School Improvement Plan



2017-2018

School Improvement Plans remain in effect for two years, but a School Leadership Team may amend as often as necessary or appropriate.

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Quail Hollow Middle School – School Improvement Team Membership

From GS §115C-105.27: "The principal of each school, representatives of the assistant principals, instructional personnel, instructional support personnel, and teacher assistants assigned to the school building, and parents of children enrolled in the school shall constitute a school improvement team to develop a school improvement plan to improve student performance. Representatives of the assistant principals, instructional personnel, instructional support personnel, and teacher assistants shall be elected by their respective groups by secret ballot....Parents serving on school improvement teams shall reflect the racial and socioeconomic composition of the students enrolled in that school and shall not be members of the building-level staff."

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Vision Statement

<u>District:</u> CMS provides all students the best education available anywhere, preparing every child to lead a rich and productive life.

School: We – students, teachers, staff, families, and community members – believe in the potential of all our students to master a college-going curriculum and we provide our students the resources they need to do so. We are a student body that is on the P.A.T.H. to accomplish our diverse college and career goals to succeed in the 21st Century. We are a community of character that expects the best of each other. We are a team that operates with dignity, integrity, energy, and a commitment to serve others. Our school is a source of strength and pride for all.

Mission Statement

<u>District:</u> The mission of CMS is to maximize academic achievement by every student in every school.

School: Our mission is to put students on the P.A.T.H. to college.

P= Perseverance

A= Achievement

T= Thoughtfulness

H= Health

Quail Hollow Middle School Shared Beliefs

- <u>Safety</u>: We need to feel physically and emotionally safe and valued to thrive academically and professionally.
- **Optimism**: We maintain a positive culture to help us grow and overcome challenges.
- Accomplishment: We can accomplish any goals we set for ourselves with hard work and dedication
- Responsibility Together: We maximize our potential to achieve shared goals by recognizing our interconnectedness.

Quail Hollow Middle School – SMART Goals

- Duty Free Lunch
- **Duty Free Instructional Planning** Provide duty-free instructional planning time for every teacher under G.S. 115C-105.27 and -301.1, with the goal of proving an average of at least five hours of planning time per week, to the maximum extent that the safety and proper supervision of students may allow during regular student contact hours.
- Anti-Bullying / Character Education Provide a positive school climate, under CMS regulation JICK-R, by promoting a safe learning environment free of bullying and harassing behaviors.
 - o Character Education QHMS Counselor Clinics designed by our counselors based off of student's survey needs. The program focuses on issues middle school students face, skills and strategies necessary to navigate their increasingly complex decisions and relationships; focusing on Social Emotional Learning, Healthy Relationships and Character Education.
- Math The math department will increase the overall EOG proficiency during the 2017-2018 school year to at least 60% which is a 18% increase from the 2016-2017 school year. During the 2018-2019 school year, the math department will increase the proficiency another 5%. In addition, we will increase proficiency in all subgroups by 5%.
- **Reading -** Quail Hollow Middle School will increase the overall Reading EOG proficiency to 60% during the 2017-2018 school year. In addition, we will reduce achievement gaps between White and Black/Hispanic and SWD/LEP by 5% each year.
- Science In the 2017 2018 school year, Quail Hollow Middle School will increase overall grade level proficiency on the Science EOG and NCFE to 75% (A, B, C on NCFE) with no more than a 10-point gap in student proficiency between PLC members at each grade level. In 2017 2018, PLCs will increase proficiency in SWD and ELL subgroups to 40% and with African American and Hispanic to 65% (less than 10% from overall proficiency).
- Culture Quail Hollow Middle School will improve overall school culture by providing a balance of support and accountability for both students and adults such that we will achieve: Improvement on ratings on the Insight Survey as compared to 2017 Spring results in the areas of Learning Environment (6.3 in 2016 Spring, 4.6 in 2017 Spring, 7.0 in 2018 Spring), and Peer Culture (7.7 in 2016 Spring, 6.9 in 2017 Spring, 8.5 in 2018 Spring), while not experiencing a decrease in other areas measured by the Insight Survey A 10% overall reduction in discipline incidents and acts. In 2016-2017, there were 573 acts and 521 incidents. An increase in the percentage of total incidents by students who only have one incident. In 2016-2017 school year only 20% of all incidents occurred by a student who did not have multiple incidents (67% had three or more). In 2017-2018, this will increase to 40%. A 10% reduction in OSS assignments. In 2016-2017, there were 61 Short Term Suspensions. A 10% reduction in racial disparity between OSS assignments for African American students. In 2016-2017 school year 59% of all suspensions were African American students. A response rate of 90% or more of faculty members and students agreeing on the Insight Survey/CMS Student Survey that they feel safe when they are at school



Quail Hollow Middle School – Assessment Data Snapshot

Paste desired SIP data reports from Principal Portal here. Insert other related data points pertinent to your school here.



Quail Hollow Middle School - Profile

Quail Hollow Middle School is a truly diverse population of over 900 students and nearly 100 faculty and staff members where we learn from each other and challenge each other to be our bring our best to school each day. Approximately 25% of our student population identifies their race as White, 33% African American, 36% Hispanic, 3% more than one, 13% American Indian, and 0.3% Asian. Ninety-two of our students have IEPs, 47 students have 504 Plans, 62 students are considered academically gifted, and 94 of our students have Limited English Proficiency. Our faculty and staff are diverse as well. Approximately 61% of our faculty has taught for five years or less and approximately 19% of our faculty has taught for more than ten years. Thirty-seven percent of our faculty has advanced degrees.

Our school culture has improved such that we decreased discipline by 87% since the 2010-2011 school year and we have reduced out of school suspensions by 95% since the 2010-2011 school year. We follow a traditional middle school model in sixth grade where students are in teams of approximately 100 students. Each team consists of a language arts teacher, social studies teacher, math teacher, and science teacher. Students in all grades have all four core classes each day. Aligned to our school vision, every student has the opportunity to visit a college or university each school year to explore possibilities for the future. We hold strong partnerships in the community that allow us to offer tutoring and support to children who are working to increase their academic achievement, celebrate student and faculty accomplishments, participate in community events, and provide support to families who are experiencing challenges of living in poverty.

In 2016 our school team led students to exceed expected growth as defined by state EVAAS data. Our overall proficiency was 51.7% % where proficiency is defined by earning a level III, IV or V score on the EOGs. In addition, 128 of our students took the Math I EOC to earn high school credit and 92% of those students earned passing scores. Our faculty, staff, and administration is committed to raising these levels of proficiency this year and in future years to ensure we fulfill our vision of putting students on the P.A.T.H. to college. We believe we will accomplish this in large part through a continued focus on data-driven instructional practices supported by MasteryConnect, ongoing school-wide professional development focused on literacy instruction, and by updating our school culture plan.

Strategic Plan 2018: For a Better Tomorrow



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Goal 1: Maximize academic achievement in a personalized 21st-	Goal 2: Recruit, develop, retain and reward a premier workforce
century learning environment for every child to graduate college-	Fire frame and a
and career-ready	Five focus areas:
Fountain	I. Proactive recruitment
Four focus areas:	II. Individualized professional development
College- and career-readiness	III. Retention/quality appraisals
II. Academic growth/high academic achievement	IV. Multiple career pathways
III. Access to rigor	V. Leadership development
IV. Closing achievement gaps	
Goal 3: Cultivate partnerships with families, businesses,	Goal 4: Promote a system-wide culture of safety, high engagement,
faith-based groups and community organizations to provide a	cultural competency and customer service
sustainable system of support and care for each child	,
,	Five focus areas:
Three focus areas:	I. Physical safety
I. Family engagement	II. Social and emotional health
II. Communication and outreach	III. High engagement
III. Partnership development	IV. Cultural competency
	V. Customer service
Goal 5: Optimize district performance and accountability by strengthening data use, processes and systems	Goal 6: Inspire and nurture learning, creativity, innovation and entrepreneurship through technology and strategic school redesign
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Effective and efficient processes and systems	Learning everywhere, all the time
II. Strategic use of district resources	II. Innovation and entrepreneurship
III. Data integrity and use	III. Strategic school redesign
IV. School performance improvement	IV. Innovative new schools
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SMART Goal (1): Provide a duty-free lunch period Smart Goal (1): Duty Free	d for every teacher on a daily basis.
Lunch for Teachers	



Strategic Plan Goal:	Goal 2: Recruit, develop, and retain a premier workforce		
Strategic Plan Focus Area:	Retention		
Data Used:	Teacher Survey Data		

Strategies (determined by what data)	Point Person (title)	Evidence of Success (Student Impact)	Funding (estimated cost / source)	Personnel Involved	Timeline (Start—End)
1. In order to provide teachers with duty-free lunch while balancing the need for safety and supervision, lunch has been organized so there is not more than 2 teams in the cafeteria at a time. The organization of the tables allow for better organization of students. Additional supervision is provided by BMTs, Campus Security Associate, and assistance from our Resource Officer. The goal of this plan is to be able to offer duty free lunch to our teachers.	Mr. Crouse	Students should report that they feel safe on school safety audit and the annual CMS student survey, while teachers receive duty-free lunch.	\$0	Blair, Crouse, Nava, Plaisance	Duration of the school year. Checkpoints Nov 2017 Feb 2018
2. The principal will survey all faculty members to identify their "one thing" (the things that matter most to each teacher) preferences and will develop a plan to honor the "one thing" requests of each teacher. This will ensure teachers who feel strongly they would like duty-free lunch have duty-free lunch, while other teachers	Ms. Neill	Teachers report satisfaction with receiving their "one thing" that matters to them – whether that "one thing" is duty-free lunch or another alternative.	\$0	Neill	Duration of the school year. Checkpoints Nov 2017 Feb 2018



during lunch are able to support active supervision in the café during lunch.						
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SMART Goal (2): Duty Free Instructional Planning Time	Provide duty-free instructional planning time for every teacher under G.S. 115C-105.27 and -301.1, with the goal of proving an average of at least five hours of planning time per week, to the maximum extent that the safety and proper supervision of students may allow during regular student contact hours.
Strategic Plan Goal:	Goal 1: Maximize academic achievement in the personalized 21st century learning environment for every child to graduate college and career ready. And
	Goal 5: Optimize district performance and accountability by strengthening data use, processes and systems.
Strategic Plan Focus Area:	Academic Growth/High Academic Achievement, Data Integrity and Utilization
Data Used:	Teacher Survey Data

Strategies (det data)	ermined by what	Point Person (title)	Evidence of Success (Student Impact)	Funding (estimated cost / source)	Personnel Involved	Timeline (Start—End) ● Interim Dates
to provide comr for teachers by elective departr collaboration ar	chedule is designed mon planning period grade level (and nent) to promote nong teachers. This is 75-85 minutes	Rachael Neill, Principal	Teachers will plan with their colleagues at least two days a week to ensure high quality units and lessons are designed to lead to meeting PLC SMART goals for student achievement. Each PLC develops at least one interdisciplinary unit per year. This should support students learning by helping	\$0	Instructional Leadership Team	Duration of the school year. Checkpoints Nov 2017 Feb 2018
			students learning by helping students make connections across the content area.			



		Through collaborative planning, teachers across the school will be able to earn ratings of proficient or higher in standard three of the North Carolina Teacher Evaluation tool.			
2. Mondays and Wednesdays are reserved for PLC collaboration. PLC's capture shared planning documents in shared folders on the Drive to facilitate collaboration and feedback.	Rachael Neill, Principal	PLC's will develop SMART goals in August of each school year. Members of the Instructional Leadership Team are present in each core content PLC meeting at least once a week to support the implementation of effective PLC collaboration. PLC Leaders engage in monthly professional development focused on data driven instruction.	\$0	Instructional Leadership Team	Duration of the school year. Checkpoints Nov 2017 Feb 2018
3. Wednesdays are reserved for Team/Grade Level collaboration.	Rachael Neill, Principal	Monthly goals are set and met for increased student attendance, increased positive behavior, and/or increased achievement. Monthly plans are specific to grade level and student specific needs.	\$0	Instructional Leadership Team	Duration of the school year. Checkpoints Nov 2017 Feb 2018
4. Policies have been updated to use dispersal systems or adjusted team schedules (prior to utilizing teacher coverage) when a teacher is	Rachael Neill, Principal	No teacher in the building needs to lose a planning period more than one day a month. This ensures time	\$0	Instructional Leadership Team	Duration of the school year.



absent without a substitute.	for meaningful planning and should support teachers in	Checkpoints Nov 2017
	meeting PLC SMART Goals.	Feb 2018



SMART Goal (3): Anti-Bullying / Character	Provide a positive school climate, under CMS regulation JICK-R, by promoting a safe learning environment free of bullying and harassing behaviors.
Education	Character Education – QHMS Counselor Clinics – designed by our counselors based off of student's survey needs. The program focuses on issues middle school students face, skills and strategies necessary to navigate their increasingly complex decisions and relationships; focusing on Social Emotional Learning, Healthy Relationships and Character Education.
Strategic Plan Goal:	Promote a system-wide culture of safety, high engagement, customer service, and cultural
Strategic Plan Focus Area:	competence. Physical Safety, Social and Emotional Health
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Data Used:	Student Survey Data, Teacher Survey Data, Counselor Request Forms

Strategies (determined by what data)	Point Person (title)	Evidence of Success (Student Impact)	Funding (estimated cost / source)	Personnel Involved	Timeline (Start—End) • Interim Dates
Bully Liaison / Bully-prevention: This program includes bullying prevention lessons in Character Education and the use of anti-bullying contracts and counseling throughout the year as necessary	Counselors	On student surveys, students report they have at least one adult in the building they feel comfortable confiding in regarding bullying On student surveys, 80% or more students strongly agree or agree they feel comfortable doing what they know is right, even in front of their peers On end of year student surveys, 80% or more students strongly agree or agree there has been a reduction in bullying at school		Counselors Faculty ILT	Quarterly student surveys Monthly data review in grade level meetings Checkpoints Nov 2017 Feb 2018



		50% reduction in bullying incidents that reach administration.			
2. Character Education: Counselor Clinics will be presented monthly by grade level. Topics will be selected based on needs assessment filled out by staff, parents and students. There will be a focus on social emotional learning, healthy relationships, and character building.	Counselors	Consistent implementation of the Character Education program by counselors across the school, as evidenced by leadership walkthroughs Students report on student surveys a reduction in the incidence rate of bullying and other target behaviors identified in the needs assessment survey		Counselors Faculty ILT PTSA	Quarterly student surveys Monthly preparation for counselors in department meetings
What Works Grant - gives students broadened access to school-based mental health (SBMH) services provided by both CMS and agency professionals		50% reduction in suspensions as a result of improved student behavior			Checkpoints Nov 2017 Feb 2018
The counselors have been trained to implement Structured Psychotherapy for Adolescents Responding to Chronic Stress (SPARCS). They will run two groups of identified students over a 16 week period to develop skills for dealing with stress and trauma.	Chloe Glass Counseling department chair Erica Stevens, and Shayla Thompson Counselor Deidra Nava – AP	Increase in mental health services for students Reduction in suicide assessments Increased coping skills for group participants identified through pre and post assessments.	Funded through grant – no cost to school	Student support staff	Session 1: September 2017- January 2018 Session 2: January 2017-May 2018



The school behavioral therapist and school psychologist have been trained in Dialectical Behavior Therapy (DBT). Students identified as having issues with self-harm and suicidal tendencies			•		Checkpoints Nov 2017 Feb 2018
will receive one hour individual sessions and one hour group sessions each week.					
A student services facilitator will be utilized in effort to remove managerial duties so the counselors can deliver more direct services to the school population.					
3. Healthy Active Child 30 min. Elective team/grade level with energizers and brain breaks throughout the school day.	Health/PE Department, Elective Team	All students engage in meaningful activity on a daily basis	\$0	Faculty	Duration of the school year. <u>Checkpoints</u> Nov 2017 Feb 2018
4. School Health Team: This group will be expanded to include monthly meetings with representation from health-related areas across the school to evaluate the current status of supports in place to foster healthy lifestyle among		Updated emergency health procedures will be developed to ensure students receive prompt medical attention even when the nurse is not in the building. Health related community		Health & PE Department, Counseling Department, School Nurse, Cafeteria	Duration of the school year. <u>Checkpoints</u> Nov 2017 Feb 2018
students, staff, and parents.		service opportunities will be provided, including the Alzheimer's Awareness Walk, Juvenile Diabetes Walk.		Manger, Parents, Grade Level Reps	



Fitness classes are available to all grade levels – 6 th , 7 th and 8 th .	
Students will increase consumption of fruits and vegetables as monitored by the cafeteria.	
A Fitness Lab is established and procedures will be developed so this resource can support both student and adults in learning life-long fitness habits.	



SMART Goal (4): Math	The math department will increase the overall EOG proficiency during the 2017-2018 school year to at least 60% which is a 18% increase from the 2016-2017 school year. During the 2018-2019 school year, the math department will increase the proficiency another 5%. In addition, we will increase proficiency in all subgroups by 5%.
Strategic Plan Goal:	Goal 1: Maximize academic achievement in a personalized 21st-century learning environment for
	every child to graduate college and career-ready.
Strategic Plan Focus Area:	II. Academic growth/high academic achievement
	IV. Closing achievement gaps
Data Used:	EOG achievement and subgroup data.

Strategies (determined by what data)	Point Person (title)	Evidence of Success (Student Impact)	Funding (estimated cost / source)	Personnel Involved	Timeline (Start—End)
Use MasteryConnect as a resource to monitor subgroup data and overall student mastery of concepts.	PLC Leaders – LaShae Tietsort, Sharon Wilson, Shante LaSanta AP – Deidra Nava	Students will show mastery of 80% or higher.	Cost of Mastery Connect (\$6000 for school)	Math Department	Ongoing Checkpoints Nov 2017 Feb 2018
2. Two Multi-Classroom Leaders who have accountability for other teachers' student outcomes and support their team teachers in a variety of ways including coaching, co-teaching, modeling, reviewing student data, flexible grouping, and pulling small groups of students.	MCLs – LaShae Tietsort, Sharon Wilson	Reach EOG proficiency goal of 60%.	Title I Funds for positions	Math Department	Ongoing Checkpoints Nov 2017 Feb 2018



3. Use cumulative interim assessment to monitor student progress toward meeting EOG proficiency goals. • A "flex week" will follow interim testing to allow for students to move toward mastery on all taught concepts.	PLC Leaders – LaShae Tietsort, Sharon Wilson, Shante LaSanta AP – Deidra Nava	Interim #1: average at least 6th - 35% 7th - 35% 8th - 35% Interim #2: average at least 6th - 70% 7th - 72% 8th - 53% Subgroup proficiency should increase by at least 2.5% each assessment.	n/a	Math Department	Interim Dates: Nov. 2017 Mar 2018 Checkpoints Nov 2017 March 2018
4. Use Personalized Learning Time to group students by student achievement data to ensure students performing off grade level are receiving targeted support Compass Learning Small groups	Math Department	Students in PLT math courses will meet their predicted MAP goals.	n/a	Math Department	MAP Admin Dates: Sept 2017 Dec 2017 March 2018
 5. Exceptional children Supported in the inclusive setting. Using the program VMath during Learning Lab (PLT) to assist in closing the achievement gap. EC teachers will attend PLC meetings. 	EC teachers Sharon Wilson	Students will meet their predicted MAP goals.	n/a	EC Teachers	MAP Admin Dates: Sept 2017 Dec 2017 March 2018 Checkpoints Nov 2017 Feb 2018



TransMath - math programed focused on getting the lowest EC population prepared for Math 1 in the 9th grade (provided in resource room).					
7. Students will participate in the 1-to- 1 technology initiative to increase their 21st century skills.	Math Teachers	Students will show mastery of 80% or higher.	n/a	Math Department	Ongoing Checkpoints New 2017
 Compass Learning 					Nov 2017 Feb 2018
Discovery Ed Techbook					. 6.5 _ 5 . 6
 MasteryConnect 					
Blended Learning					
 Nearpod 					
 Other technology based applications 					



SMART Goal (5): Reading	Quail Hollow Middle School will increase the overall Reading EOG proficiency to 60% during the 2017-2018 school year. In addition, we will reduce achievement gaps between White and Black/Hispanic and SWD/LEP by 5% each year.
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	every child to graduate college and career-ready.
Strategic Plan Focus Area:	II. Academic growth/high academic achievement
_	IV. Closing achievement gaps
Data Used:	EOG achievement and subgroup data.

Strategies (determined by what data)	Point Person (title)	Evidence of Success (Student Impact)	Funding (estimated	Personnel Involved	Timeline (Start—End)
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• Task (PD)			,		
1. Use of common assessment data	MCLs	Common assessment data	n/a	Humanities	Quarterly
to determine mastered and non-	Humanities PLC	reaching SMART goal		department	Common
mastered material. Flexible	leads: Leak,	benchmark as determined by			Assessments
groupings during Flex Weeks, at	Leeper, Wawer	individual PLCs.			Interim
least once quarterly, will be created	Sanduski and				Dates:
to focus instruction on student need.	Jackson				Oct
Quarterly cumulative benchmarks to					Jan
measure progress. Data used to drive differentiated lessons.					Mar
anvo amoronidatoa loccono.					<u>Checkpoints</u>
					Nov 2017
					Feb 2018
2. Two Humanities Multi-Classroom	MCLs	Increase in overall Reading	Title I funds	Humanities	Ongoing
Leaders and 1 Senior Reach Teacher	Kristen Wawer	EOG proficiency to 60%.	for positions	department	
who have accountability for other	Renee Meyrose				<u>Checkpoints</u>
teachers' student outcomes and					Nov 2017
support their team teachers in a	SRT				Feb 2018
variety of ways including coaching,	Laquiana Leeper				



co-teaching, modeling, reviewing student data, flexible grouping, and pulling small groups of students.					
3. Use MasteryConnect as a resource to monitor subgroup data and overall student mastery of concepts. This resource is available to parents with information sessions to build parent capacity to access their student's data and results.	MCLs Humanities PLC leads: Leak, Leeper, Wawer Sanduski and Jackson	MasteryConnect trackers show 80% mastery in all RL and RI standards by end of year	Cost of Mastery Connect (\$6000 for school)	Humanities department	Interim Dates: Oct Jan Mar Checkpoints Nov 2017 Feb 2018
 4. Professional development to increase literacy in all content areas. Job-embedded PD through PLC, Dept, and Staff Meetings District Initiatives: Integration of Notice and Note (Kylene Beers and Robert Probst) Close Reading Strategies William & Mary 8th ELA Honors Curriculum Think Alouds and Modeling Get Better Faster Observation/Debrief & Weekly Data Meetings PD (ILT Members) Effectiveness of PD and implementation monitored through Depts, Walk-Thru forms, and PD. Paideia PD and Coaching Days 	Meyrose, Wawer, & Leeper ILT members	Common assessment and Interim data reaching SMART goal benchmark as determined by PLCs	n/a	All faculty ILT Members	Checkpoints Nov 2017 Feb 2018



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 5. Personalized Learning time to ensure all students scoring 3 or below on their reading EOG will receive targeted literacy instruction. 6th, 7th, 8th – ELA/SS will use CommonLit to support individualized targeted instruction. Teachers will support small groups within PLC. Compass Learning- a learning acceleration program tied to student MAP results Small Groups 	ELA PLC lead in each grade	Students in PLT Literacy courses will meet their predicted NWEA's Measures of Academic Progress (MAP) universal screener goals.	n/a	Teachers with literacy PLTs	MAP Admin Dates: Sept Jan April Checkpoints Nov 2017 Feb 2018
Entire School- Students will participate in the 1-to-1 technology initiative to increase their 21st century literacy skills 7 th Grade – 1 MCL leads the SS & ELA team to create and implement interdisciplinary units to focus on strategic alignment between ELA and SS standards to effectively integrate literacy instruction across content areas. 6 th and 8th Grade- Integrated Social Studies and Language Arts instruction specifically around Metacognition: Think Alouds/Modeling and	McCaughna ELA and SS department chair /MCLs	Common assessment/Interim data	n/a	Social Studies department ELA department	Checkpoints Nov 2017 Feb 2018



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 annotation as well as the Research Paper Unit. 1 MCL leads ELA and SS team in 6th grade. 1 MCL and SRT share ownership over 8th Grade ELA and SS. 2 Humanities MCLs and SRT work together to ensure vertical alignment is strong between all 3 grade levels. 					
7. Exceptional children will be supported in the Fusion resource setting, the inclusive setting as well as during Learning Lab (PLT) to assist in closing the achievement gap. Learning Lab will be focused on student's IEP goals and closing performance gaps (as indicated above). EC teachers will attend PLC meetings.	EC teachers	Students will meet their predicted MAP goals	n/a	EC teachers,	MAP Admin Dates: Sept Jan April Checkpoints Nov 2017 Feb 2018
8. Social Studies classes implement strategic literacy instruction, including read-alouds and various levels of complex texts. They will utilize the district DBQ project to increase rigor	SS Department Chair, PLC leads	Due to increased literacy instruction, school-wide mastery on NCFE exam will increase to 75%	n/a	SS department, ELA department	Ongoing Checkpoints Nov 2017 Feb 2018
9. ESL classes and class with LEP students will implement strategic literacy instruction including varied levels of complex text, appropriately scaffolded assignments, and progress monitoring.	Penagos, Meyrose, Dept Chair, PLC Leads	2017-2016 ESL/LEP Total Composite score will increase 5% for 9% overall proficiency.	n/a	Penagos, Meyrose, Dept Chair, PLC Leads	Ongoing Checkpoints Nov 2017 Feb 2018



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10. Students in 7 th and 8 th grades	Wawer	Students who participate in the	n/a	Wawer,	Ongoing
who have scored 2 or 1 on the		North Star reading program		Reading	
reading EOG will be paired with a		will meet or exceed their		mentors.	Checkpoints
reading mentor through the North		expected growth on the			Nov 2017
Star Literacy program with a priority		Reading MAP assessment.			Feb 2018
on 7th grade students who scored a					
level 2. They will receive one-on-one					
reading mentorship during PLT once					
a week.					



SMART Goal (6):	In the 2017 – 2018 school year, Quail Hollow Middle School will increase overall grade level proficiency on the Science EOG and NCFE to 75% (A, B, C on NCFE) with no more than a 10-point gap in student proficiency between PLC members at each grade level. In 2017 – 2018, PLCs will increase proficiency in SWD and ELL subgroups to 40% and with African American and Hispanic to 65% (less than 10% from overall proficiency).
Strategic Plan Goal:	Goal 1: Maximize academic achievement in a personalized 21st-century learning environment for every child to graduate college and career-ready.
Strategic Plan Focus Area:	II. Academic growth/high academic achievement IV. Closing achievement gaps
Data Used:	Interim Assessment Data (Common Assessment Data) EOG and NCFE achievement data EVAAS teacher data

Strategies (determined by what data)	Point Person (title)	Evidence of Success (Student Impact)	Funding (estimated cost / source)	Personnel Involved	Timeline (Start—End)
1. Use MasteryConnect asa data analysis tool to monitor individual teacher data, tailor instruction to individual student's mastery level, and to monitor overall/subgroup achievement data. "Flash Back" days each month to review previously learned content due to Science topics being discrete. Use of warm-ups and exit tickets to re-loop challenging content. Specific subgroup targeted remediation to aide in closing achievement gap.	PLC Leaders – Barton- Metzger, B Faris and C Smith ILT member – Plaisance	75% of students will demonstrate proficiency on the Science EOG and NCFE Interim 1 mastery for taught content All - 70% B/H - 60% EC/ELL - 30% Interim 2 mastery for taught content All - 75% B/H - 65% SWD/ELL - 40%	MasteryConn ect – provided through Title 1 funds - @\$6000	Science Team	Interim Dates: 11/28-12/1 3/19-3/22 Checkpoints Dec 2017 Mar 2018



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2. Focus on Literacy and vocabulary acquisition by students through use of Cornell Notes, Frayer Models, Complexity of Text, "Text Tuesday", Metacognition strategies, instruction of high use roots/stems, PD during PLC, faculty meetings and Early Release days	PLC Leaders MCLs	Same as Strategy 1	PD PLC time	Science Teachers	May 2018 Checkpoints Dec 2017 Mar 2018
3. Blended learning model to reduce student teacher ratio, student centered instruction with the utilization of "play lists" and/or choice boards	PLC Leaders	Same as Strategy 1	PD PLC time	Science Teachers	May 2018 Checkpoints Dec 2017 Mar 2018
4. STEM based PLT courses, clubs and field trips – Rocketry, Science Olympiad, Robotic Club, Julia Robinson Math and Engineering Festival, Future Problem Solvers	PLT teachers, club moderators	Same as Strategy 1	Volunteers	PLT teachers, club moderators	May 2018 Checkpoints Dec 2017 Mar 2018
5. Students will participate in 1-to-1 technology initiative to increase their use of 21 st century skills -Discovery ED -Simulators -Research -Testing/Quailifiers/Re-testing	Science Teachers	Same as Strategy 1	PD during PLC	Science Teachers	May 2018 Checkpoints Dec 2017 Mar 2018



SMART Goal (7): Culture	Quail Hollow Middle School will improve overall school culture by providing a balance of support and accountability for both students and adults such that we will achieve: · Improvement on ratings on the Insight Survey as compared to 2017 Spring results in the areas of Learning Environment (6.3 in 2016 Spring, 4.6 in 2017 Spring, 7.0 in 2018 Spring), and Peer Culture (7.7 in 2016 Spring, 6.9 in 2017 Spring, 8.5 in 2018 Spring), while not experiencing a decrease in other areas measured by the Insight Survey · A 10% overall reduction in discipline incidents and acts. In 2016-2017, there were 573 acts and 521 incidents. · An increase in the percentage of total incidents by students who only have one incident. In 2016-2017 school year only 20% of all incidents occurred by a student who did not have multiple incidents (67% had three or more). In 2017-2018, this will increase to 40%. · A 10% reduction in OSS assignments. In 2016-2017, there were 61 Short Term Suspensions. · A 10% reduction in racial disparity between OSS assignments for African American students. In 2016-2017 school year 59% of all suspensions were African American students. · A response rate of 90% or more of faculty members and students agreeing on the Insight Survey/CMS Student Survey that they feel safe when they are at school.
Strategic Plan Goal:	Goal 4: Promote a system-wide culture of safety, high engagement, cultural competency and customer service
Strategic Plan Focus Area:	Areas I, II, III, and IV
Data Used:	Historic discipline data, Insight Survey results

Strategies (determined by what data)	Point Person (title)	Evidence of Success (Student Impact)	Funding (estimated cost / source)	Personnel Involved	Timeline (Start—End)
1. Revised culture team staffing structure with two Behavior Modification Technicians (BMTs) and an ISS Assistant, to provide increased availability for in-themoment conferencing, mediation, and support to deescalate potential negative behaviors. Focusing one BMT on supporting 6th	Andre Plaisance, assistant principal	A 10% overall reduction in discipline incidents and acts. In 2016-2017 there were 573 acts and 521 incidents, monitored monthly by Year-to-Date reporting in the Portal	Exchange of 0.8 ADM to purchase one BMT position Purchase one lead BMT position with Title I	BMTs: Mr. Rouse (7th and 8th Gr), Mr. Dillard (6th Gr) ISS: Mr. Dawson	Position exchange submitted annually Title I funding proposal submitted summer 2016.



grade students to ensure cultural routines are established early.			funds		Checkpoints Nov 2017 Feb 2018
2. Updated referral process to encourage proactive communication from students to adults to prevent negative incidents and to ensure – when needed – consequences are administered quickly so they are meaningful to students to deter future negative behaviors	Mr. Rouse and Mr. Dillard, BMTs Mrs. Nava and Mr. Plaisance, APs	Improved rating of 7.0 or higher on the Insight Survey in the area of Learning Environment to indicate consistency in addressing negative student behaviors, as monitored by Winter and Spring administrations of the	Cost of printing referral forms and Support Call forms	Mrs. R. Neill, Principal	Duration of the school year CheckpointD ec 2017 Feb 2018
"Support call" system and tracking slips used to proactively address negative behaviors		Insight Survey. Instituting mini Insight Surveys to monitor teachers responses to be more proactive			
Paper discipline referral form		more prodetive			
 All discipline referral forms submitted by faculty members within 48 hours of the incident 					
• All discipline referrals processed by BMTs within 24 hours of receipt					
• All discipline referrals responses provided to teachers within 24 hours.					
3. BMTs will attend grade level meetings weekly to collaborate with teachers	Mr. A. Plaisance, Assistant Principal Mrs. D.	A 10% overall reduction in discipline incidents and acts. An increase in the percentage	None	Mr. Rouse and Mr. Dilard, BMTs	
Monitoring of discipline trends through Google forms on 7th/8th and	Nava, Assistant Principal	of total incidents by students who only have one incident		Mr. H. Dillard, BMT Grade Level	



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 by team on 6th Development of Behavior Intervention Plans with incentives for positive behavior as needed 				and Team Teacher Leaders.	
Proactive communication with families when negative behavior begins					
4. Increased frequency of positive reinforcement incentives organized by an Incentive Committee	Mr. Plaisance and Mrs. Nava APs Grade Level	A 10% overall reduction in discipline incidents and acts.	\$500 Funds will be raised by the PTSA	Grade Level Leaders: Mrs. A.	Monthly
• Fall Field Days	and Team Teacher		and School- Based	Gordon, Ms. H. Jackson,	Checkpoints
Sports Season Pep Rallies	Leaders.		Fundraisers	Mrs. Barton-	Nov 2016
College Visits				Metzger, Mrs. Ray,	Feb 2018
Grade Level VIP Passes				Ms. Leeper	
• Treat bags					
• Student dance/assemblies					
5. Partnership with external team members:	Mrs. R. Neill, Principal	10% reduction in overall discipline incidents	None	CMC Behavioral	Annual AssignmentC
CMC Behavioral Health to have a therapist at QHMS up to four days per week, based on caseload				Health Team, Mrs. S. Laney, Therapist	heckpointDe c 2017 Feb 2018
Substance Abuse Prevention (SAP) Counselor "housed" at the school				Ms. J. Edwards, SAP Counselor	



6. Continued use of the No-	Rachael Neill,	All members of the	\$2000 for	4 Real-Time	NNN training
Nonsense Nurturing (NNN)	Principal Ms.	Instructional Leadership	online NNN	Coaches 30	complete by
framework from the Center for	Meyrose,	Team, BMTs, and two cohorts	course	Teachers	October 1,
Transformative Teacher Training	Mrs.McCaughna	of teachers will complete the	licenses	Instructional	2016 Real-
(CT3) to provide training for	, Mrs. Wilson,	NNN online course.	Approximatel	Leadership	Time
teachers to build positive,	and Mrs. Nava	The NNN framework will be	y \$17,000 of	Team	Coaching
productive classroom cultures.		integrated into the Beginning	Title I funds	BMT	begins by
		Teacher Support Program	to train ILT in		November 1,
		Two additional members (four	the "Real-		2016
		total) of the Instructional	Time		Checkpoints
		Leadership Team will be	Coaching		Dec 2017
		trained to "Real-Time Coach"	Approach		Feb 2017
		teachers in alignment to the			
		NNN framework. 10%			
		reduction in overall discipline			
		incidents each school year			
		(200 or fewer incidents in			
		2016-2017)			



Mastery Grading Procedures Plan – Required for All Schools			
Strategic Plan Goal:	Goal 1: Maximize academic achievement in a personalized 21st-century learning environment		
	for every child to graduate college- and career-ready.		
Strategic Plan Focus Area:	Academic growth/high academic achievement		
Data Used:	Common Assessment Data, Data disaggregation		

Strategies (determined by what data)	Point Person (title)	Evidence of Success (Student Impact)	Funding (estimated cost / source)	Personnel Involved	Timeline (Start—End)
Pre- and post- assessments created in MasteryConnect aligned to objectives.	Rachael Neill - Principal Deidra Nava – AP Andre Plaisance – AP PLC & Multi- Classroom Leaders	Students will achieve on common objective mastery assessments at 80% or higher through retesting.	Cost of Mastery Connect	Faculty	Duration of school year Checkpoints Nov 2017 Feb 2018
Data disaggregation Process of monitoring student achievement by objective in order to facilitate remediation/intervention plans (i.e. RTI) MasteryConnect as a resource to monitor student progress.	Rachael Neill - Principal Deidra Nava – AP Andre Plaisance – AP PLC & Multi- Classroom Leaders	Students will show mastery of specific objectives.	Cost of Mastery Connect	Faculty	Duration of school year MAP Assessment Dates Qtly Interim Assessments Checkpoints Nov 2017 Feb 2018



Flexible grouping (in MCL cohorts and other participating PLCs) Process of grouping students according to academic need by objective	PLC & Multi- Classroom Leaders	PLC's will be flexibly group students based on common assessment data, MAP data, and pre-assessments.	\$0	Faculty	Duration of school year Checkpoints Nov 2017 Feb 2018
4. Additional learning opportunities • Process of holding students accountable for learning via reteaching, re-assessment and assigning a final value (i.e. 80%)	Rachael Neill - Principal Deidra Nava – AP Andre Plaisance – AP PLC & Multi- Classroom Leaders	Students will achieve on common objective mastery assessments at 80% or higher through retesting.	\$0	Faculty	Duration of school year <u>Checkpoints</u> Nov 2016 Feb 2017
Late and make-up work School expectations for holding students accountable for completing assignments	Rachael Neill - Principal Deidra Nava – AP Andre Plaisance – AP	Teachers will adhere to expectations outlined in the staff handbook which will be reflected in standard I of the teacher evaluation and student achievement data.	\$0	Faculty	Duration of school year Checkpoints Nov 2017 Feb 2018
Set expectations for the timeliness of recording grades in PowerSchool (initial grades and final grades after retest if applicable) Monthly gradebook checks from administration	Rachael Neill - Principal Deidra Nava – AP Andre Plaisance – AP	Teachers will adhere to expectations outlined in the staff handbook which will be reflected in standard I of the teacher evaluation and student achievement data.	\$0	Faculty	Duration of school year <u>Checkpoints</u> Nov 2017 Feb 2018



Quail Hollow Middle School - 600 Waiver Requests

Request for Waiver

- 1. Insert the waivers you are requesting
 - Maximum Teaching Load and Maximum Class Size (grades 4-12) [required for all schools with grades 4-12]
- 2. Please identify the law, regulation or policy from which you are seeking an exemption.
 - 115C-301 (c and d) Maximum Teaching Load and Maximum Class Size [required for all schools with grades 4-12]
- 3. Please state how the waiver will be used.
 - Class size will be adjusted to address student individual instructional needs through flexible grouping of students in the
 most effective utilization of teaching teams. Maximum teaching load will be used to allow teachers in specific areas of
 the curriculum to teach students designated for specific skill needs and to address the large number of students
 requesting elective classes.
- 4. Please state how the waiver will promote achievement of performance goals.
 - This waiver will allow more flexibility in grouping students to meet their abilities and needs and thus should enhance their achievement on the performance goals.



Approval of Plan						
Committee Position	Name Signature		Date			
Principal	Rachel Neill					
Assistant Principal Representative	Andre Plaisance					
Assistant Principal Representative	Deidra Nava					
Instructional Support Representative	Jaime McCaughna					
ILT – Humanities Co-Chair	Renee Meyrose					
ILT – Humanities Co-Chair	Kristen Wawer					
ILT – Math Co-Chair	Lashae Tietsort					
ILT – Math Co-Chair	Sharon Wilson					
ILT – Science Co-Chair	Merideth Barton-Metzger					
Teacher Representative	Richard Stone					
Teacher Representative – 8th	Clarette Gray					
Teacher Representative – 7 th	Samantha Slater					
Teacher Representative – Electives	Melonie Robinson					
Parent Representative	Laura Case					
Parent Representative	Sylvia Colvin					
Parent Representative	Chris Klapheke					
Parent Representative	Brittany Knox					
Parent Representative	Jay McBride					
Parent Representative	Jason Moore					
Parent Representative	Jason Tuttle		09 / 25 / 2017			