STANDARDS AND INDICATORS FOR SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT - Northeast Elementary School

Academic Performance Learning Environment Organizational Effectiveness Standard 4: School Culture Standard 7: Leadership

Standard 1: Curriculum

- 1.1a. The adopted curriculum is aligned with the Colorado Model Content Standards, grade level expectations, and assessment frameworks.
- 1.1b School leadership initiates and facilitates articulation of curriculum standards across all levels and programs within the school.
- 1.1c School leadership initiates and facilitates articulation of curriculum standards with other schools with an intentional focus on key curriculum transition points.
- 1.1d The curriculum provides specific links to post-secondary education, life. and/ career options.
- 1.1e The school provides access to a curriculum that emphasizes a challenging academic core for all students.
- 1.1f Information literacy and technology are integrated into content curricula.

- 4.1a There is a safe, orderly, and equitable learning environment.
- 4.1b School staff members create experiences that demonstrate the belief that all children can learn at high levels and they facilitate continuous improvement in student learning.
- 4.1c Teachers and non-teaching staff are involved in formal and informal decision-making regarding teaching and learning.
- 4.1d Teachers recognize and accept their professional role in student success
- 4.1e Students recognize and accept their roles and responsibilities for their own learning.
- 4.1f Teachers regularly communicate with families about each student's progress.
- 4.1fg Teachers and staff care about students and inspire their best efforts.
- 4.1h Student achievement is highly valued and publicly celebrated.
- 4.1i Support for the physical, cultural, socio-economic, and intellectual needs of all students reflects the school's commitment to equity and appreciation of
- 4.1j The school and classroom environments are culturally responsive.
- 4.1k All school staff members actively support the school's equity efforts.

- 7.1a Leadership develops and sustains a shared vision and mission.
- 7.1b School leadership incorporates information from disaggregated data into the school improvement plan.
- 7.1c Leadership ensures that all instructional staff members have access to resources related to the Colorado Standards.
- 7.1d Leadership protects instructional time.
- 7.1e Leadership allocates and monitors the use of resources.
- 7.1f Leadership ensures a safe and effective learning and work environment.
- 7.1g The School Accountability Committee provides input into the school improvement plan.
- The principal demonstrates leadership skills in the areas of academic performance, learning environment, and efficiency.
- School leadership promotes and supports a diverse educational environment.

Standard 2: Classroom Assessment & Evaluation

- 2.1a Classroom assessments are frequent, rigorous, and aligned with standards.
- 2.1b Teachers collaborate in the design or selection of assessment tasks.
- 2.1c Performance standards are clearly communicated, evident in classrooms, and observable in student work.
- 2.1d Students can articulate academic expectations and know what is required to be proficient.
- 2.1e Students have varied opportunities to demonstrate proficiency and receive meaningful feedback on their learning.
- 2.1f Teachers use a body of evidence to obtain information on student learning, achievement gaps, and instruction.
- 2.1g Teachers analyze student work as well as test results to assess student progress and achievement, identify achievement gaps, and make changes to instruction.

Standard 5: Student, Family and Community Support

- 5.1a Families and the community are active partners in the educational process and work with the school staff to promote programs and services for all students.
- 5.1b Support structures and programs help reduce barriers to learning for all
- 5.1c The school maintains an accurate, accessible student record system.
- 5.1d Multiple communication strategies and contexts are used for the dissemination of information to all stakeholders.

Standard 8: Organization and Allocation of Resources

Organization of school resources

- 8.1a The school maximizes the use of resources to support achievement.
- 8.1b The master schedule provides access to the full curriculum to all students.
- 8.1c Staff members are efficiently allocated and organized to support learning.
- 8.1d Staff makes efficient use of instructional time to maximize learning.
- 8.1e Procedures promote vertical and horizontal team planning. 8.1f The schedule is designed to provide quality instructional time.

Resource allocation and integration

- 8.2a A clearly defined process provides equitable allocation of resources.
- 8.2b Resources are allocated based on data and improvement priorities.
- 8.2c State/Federal funds are allocated and integrated to address student needs.

Standard 3: Instruction

- 3.1a Effective and varied instructional strategies are used in all classrooms.
- 3.1b Instructional strategies / activities are meaningful and designed to help students master content standards and meet performance expectations.
- 3.1c Instructional strategies are planned, delivered, and monitored to meet the changing needs of a diverse student population.
- 3.1d Teachers and students incorporate the use of technology in teaching and
- 3.1e Instructional resources are sufficient to support the effective delivery of the curriculum.
- 3.1f Homework is monitored and linked to learning targets.
- 3.1g Instructional services are provided to students to address individual needs and to close learning gaps.

Standard 6: Professional Growth, Development & Evaluation Standard 9: Comprehensive and Effective Planning

Professional development

- 6.1a The school recruits and supports teachers who demonstrate the content knowledge and instructional skills necessary to challenge and motivate students to high levels of learning.
- 6.1b Professional development opportunities are selected based on a range of criteria and data.
- 6.1c Professional development opportunities impact classroom practices, staff efficiency, and school functioning.
- 6.1d Professional development is implemented and evaluated for effectiveness.
- 6.1e The school allocates fiscal resources for professional development.

Professional growth and evaluation

- 6.2a A clearly defined evaluation process is implemented in the school.
- 6.2b The employee evaluation process is used to improve staff proficiency.
- 6.2c Leadership uses the evaluation process to provide follow-up and support to 9.1j improve professional and instructional practices.

- 9.1a A collaborative process is used to develop the school's vision, mission, and goals and guide decision-making.
- The improvement planning process involves collecting, managing, and analyzing data.
- 9.1c The school uses a variety of data to set goals for school improvement.
- 9.1d School improvement plans reflect current research and established performance expectations for student learning.
- 9.1e School goals for student learning are clearly defined.
- 9.1f Methods to achieve goals are identified in clear, specific action steps.
- 9.1g The means for evaluating the effectiveness of the plan are established.
- 9.1h The school improvement plan is implemented as developed.
- 9.1i The degree to which the school achieves its improvement goals is monitored and evaluated.
- The school sustains a commitment to continuous improvement.