

Our Goals for Student Achievement

District Goals

The Board of Education sets goals for the entire district. The district goals for 2016-2017 are:

- Increase student achievement and success
- Increase student, staff, and stakeholder engagement
- Maintain high quality personnel
- Increase organizational effectiveness

Gray Station Middle School Goals

Gray Station administrators and teachers have analyzed our student performance data to decide on the most important areas of improvement for our school.

School-wide Goal #1

Gray Station Middle School will increase the percentage of students reading on grade level by five percentage points as measured by Lexile scores on the Georgia Milestones End of Grade Assessment.

School-wide Goal #2

Gray Station Middle school will increase the percentage of students reaching the Proficient and Distinguished Learner levels by three percentage points in the area of mathematics on the Georgia Milestones End of Grade Assessment.

Teachers + Parents + Students = Success

As a Gray Station Middle School Teacher, I will...

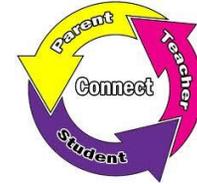
- provide families data information about their student's reading comprehension /Lexile levels and mathematics levels on a regular basis.
- provide my students with more opportunities to read non-fiction / complex texts.
- offer families opportunities to participate in workshops that address reading and mathematics strategies that can be used at home.
- Periodically send home newsletters that feature games and activities that families can review at home.

As a Gray Station Middle School Parent, I will...

- read all data information about my child that is sent home by the school.
- communicate with my child's teacher if I questions about data information.
- require my child to read each night at home; especially non-fiction books.
- participate in workshops offered by the school to learn strategies for math and reading.
- read newsletters and review any games and activities that will help my child with reading and math.

"Any book that helps a child to form a habit of reading, to make reading one of his deep and continuing needs, is good for him." ~Maya Angelou

"Alone we can do so little; together we can do so much" ~ Helen Keller



As a Gray Station Middle School Student, I will...

- Bring home all data information and newsletters that will help my family and I learn more about strategies that will help me with reading and math skills.
- practice reading at home each night; especially non-fiction books.
- let my teacher know if I am having a difficult time reading, understanding, and remembering what I have read.
- Encourage my family to participate in workshops that will help my learning in math and reading.

What the Research Says...

When schools, families, and students work to create partnerships, students tend to have:

- higher grades and test scores.
- better school attendance.
- increased motivation and higher educational aspirations.
- decreased use of drugs and alcohol.
- fewer behavior issues.



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