00 |
| Plan and implement a Galaxy Night to increase parental awareness of the scientific process. | AEP Teacher Classroom Teachers | 12/5/2006 | 5/30/2007 | District Strategic Plan | \$600.00 |
| Compile a science experiment log of science- centered enrichment activities. | Classroom Teachers | 8/14/2006 | 5/30/2007 | Communities of Practice | \$0.00 |
| Provide teachers with appropriate materials and curriculum support to incorporate hands-on experiments in their classrooms which will enhance scientific thinking. | Principal Assistant Principal | 8/14/2006 | 5/30/2007 | District Strategic Plan | \$500.00 |
| Plan and develop an Academic Excellence Environmental Fair to increase students awareness of science with emphasis on Earth/Space science activities. | AEP Teachers | 8/14/2006 | 4/20/2007 | Communities of Practice | \$0.00 |

Research-Based Programs

Professional Development

^{*}Harcourt Science Series

^{*}In-service training with Regional Center teacher trainers

^{*}Elementary Earth Science Classroom: Hands-On Activities

^{*}Hands-On Science K-5

^{*}Effective Implementation of Inquiry-based Science Strategies in the Classroom

- *EDUSOFT Interim Science Assessments
- *2007 FCAT Science Assessment
- *Progress monitoring (i.e. Chapter and unit tests)

GOAL 5: PARENTAL INVOLVEMENT

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

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GOAL 5 STATEMENT:

The amount of parental involvement will increase in school related activities and educational support.

Needs Assessment

According to sign in logs, 225 parents attended events such as SPED Breakfast, Parent Academy Registration Drives, Bilingual/SPED Parent workshops and "Adopt-a-Child" Dinner with the Administration. This represents 28% of the total school parent population.

Given the importance of parental involvement, the amount of parental involvement will increase by 30 parents as evidenced by sign in logs during the 2006-2007 school year.

Action Steps

| | PERSONS RESPONSIBLE | TIMELINE | | | |
|--|--------------------------|-----------|-----------|--------------------|----------|
| STRATEGIES | (Identify by titles) | START | END | ALIGNMENT | BUDGET |
| Plan a breakfast for special education | SPED Chairpersons | 10/6/2006 | 10/6/2006 | Community | \$350.00 |
| students and parents to discuss strategies for | | | | Partnerships | |
| reading and promote family comaraderie. | | | | | |
| (National PTA Standard VI.) | | | | | |
| Promote Parent Academy Registration Drives | Assistant Principal | 8/14/2006 | 5/30/2007 | Community | \$0.00 |
| and FCAT Reading Materials Book give-a- | Team Leaders | | | Partnerships | |
| ways to provide families with research-based | | | | | |
| materials at parent workshops. (National PTA | | | | | |
| Standards II., VI.) | | | | | |
| Encourage parents to participate in "Career | Counselor | 4/2/2007 | 4/27/2007 | Career Development | \$250.00 |
| Day" as monitored by an attendance log. | | | | Programs | |
| (National PTA Standard IV.) | | | | | |
| Invite parents of FCAT Level 1 (or lowest | Principal | 11/3/2006 | 2/28/2007 | Community | \$0.00 |
| 25%) students to "FCAT CHATS" for 3-5 | Assistant Principal | | | Partnerships | |
| grade students to discuss reading and math | Grade Level Chairpersons | | | | |
| "best practices" to use at home. (National | | | | | |
| PTA Standard III.) | | | | | |
| Utilize the monthly calendar, school's website | Principal | 8/14/2006 | 5/30/2007 | Community | \$0.00 |
| and marquee to communicate school | Assistant Principal | | | Partnerships | |
| happenings and information to parents and | | | | | |
| the community. (National PTA Standard I.) | | | | | |

Research-Based Programs

Reading tips and publications available at: *http://www.ed.gov/offices/OIIA/pfie/reading Educational publications available at: *http://ed.gov/pubs.edpubs.htm, No Child Left Behind Just Read Florida resources available at:

National PTA Standards for Parent/Family Involvement Programs at: *http://www.theparentacademy.net *http://www.myportal.dadeschools.net

^{*}http://www.justreadflorida.com/docs/fbbr-blueprint.pdf

Professional Development

- *Support training for Community Involvement Specialist
- *Strategy sharing by District and school PTA Representatives
- *Parent workshops

- *Title I Parental Involvement End of Year Report
- *Monthly Title I Community Participation Reports
- *Parent sign in logs

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 |
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GOAL 6 STATEMENT:

Royal Green Elementary School will promote programs and practices that facilitate a safe and disciplined environment for students and staff.

Needs Assessment

The Discipline committee has reviewed detention logs. There have been approximately 20 detentions per grading period, indicating a need for a more disciplined environment for students.

Given the Code of Student Conduct and an emphasis on a safe learning environment, an average of 20 detentions per nine week period will decrease by 5%.

Action Steps

| | PERSONS RESPONSIBLE | TIME | LINE | | |
|---|---|------------|-----------|--------------------------------------|----------|
| STRATEGIES | (Identify by titles) | START | END | ALIGNMENT | BUDGET |
| Instruct M-DCPS "Character Education Program" to identify students of the month who exhibit positive behaviors. | Assistant Principal Classroom Teachers | 8/14/2006 | 5/30/2007 | Transition and Articulation Programs | \$0.00 |
| Implement a schoolwide "Discipline Protocol Plan and Cafeteria Behavior Management Plan" to assist students in establishing positive behaviors. | Assistant Principal Classroom Teachers | 8/14/2006 | 5/30/2007 | Transition and Articulation Programs | \$300.00 |
| Conduct mini-workshops on Staff Seminar days and have teacher leaders present "best practices" in classroom management. | Principal Assistant Principal Behavioral Management Teacher (BMT) | 10/25/2006 | 5/30/2007 | Small Learning Communities | \$0.00 |
| Create a monthly "Read and Feed Day" to promote good behavior and increase interest in reading in the cafeteria. | Principal Assistant Principal Team Leaders | 10/11/2006 | 5/30/2007 | Transition and Articulation Programs | \$200.00 |
| Conduct grade level "Good Behavior Assemblies" quarterly to reinforce schoolwide rules. | Principal Assistant Principal Counselor | 8/14/2006 | 5/30/2007 | District Strategic Plan | \$0.00 |

Research-Based Programs

Professional Development

^{*}M-DCPS Character Education curriculum

^{*}Assertive Discipline training

^{*}Discipline committee to review data and solutions

^{*}Staff seminar on Best Practices in Discipline

Evaluation

*Detention logs for 2006-2007

GOAL 7: TECHNOLOGY

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GOAL 7 STATEMENT:

The school will increase student technology usage.

Needs Assessment

According to an informal survey conducted at the end of the school year in 2006, 32%, or 250 students needed more time on computers as well as programs that assisted with children's learning and literacy.

Given the integration of technology into the curriculum, students will continue to increase their technological usage by 10% as evidenced by comparing the Reading Plus Summary Reports from September 2006 to May 2007.

Action Steps

| | PERSONS RESPONSIBLE | TIMELINE | | | |
|---|--|-----------|-----------|--------------------------------|------------|
| STRATEGIES | (Identify by titles) | START | END | ALIGNMENT | BUDGET |
| Utilize LeapPad, CPS, and Riverdeep in Kindergarten and First grade students to increase their technological literacy. | Kindergarten and First Grade Teachers | 8/14/2006 | 5/30/2007 | District-wide literacy plan | \$0.00 |
| Utilize Riverdeep and Leap Track for second grade students to increase their technological literacy. | Second Grade Teachers | 8/14/2006 | 5/30/2007 | District-wide literacy plan | \$0.00 |
| Utilize Compass Learning,Leap Track, FCAT Explorer and Riverdeep for third grade students to increase their technological literacy. | Third Grade Teachers | 8/14/06 | 5/30/2007 | District-wide literacy plan | \$0.00 |
| Utilize Reading Plus for SPED, Gifted and afterschool tutoring students to increase their technological literacy. | SPED Teachers | 9/27/2006 | 5/30/2007 | District-wide | \$20000.00 |
| Utilize EasyTech and Riverdeep for fifth grade students to increase their technological literacy. | Fifth Grade Teachers | 8/14/2006 | 5/30/2007 | District-wide literacy plan | \$0.00 |
| Utilize Dana AlphaSmart, EasyTech and Riverdeep for fourth grade students to increase their technological literacy. | Fourth Grade Teachers | 8/14/2006 | 5/30/2007 | District-wide literacy plan | \$0.00 |

Research-Based Programs

*Reading Plus

Professional Development

- *All teachers will be provided with training on Reading Plus
- *Refresher trainings provided by "teacher trainers" on FCAT Explorer and Riverdeep.

- *Monitor software data and summary reports quarterly; as it pertains to each grade level.
- *Reading Plus bi-weekly summary 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.)

| levels, inclusion | and completion at all uding increased high duation and readiness econdary education | Student Performance | Alignment of Standards and Resources | Educational Leadership | Workforce Education | Parental, Student, Family, Educational Institution, and Community Involvement |
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GOAL 8 STATEMENT:

Royal Green will promote the overall health and fitness of students.

Needs Assessment

The FITNESSGRAM for the 2005-2006 school year revealed that 61.2% of the 557 students tested passed the FITNESSGRAM assessment. Results of the student scores for the 2005-2006 Physical FITNESSGRAM indicate that students in grades 3-5 need to improve levels of fitness training and proper nutritional awareness.

Given instruction based on the Sunshine State Standards, students in grades 3-5 will increase their physical fitness as evidenced by 66.2% of the students tested receiving silver and gold awards on the 2007 FITNESSGRAM test.

Action Steps

| | PERSONS RESPONSIBLE | TIME | LINE | | |
|--|---|-----------|-----------|-------------------------|----------|
| STRATEGIES | (Identify by titles) | START | END | ALIGNMENT | BUDGET |
| Implement a schoolwide Field Day to promote physical fitness and team building skills. | PE Teachers | 3/5/2007 | 3/9/2007 | District Strategic Plan | \$250.00 |
| Maintain a "Daily Meal" journal to promote and focus on healthy eating habits to support physical fitness. | PE Teachers | 8/14/2006 | 5/30/2007 | District Strategic Plan | \$0.00 |
| Encourage student participation in the free breakfast program in order to provide energy to meet success. | Principal Assistant Principal Cafeteria Manager | 8/14/2006 | 5/30/2007 | District Strategic Plan | \$0.00 |
| Ensure instructional time is dedicated to exercising daily. | Principal Assistant Principal PE teachers | 8/14/2006 | 5/30/2007 | District Strategic Plan | \$0.00 |
| Provide programs such as "Walk Safe", "Jump for Heart" and "AIDS Awareness" to promote physical fitness. | Principal Assistant Principal PE Teachers | 8/14/2006 | 5/30/2007 | District Strategic Plan | \$50.00 |

Research-Based Programs

Professional Development

^{*}FITNESSGRAM

^{*}M-DCPS Human Growth and Development

^{*}AIDS curriculum

^{*}Participation in District meetings on physical education

^{*}Training on use of FITNESSGRAM

Evaluation

*Pre and post progress test on course objectives

^{*2006-2007} FITNESSGRAM results

GOAL 9: ELECTIVES & SPECIAL AREAS

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

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| X | X | X | | |

GOAL 9 STATEMENT:

Students in grades 3-5 will increase their participation in the arts.

Needs Assessment

According to the 2005-2006 art interest survey conducted with students in grades 3-5, the arts provide motivation for students to come to school. Activities and events must be scheduled to enhance the arts curriculum and participation. Therefore, students enrolled in the arts need to participate in a minimum of three activities.

Given instruction in the arts, students in grades 3-5 will increase their arts appreciation skills by a minimum of 100 students as evidenced by participation in exhibits and chorus, comparing September 2006 and May 2007 results.

Action Steps

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|--|-----------------------------------|------------|-----------|------------------------------|----------|
| STRATEGIES | (Identify by titles) | START | END | ALIGNMENT | BUDGET |
| Develop art education exhibits created by students in grades 2-5 to promote community awareness. | Art Teacher | 10/9/2006 | 5/14/2007 | Expanding arts opportunities | \$0.00 |
| Establish a chorus for musically inclined students to offer various music experiences. | Music Teacher | 9/18/2006 | 5/18/2007 | Expanding arts opportunities | \$150.00 |
| Research music history and students in grades 3-5 will share information through CCTV. | Music Teacher Media Specialist | 10/16/2006 | 5/30/2007 | Expanding arts opportunities | \$0.00 |
| Develop art education exhibits for students in grades 3-5 to expose students to multimedia. | Art Teacher | 10/9/2006 | 5/30/2007 | Expanding arts opportunities | \$0.00 |
| Create a monthly choral/instrumental ensemble for students in grades 3-5 to present via CCTV. | Music Teacher | 10/9/2006 | 5/30/2007 | Expanding arts opportunities | \$0.00 |

Research-Based Programs

Professional Development

^{*}Sunshine State Standards

^{*}Infusing opera education with FCAT Strategies

^{*}Music Technology 1 and 2

^{*}Watercolor Professional Development

^{*}Consultations with art and music teachers on a quarterly basis for grade level activities

^{*}Comparison of 2006 and 2007 arts interest survey

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 | | |

GOAL 10 STATEMENT:

Royal Green Elementary School will increase the current percentile rank on the ROI Index of value and cost effectiveness of its programs.

Needs Assessment

The most recent data supplied from the FLDOE indicate that in 2005, Royal Green Elementary ranked at the 59th percentile on the State of Florida ROI index. A review of student performance, budget expenditures and resource utilization indicates that a more stringent monitoring procedure must be implemented.

Royal Green Elementary School will improve its ranking on the State of Florida ROI Index publication from the 59th percentile in 2004-2005 to the 61st 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 | Principal | 8/14/2006 | 5/30/2007 | District Strategic | \$0.00 |
| financial resources in relation to school | Assistant Principal | | | Plan | |
| programs. | EESAC | | | | |
| Consider shared use of facilities, partnering with community agencies, such as America | Principal EESAC Chairperson | 8/14/2006 | 5/30/2007 | District Strategic Plan | \$0.00 |
| Reads volunteers. | • | | | | |
| Consider reconfiguration of existing resources, such as hourly teachers and tutors expenditures with student performance | Principal Assistant Principal Grade Level Chairpersons | 8/14/2006 | 5/30/2007 | District Strategic Plan | \$0.00 |
| results. Collaborate with the District on resource allocation. | Principal Assistant Principal | 8/14/2006 | 5/30/2007 | District Strategic | \$0.00 |
| Collaborate with local businesses to recruit additional Dade Partners | Principal Assistant Principal | 8/14/2006 | 5/30/2007 | District Strategic | \$0.00 |
| | Community Involvement Specialist (CIS) | | | | |

Research-Based Programs

Professional Development

^{*}State of Florida ROI Index

^{*}Preparation for Budget Training Meeting for principal

^{*}In-service training for stakeholders on efficiency and effectiveness of Reading Plus program.

^{*}State of Florida ROI Index

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 recommends enhancing the purchase of classroom libraries and utilizing Student Achievement Enhancement Programs funds for hourly personnel. Following numerous discussions about student needs, the EESAC provided input as to the expenditure of EESAC funds.

Training:

The EESAC recommends additional training in curriculum and technology be provided for staff members with appropriate administration support. The EESAC was apprised of the availability of workshops and level of staff participation.

Instructional Materials:

The EESAC recommends implementing long range curriculum planning and the identification of reading and math materials that will supplement the instructional program in order to support and/or enhance the achievement of the goals of the School Improvement Plan.

Technology:

The EESAC recommends that the budget be utilized for additional software, new computers, and instructional training for classroom teachers. A review of the current technology, acquisition, training and needs was conducted by the EESAC committee.

Staffing:

The EESAC recommend providing additional hourly personnel to support the School Improvement Plan goals for the 2006-2007 school year. The EESAC will be trained on budget allocations.

Student Support Services:

The EESAC recommends the counselor, school psychologist, and other student support personnel be invited to attend EESAC and staff meetings during the school year to relay their responsibilities and activities, and to describe programs, materials, and services provided by them.

Other Matters of Resource Allocation:

The EESAC continues to solicit the ongoing support of the Royal Green PTA in providing funds to meet the goals of the School Improvement Plan.

Benchmarking:

The EESAC recommends a review of the status of the School Improvement Plan at their meetings. Concerns, issues and comments will be shared by the SIP committees and EESAC members on an ongoing basis. These lines of communication will be furthered by monthly staff meetings to discuss SIP strategies and progress.

School Safety & Discipline:

The EESAC recommends the Code of Student Conduct, schoolwide Discipline Plan, Safety-To-Life inspection procedures, and Fire Safety inspection results be reviewed. The EESAC is aware that Royal Green Elementary has continued to pursue compliance with all safety and discipline issues.

Budget Summary

| BY GOAL | TOTAL BUDGET |
|-----------------------------------|--------------|
| Goal 1: Reading | \$30,850.00 |
| Goal 2: Mathematics | \$10,500.00 |
| Goal 3: Writing | \$2,000.00 |
| Goal 4: Science | \$1,100.00 |
| Goal 5: Parental Involvement | \$600.00 |
| Goal 6: Discipline & Safety | \$500.00 |
| Goal 7: Technology | \$20,000.00 |
| Goal 8: Health & Physical Fitness | \$300.00 |
| Goal 9: Electives & Special Areas | \$150.00 |
| Goal 10: Return On Investment | \$0.00 |
| | |
| Total: | \$66,000.00 |

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: |
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| Principal |
| EESAC Chair |
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| UTD Steward |
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| 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