

**Student Achievement Goal  
2019-2020  
Superintendent Annual Educator Plan  
Submitted by: Kathleen Bodie**

***Student Achievement Goal:*** Improve the District's ability to identify, diagnose, and Intervene early and effectively with elementary students who are not reading at benchmark in grades K-2 in order that all students are reading at benchmark at the end of grade 3 in the next five years.

***Rationale:*** Students who are not reading at benchmark at the end of grade 3 experience greater learning challenges in subsequent grades. One of important predictors of graduating from high school is reading proficiency at the end of third grade. Through third grade, students are learning to read, after third grade, they are reading to learn. Without proficient reading skills, a student's future educational success is jeopardized. Reading proficiency as measured by MCAS indicates that close to 30% of Arlington third grade students are not proficient.

<https://www.ccf.ny.gov/files/9013/8262/2751/AECFReporReadingGrade3.pdf>

***Key Actions in 2019-2020:***

1. All kindergarten and first grade students will be given the RAN (Rapid Automatic Naming Assessment) Object test in November because of the importance of the phonemic awareness skill in developing reading proficiency. This is the second year for this assessment in both grades. Last year's kindergarten data will be an important baseline for analyzing first grade student data this year.
2. All Grade 1 students will be given the DIBELS (Dynamic Indicators of Basic Early Literacy Skills) reading assessment, which should provide more detailed information about a student's overall reading skills, including phonemic awareness, alphabetic principle, accuracy and fluency, vocabulary, and comprehension. The information from this assessment will be used to implement Tier 1 interventions, as well as identify students who may benefit from Tier 2 reading interventions.
3. All Grade 2 students will be given a timed Foundations/Wilson nonsense word reading assessment in September, January and June. Literacy coaches will work with classroom teachers to support targeted, differentiated instruction based on the assessment results.
4. Grade 3: All teachers will teach the Teachers College Nonfiction Unit: Reading To Learn, which is the third and final expected reading workshop unit for grade 3.

- Grade 5: All teachers will teach the Teachers College Fiction Unit: Interpretation Book Clubs; Analyzing Themes. This is the second reading workshop unit for grade 5. The third and final reading workshop unit will be implemented next year – Tackling Complexity: Moving Up Levels of Nonfiction.

**Evidence of Success:**

- Assessments and new units of study completed as planned.
- Improved grade 3 reading proficiency as measured by MCAS.
- Improved grade 5 ELA proficiency as measured by MCAS.

**Standards Reference:**

**Superintendent Standards & Indicators Rubric**

**Standard I: Instructional Leadership.** *The education leader promotes the learning and growth of all students and the success of all staff by cultivating a shared vision that makes powerful teaching and learning the central focus of schooling.*

<b>Indicator I-A. Curriculum: Ensures that all instructional staff design effective and rigorous standards-based units of instruction consisting of well-structured lessons with measurable outcomes.</b>				
<b>I-A. Elements</b>	<b>Unsatisfactory</b>	<b>Needs Improvement</b>	<b>Proficient</b>	<b>Exemplary</b>
I-A-2. Lesson Development Support	Does not state expectations for administrators that they establish effective strategies to ensure development of well-structured lessons, does not provide training or support, and/or does not discriminate between strong and weak strategies for ensuring effective lesson-planning practices.	Provides limited training to administrators on how to establish effective strategies for ensuring that educators develop well-structured lessons and/or does not consistently identify and/or address patterns when there is evidence of a weak strategy being employed.	<b>Supports administrators to learn and establish effective strategies for ensuring that educators develop well-structured lessons with challenging, measurable objectives and appropriate student engagement strategies, pacing, sequence, activities, materials, technologies, and grouping.</b>	Supports administrators to collaborate on developing strategies that enable educators to consistently develop series of interconnected, well-structured lessons with challenging objectives and appropriate student engagement strategies, pacing, sequence, materials, and grouping and identifies specific exemplars and resources in each area. Is able to model this element.

**Indicator I-B. Instruction: Ensures that practices in all settings reflect high expectations regarding content and quality of effort and work, engage all students, and**

**are personalized to accommodate diverse learning styles, needs, interests, and levels of readiness.**

<b>I-B. Elements</b>	<b>Unsatisfactory</b>	<b>Needs Improvement</b>	<b>Proficient</b>	<b>Exemplary</b>
I-B-1. Instructional Practices	Does not look for evidence of and/or cannot accurately identify ways that principals identify effective teaching strategies when the principals observe practice and review unit plans..	While the superintendent may observe principal practice and artifacts, s/he only occasionally looks for evidence that principals are identifying effective teaching strategies and practices when they observe practice and review unit plans.	<b>While observing principal practice and artifacts, ensures that principals identify a variety of effective teaching strategies and practices when they observe practice and review unit plans.</b>	While observing principal practice and artifacts, ensures that principals know and employ effective strategies and practices for helping educators improve instructional practice. Is able to model this element.
I-B-2. Quality of Effort and Work	Does not set high expectations for the quality of content, student effort, and/or student work district-wide, or expectations are inappropriate.	May set high expectations for the quality of content, student effort, and student work district-wide, but allows expectations to be inconsistently applied across the district.	<b>Sets and models high expectations for the quality of content, student effort, and student work district-wide and supports administrators to uphold these expectations consistently.</b>	Sets and models high expectations for the quality of content, student effort, and student work district-wide and empowers administrators, educators and students to uphold these expectations consistently. Is able to model this element.
I-B-3. Diverse Learners' Needs	Does not look for evidence of and/or cannot accurately identify ways that principals identify effective teaching strategies and practices that are appropriate for diverse learners.	While the superintendent may observe principal practice, s/he only occasionally looks for evidence that principals are identifying effective teaching strategies and practices that are appropriate for diverse learners when they observe practices and review unit plans.	<b>While observing principal practice, ensures that principals look for and identify a variety of teaching strategies and practices that are effective with diverse learners when they observe practices and review unit plans.</b>	Employs strategies that ensure that principals know and consistently identify teaching strategies and practices that are meeting the needs of diverse learners while teaching their content. Is able to model this element.

**Standard II: Management and Operations.** *Promotes the learning and growth of all students and the success of all staff by ensuring a safe, efficient, and effective learning environment, using resources to implement appropriate curriculum, staffing, and scheduling*

**Indicator II-A. Environment: Develops and executes effective plans, procedures, routines, and operational systems to address a full range of safety, health, and emotional and social needs.**

<b>II-A. Elements</b>	<b>Unsatisfactory</b>	<b>Needs Improvement</b>	<b>Proficient</b>	<b>Exemplary</b>
II-A-1. Plans, Procedures, and Routines	Does not organize the district effectively for orderly and efficient movement of students.	May establish plans, procedures, and routines to guide administrators, but student entry, dismissal, meals, class transitions, assemblies, and recess are not consistently orderly and/or efficient.	<b>Develops systems, plans, procedures, and routines for administrators to implement that generally ensure orderly and efficient student entry, dismissal, meals, class transitions, assemblies, and recess.</b>	Establishes systems, plans, procedures, and routines that empower administrators, students and staff to implement orderly and efficient student entry, dismissal, meals, class transitions, assemblies, and recess. Is able to model this element.
II-A-2. Operational Systems	Fails to establish systems and procedures to support custodial and/or other staff, so that the campus is not generally clean, attractive, welcoming, and/or safe.	Develops systems and procedures that result in inconsistent supervision and/or support of custodial and other staff, resulting in a campus that is not consistently clean, attractive, welcoming, or safe.	<b>Develops systems and procedures for the effective supervision and support of custodial, clerical, food services, and other staff effectively so that the campus is clean, attractive, welcoming, and safe.</b>	Creates and maintains a district environment in which custodial and other staff take personal responsibility for keeping the campus clean, attractive, welcoming, and safe. Is able to model this element.
II-A-3. Student Safety, Health, and Social and Emotional Needs	Does not develop consistent procedures for student discipline; district disciplinary practice varies from school to school; often tolerates discipline violations and/or enforces district policies or procedures inconsistently.	May urge administrators to demand good student behavior but allows varying standards to exist in different schools. Supervises and supports administrators in addressing student discipline and bullying matters on a case-by-case basis in the absence of a system of procedures and consequences.	<b>Supports administrator teams in developing systems and procedures for positive student behavior; models high expectations for student behavior and provides appropriate training for administrators to uphold these expectations. Establishes district-wide routines and consequences, including policies and systems to prevent and address bullying and other behaviors that threaten students' social and emotional well-being.</b>	Guides administrators and teams to develop practices that consistently showcase high expectations for student behavior and invest staff and students in upholding these expectations. Successfully implements district-wide routines and consequences such that students take ownership over addressing bullying and other behaviors that threaten students' social and emotional well-being. Is able to model this element.

**Standard IV: Professional Culture.** Promotes success for all students by nurturing and sustaining a school culture of reflective practice, high expectations, and continuous learning for staff.

<b>Indicator IV-A. Commitment to High Standards: Fosters a shared commitment to high standards of service, teaching and learning with high expectations for achievement for all.</b>				
<b>IV-A. Elements</b>	<b>Unsatisfactory</b>	<b>Needs Improvement</b>	<b>Proficient</b>	<b>Exemplary</b>
IV-A-1. Commitment to High Standards	Does not encourage high standards of teaching and learning or high expectations for achievement with the administrator team, and/or may demonstrate low expectations for faculty and staff.	May ask administrators for commitment to high standards of teaching and learning with high expectations for achievement for all but does not support and/or model it.	<b>Fosters a shared commitment to high standards of teaching and learning, for all administrators, with high expectations for achievement for all.</b>	Leads administrators in developing a shared commitment to high standards of teaching and learning with high expectations for achievement for all. Revisits and renews commitment with administrator team regularly. Is able to model this element.

<b>Indicator IV-D. Continuous Learning: Develops and nurtures a culture in which staff members are reflective about their practice and use student data, current research, best practices and theory to continuously adapt practice and achieve improved results. Models these behaviors in the administrator's own practice.</b>				
<b>IV-D. Elements</b>	<b>Unsatisfactory</b>	<b>Needs Improvement</b>	<b>Proficient</b>	<b>Exemplary</b>
IV-D-1. Continuous Learning of Staff	Accepts the practice of administrators working largely in isolation, without consideration of data and best practices, and/or discourages reflection among administrators, faculty and staff.	May encourage administrators to reflect on the effectiveness of interactions with faculty and students and to use data and best practices to adapt practice but does not support administrators in these practices.	<b>Leads all administrators and teams to reflect on the effectiveness of interactions with faculty and students. Ensures that administrators use data, research, and best practices to adapt practice to achieve improved results.</b>	Models for administrators how to reflect on the effectiveness of interactions with faculty and students and uses data, research, and best practices to adapt practice to achieve improved results. Supports all educators to work in teams as often as is feasible and appropriate. Is able to model this element.