Kristin DeFeo - NR-W Middle School Assistant Principal – March, 2018 - BOE Report

District Strategic Plan and MS SCEP (School Comprehensive Education Plan – 2017-2018)

Middle School Enrollment:

5th grade	77
6th grade	111
7th grade	90
8th grade	86
Total	364

Strategic Plan Goal	Action Step	Progress
# 1. By June 2017, all students taking a state assessment will be proficient (3 or 4, 65 or higher) **Tenet 6** – Family and Community Engagement	Increase partnerships between school and families.	*Attendance Team* – The NR-W Middle School Attendance Team continues to meet bi-weekly to review attendance data. *See below for our September – February data. • Level 1 – (5%) – Member of Middle School Attendance Team contacts parent/guardian. Team member will also make contact 1:1 with the student. • Level 2 – (8%) – Letter sent home including the attendance ladder and current attendance record. • Level 3 – (10%) – Attendance Action Plan completed with member of Attendance Team and student. Parent/guardian contacted, Action Plan mailed home. Home visit may occur at this step. • Level 4 – (15%) – Letter sent home requesting a parent meeting with the Assistant Principal to review attendance guidelines. • Level 5 – (>20%) – Possible submission of referral to county agencies (FACT, PINS, CPS) for assistance.

Month	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Jan.	March
Level 1 (5%)	68	39	44	52	47	69
Level 2 (8%)	13	27	44	15	25	38
Level 3 (10%)	*same as	17	21	25	25	19

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March Newsletter: *See out NR-W Middle School Facebook page or website!
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<td>Establish district-wide Multi-Tiered Systems of Support (MTSS) for academic & behavior</td>
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MTSS
Tier 2/3 Teams – Our Tier 2/Tier 3 team is now meeting every Monday and Thursday to review intervention data in regards to Tier 2 groups, and to review Tier 3 students and their individual progress with behavior and/or academic support plans.

TIC (Trauma-Informed Care) Team
Vision Statement: “Empowering our community for the future.”

Our TIC Team is wrapping up our first year of working together, to learn about and share with staff, how trauma impacts students. Last Spring, all district staff were asked to complete the Trauma-Informed Care Organizational Self-Assessment Survey (TIC-OSAT), and again this year, we are asking staff to complete this survey (*between March 7th and 16th). The survey is a strengths-based assessment tool that measures our school district’s progress towards becoming trauma-informed. The information received from this survey will assist our TIC Team in planning how we can best support our staff in teaching and supporting our students at NR-W impacted by trauma.

Future Story – The NR-W Middle School is starting to plan our second annual “Career Day.” Examples of careers our 5th-8th graders are interested in include:

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2) Lawyer
3) Mechanic
4) Photographer
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<td>Tenet 5 – Student Social and Emotional Developmental Health:</td>
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Cougar Pride Team – (PBIS)
TFI Review – On Wednesday March 14th, outside evaluators (along with Mrs.
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		Interlichia) from Lyons CSD, will be coming to NR-W Middle School to evaluate our Tier 1,2, and 3 teams, practices and systems to measure to what extent all of our NR-W schools are applying the core features of PBIS. Mrs. Interlichia will be conducting the walk-through portion of the TFI. This includes interviewing ten students and ten staff in each building. During this time she will be asking students if they can identify our core expectations (respectful, responsible, safe, kind), and if they have received any acknowledgements over the last two months. Additionally, she will visit classrooms and other settings to look and make sure expectations are posted in the classroom. (the walk-through portion will occur on March 12th and 13th). Positives that Mrs. Interlichia will be looking for at NR-W Middle School include shout-outs, positive post cards, and positive referrals, student of the month, Elk's student of the month, and rotary student of the month. The goal is to receive the maximum score for acknowledgements, and to see that at least 90% of staff use them, and that they are received by at least 50% of students interviewed. In regards to knowing expectations, the goal is to have 70% of the students and 90% of staff able to list 67% of expectations. *Character Trait of the Month* - At our February Town Hall meetings we recognized students for our "Trait of the Month" for showing tenacity. (*see our March newsletter for the winners!) For the month of March, we are focusing on "perseverance." • "Continuous effort – not strength or intelligence – is the key to unlocking out potential." ~ Winston Churchill • "A river cuts through a rock not because of its power, but its persistence. • Persevere (verb) – to persist in anything undertaken; maintain a purpose in spite of difficulty, obstacles, or discouragement; continue steadfastly. • "Our greatest weakness lies in giving up. The most certain way to succeed is always to try just one more time." ~ Thomas Edison *Growth Mindset* –year. • <u>September</u> – Everyone can learn - "No matter what your ability is, effort is what ignites that ability and turns it into accomplishment." ~ Carol Dweck • <u>October</u> – My brain is like a muscle that grows! – "The measure of intelligence is the ability to change." ~ Albert Einstein • <u>November</u> – I am a valued member of this learning community. "We rise by lifting others." ~ Robert Ingersol

		• December – We love a challenge! - "If you aren't in over your head, how do you know how tall you are? ~ T.S. Eliot. For this month, we talked about setting goals (academic, behavioral, etc.) at Town Hall to start out quarter two, AND told the students about the attendance challenge. • January – Feedback is a gift! Accept it! – "I think it's very important to have a feedback loop, where you're constantly thinking about what you've done and how you could be doing better." ~ Elon Musk • February – A Goal Without a Plan is Just a Wish. • March – Mistakes are opportunities for learning.
#2: By June 2017, each student who has achieved mastery will maintain mastery, and the percentage of new students achieving mastery will increase.	Provide access to enrichment opportunities for all students	**Lion King Jr**. – Our Musical Cast and crew (Pitt Band, Audio Visual Club, LTD Club) is almost ready for their production of "Lion King Jr." this month! Students and staff have been working to create sets, fit costumes, ensure we have sound and lights, prepare the music…and are VERY excited to put on their incredible show! We hope you can join us at NR-W Middle School on March 16th and 17th!

Safety and Security – The District Safety Team met on Thursday, March 1st as a follow up to the incident in Florida, as well as a follow-up to the incident that occurred at NR-W on Wednesday, February 28th. During this time we reviewed recent events, and set the agenda to take back to our monthly Building Safety Team meeting. The District Safety Team will meet again on March 22nd to review the notes from the Building Team meetings.