Shaler Area School District

Focus ~ Follow Through ~ Implementation ~ Evaluation

Primary				
Focus	Purpose	Action		
Fundations Implementation	Meet the students' needs and provide interventions for our students who may need support	➤ Training and professional development to help initiate the program, allow for mistakes and a safe environment for teachers to grow in the process, and support staff with resources, time, and materials to ensure success		
Title I	Increase "push in" opportunities for Title 1 students	Work with state during the audit of our programs, create a schedule that is conducive to both the general education and Title I staff, and seek ways to include Title I staff within the mainstream classroom		
Tiered Interventions	Meet the needs of all students, especially students identified as special needs and Title 1	Expand upon the resources created by the Title 1 and special education teachers, seek materials and resources that are research-based, and plan for consistency of materials and programs among K-3 special education and Title 1 programs		
Attendance	Change in expectations from state	Educate school personnel on new policies, update letters and notifications that are sent to parents, and communicate with parents the new guidelines		

Elementary				
Focus	Purpose	Action		
Titan Time	Meet the needs of individual students	 Focus on remediation, enrichment, and flexible student grouping 		
Thinking by Design	Cultivate critical thinking skills in students	 Focus on teaching students thinking routines, critical thinking skills, and metacognitive thinking strategies 		
Unpacking Data	Improve decision making, understanding student performance, correlation to planning and instruction	Focus on collecting, interpreting, and using data to drive planning and instruction		
Inclusive Practices	Meet the needs of our students with special needs	 Focus on best practices in designing instruction and assessment that allow for all students to be immersed in grade-level curriculum 		

Middle School				
Focus	Purpose	Action		
Enrichment and Intervention	Meet the needs of all students	 Collaborate and develop strategies for student growth and achievement by reviewing and implementing strategies for intervention and enrichment 		
Positive Culture	Collaborative, cooperative, and positive culture will yield most productive results	Collaborate to grow a positive culture by revamping and rebuilding our PBIS plan, develop systems of recognition for students and staff, and employ methods of communication with all stakeholders		
Professional Learning	Maintain growth mindset for all, always learning, growing, and improving	Participate in professional learning opportunities in the areas of: ELA, Mathematics, Data Driven Decision Making, PBIS, and "Tough Kids" Training, to build upon the goals of "Enrichment and Intervention" and "Positive Culture"		

High School				
Focus	Purpose	Action		
Student Engagement	Meet the needs of all students and focus on attention to task	Transition to a full inclusion model supported by coteaching, case management, and universal design for learning		
PBIS	Collaborative, cooperative, and positive culture will yield most productive results	Utilize positive behavioral interventions and supports to create a positive nurturing culture for our students to increase student achievement across all content areas, including standardized testing		
Differentiated Professional Learning	Maintain a growth mindset for all and permit individuals to take ownership of their professional learning and growth	Allow faculty to select an area of improvement that specifically applies to their classroom instruction, cultivating a personalized approach to professional development and a direct correlation to student engagement		