Understanding Continuous Improvement: Goals, Objectives, Strategies and Activities

Rationale: The development of goals and objectives to be obtained through strategies and activities is an essential component of executing a continuous improvement plan. In short, the Needs Assessment completed during Phase II expresses the school or district's CURRENT STATE, while goals, objectives, strategies and activities should succinctly plot the school or district's course to their DESIRED STATE. Here are the operational definitions of each:

Goal: Long-term target based on Kentucky Board of Education Goals. Schools may supplement with individual or district goals.

Objective: Short-term target to be attained by the end of the current school year.

Strategy: Research-based approach based on the 6 Key Core Work Processes designed to systematically address the process, practice or condition that the school/district will focus its efforts upon in order to reach its goals/objectives.

Activity: The actionable steps used to deploy the chosen strategy.

Key Core Work Processes: A series of processes that involve the majority of an organization's workforce and relate to its core competencies. These are the factors that determine an organization's success and help it prioritize areas for growth.

Guidelines for Building an Improvement Plan

- There are 5 required District Goals: Proficiency, Gap, Graduation rate, Growth, and Transition readiness.
- There are 4 required school-level goals:

For elementary/middle school: Proficiency, Gap, Growth, and Transition readiness.

For high school: Proficiency, Gap, Graduation rate, and Transition readiness.

- There can be multiple objectives for each goal.
- There can be multiple strategies for each objective.
- There can be multiple activities for each strategy.

1: Proficiency

State your **Proficiency** Goal

Goal 1:

Bath County Middle School will increase the average combined reading and math scores from the current 50.9% in the 16/17 testing cycle to 72% by the 20/21 testing cycle.

Which **Strategy** will the school/district use to address this goal? (The Strategy can be based upon the six Key Core Work Processes listed below or another research-based approach. Provide justification and/or attach evidence for why the strategy was chosen.)

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- KCWP 5: Design, Align and Deliver Support
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Objective	Strategy	Activities to deploy strategy	Measure of Success	Progress Monitoring Date & Notes	Funding
Objective 1:	KCWP 1	Instructional assistants will receive training to help support student learning	Classroom assignments,		0
Demonstrate a proficiency plan		in the classroom.	MAP, Study Island		
to Increase for the averaged		Teacher led trainings will be provided during faculty meetings. Trainings	Classroom observations		0
combined reading and math		will include PDSA, Kagan and other behavior strategies, project based	of the trainings.		
proficiency ratings in the		learning, and other gap issues.			
non-duplicated gap group from	KCWP 2	Teachers will model academic vocabulary for students and provide	Classroom observations		0
37.3% to 50.7% by 06/01/2017		opportunities for student application.	and student assessments		
as measured by K-prep, MAP,		Writing and Language Arts teachers will continue to implement on-demand	School-wide on-demand		0
and common assessments		writing strategies from Angela Hilterbrandt.	scrimmage		
	KCWP 3	Teachers will use formative and summative data to drive instructional	Classroom assessment		0
		practices.	score, data collected		
	KCWP 4	Teachers will use data sheets and common assessments to monitor student	Data sheets		0
		progress during content area, grade level and vertical PLC's.		s, 0	
		Teachers will provide Tier II and Tier III interventions to students during	Classroom assignments,		0
		Genius Hour.	MAP, Study Island		
	KCWP 5	Teachers will integrate mission statements, classroom goals, and PDSA into	Teacher websites, lesson		0
		classroom instruction and post weekly to teacher websites.	plans, classroom		
			observations.		
		Using formative data, teachers will provide Tier I interventions in the	Lesson plans, classroom		0
		classroom.	assessments, Study Island		

	KCWP 6	Teachers manage minor behaviors, ISS position, and the schoolwide behavior system	Behavior slips	0
Objective 2: Collaborate to improve the				
BCMS RTI plan by 6/30/2018				
as measured by progress monitoring				

Goal 2:

Bath County Middle School will increase the average combined reading and math proficiency ratings for students with disabilities from a 28.6% for the 16/17 testing cycle to a 59.9% for the 20/21 cycle.

Which **Strategy** will the school/district use to address this goal? (The Strategy can be based upon the six Key Core Work Processes listed below or another research-based approach. Provide justification and/or attach evidence for why the strategy was chosen.)

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Objective 1: By May 2018, BCMS will increase the combined average of reading and math proficiency rates for	KCWP 4	Co-Teaching teams will participate in PLC's to monitor and implement Continuous Classroom Improvement, as well as analyze data and determine the next steps for co-teaching instruction.	Classroom assessments, MAP, Study Island		0
students with disabilities from 20.9% to 26%.	KCWP 5	Teachers will participate in a Name and Claim activity to identify gap students and those scoring below benchmark.	Classroom assessments, MAP, Study Island		0
Objective 2: By May 2018, BCMS will increase the combined average of reading	KCWP 5	Teachers will integrate mission statements, classroom goals, and PDSA into classroom instruction and post weekly to teacher websites.	Teacher websites, lesson plans, classroom observations.		0
and math proficiency rates for students receiving free and		Using formative data, teachers will provide Tier I interventions in the classroom.	Lesson plans, classroom assessments, Study Island		0
reduced services from 48.7 to 53%.					0

Objective 3: By May 2018, BCMS will increase the	Teachers will participate in a Name and Claim activity to identify gap students and those scoring below benchmark.	Classroom assessments, MAP, Study Island	
combined average of reading			
and math proficiency rates for			
Hispanic students from 47.5%			
to 54%.			

3: Graduation rate

State your **Graduation rate Goal**

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Objective	Strategy	Activities to deploy strategy	Measure of Success	Progress Monitoring Date & Notes	Fundi
Objective 1:					
Objective 2:					

4: Growth

State your **Growth** Goal

Goal 4:

Bath County Middle School will increase overall student achievement from an overall index score of 69.9 in the 2016/17 testing cycle to 82% in the 2020/2021

Which **Strategy** will the school/district use to address this goal? (*The Strategy can be based upon the six Key Core Work Processes listed below or another research-based approach. Provide justification and/or attach evidence for why the strategy was chosen.)*

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Objective 1: By May 2018, BCMS will increase the	KCWP 1 KCWP 2	Instructional assistants will receive training to help support student learning in the classroom.	Classroom assignments, MAP, Study Island	Date & Notes	0
combined reading and math percentages of proficient and distinguished students from		Teacher led trainings will be provided during faculty meetings. Trainings will include PDSA, Kagan and other behavior strategies, project based learning, and other gap issues.	Classroom observations of the trainings.		0
59.3 to 63%.		Teachers will model academic vocabulary for students and provide opportunities for student application.	Classroom observations and student assessments		0
Objective 2:	KCWP 3	Writing and Language Arts teachers will continue to implement on-demand writing strategies from Angela Hilterbrandt.	School-wide on-demand scrimmage		0
	KCWP 4	Teachers will use formative and summative data to drive instructional practices.	Classroom assessment score, data collected		0
		Teachers will use data sheets and common assessments to monitor student progress during content area, grade level and vertical PLC's.	Data sheets		0
		Teachers will provide Tier II and Tier III interventions to students during Genius Hour.	Classroom assignments, CASE, IXL		0

Ī	KCWP 5	Teachers will integrate mission statements, classroom goals, and PDSA into	Teacher websites, lesson	0
		classroom instruction and post weekly to teacher websites.	plans, classroom	
			observations.	
		Using formative data, teachers will provide Tier I interventions in the	Lesson plans, classroom	0
		classroom.	assessments, Study Island	
	KCWP 6	Teachers will establish behavior plan used in the classrooms, and will	Behavior slips	0
		adhere to the leveling behavior plan at BCMS.		

5: Transition readiness

State your **Transition readiness** Goal

Goal 5:

Bath County Middle School will design and deploy specific programs and experiences to expose students to the high school's academic and extracurricular offerings, as well as behavior expectations, in order to help the eighth grade students be successful with their transition to high school.

Which **Strategy** will the school/district use to address this goal? (The Strategy can be based upon the six Key Core Work Processes listed below or another research-based approach. Provide justification and/or attach evidence for why the strategy was chosen.)

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Objective 1:	KCWP 1	Instructional assistants will receive training to help support student learning	Classroom assignments,		0
Prepare students for different	KCWP 2	in the classroom.	MAP, Study Island		
academic and vocational		Teacher led trainings will be provided during faculty meetings. Trainings	Classroom observations		0
tracks, as well as		will include PDSA, Kagan and other behavior strategies, project based	of the trainings.		
extracurricular activities, that		learning, and other gap issues.			
are offered by the high school.		Teachers will model academic vocabulary for students and provide	Classroom observations		0
		opportunities for student application.	and student assessments		
Objective 2:		Writing and Language Arts teachers will continue to implement on-demand	School-wide on-demand		0
Prepare students for changes in	KCWP 3	writing strategies from Angela Hilterbrandt.	scrimmage		
grading scale and behavior	KCWP 4	Teachers will use formative and summative data to drive instructional	Classroom assessment		0
expectations.		practices.	score, data collected		
		Teachers will use data sheets and common assessments to monitor student	Data sheets		0
		progress during content area, grade level and vertical PLC's.			
		Teachers will provide Tier II and Tier III interventions to students during	Classroom assignments,		0
		Genius Hour.	MAP, Study Island		
	KCWP 5	Teachers will integrate mission statements, classroom goals, and PDSA into	Teacher websites, lesson		0
		classroom instruction and post weekly to teacher websites.	plans, classroom		
			observations.		

		Using formative data, teachers will provide Tier I interventions in the classroom.	Lesson plans, classroom assessments, Study Island	0
	KCWP 6	Teachers will establish a PBIS system in the classroom using the Anchor	Behavior slips	0
		Down strategy.		

6: Other (optional)State your *Other* **Goal** (optional)

Goal 6:					
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Objective 1: Strategy		Activities to deploy strategy	Measure of Success	Progress Monitoring Date & Notes	Funding
Objective 2:					