



Buffalo Head Prairie School

Education Plan Goals and Strategies 2021-22

Goal 1- BHPS will foster well-being and connectivity amongst students, parents, staff, and the community.

Specific Focus: Building respectful student to student interactions and a strong school community where all students are included and parents are provided with every opportunity to be part of their child's school.

Strategies:

- **Collaborative Response Model (CRM)**- Focus on connectivity, literacy, and numeracy.
- **School-wide Implementation of Second Step Program** – Focus on building an accepting, supportive and respectful student community.
- **Student/Family Connections**- Welcome back family breakfast, classroom visit invitations to parents, family activity events (Ice Cream Social, Skating/Board Games/Reading night), and an invitation to encourage parents to attend BHPS special events.
- **Classroom Leadership Service Project**- One project per class- collaboration among students/staff/parents to design a class leadership project that focuses on service to others and selflessness.
- **Staff Connectivity**- Staff bi-monthly coffee hour, staff fall canoe trip, staff potlucks, art night.

Goal 2- All students will improve literacy skills across the content areas.

Specific Focus Writing: Independence in student writing taught through workshop model

Specific Focus Reading: Building reading skills through efficiency, fluency and comprehension according to student need

Strategies:

- **School Wide Writing Focus**- Implementation and continued development of a school wide Lucy Calkins writing program.
- **Focused Reading Instruction In Efficiency, Fluency, and Comprehension**- George Georgiou phonics, Heggerty, Companion Reading, Empower, Balanced Literacy.
- **Pyramid of Reading Interventions**- Continued development of a pyramid of best reading practices and interventions tiers 1-4.
- **Literacy Experts**- Collaborative development of a staff team of literacy experts who use current data to determine and implement best practice classroom level programming.

Goal 3- All students will improve numeracy skills.

Specific Focus: Creation of a positive math culture

Specific Focus: Expansion of number sense through opportunities to develop flexible and fluent thinking

Strategies:

- **Math Talks**- School-wide focus to develop mathematical practice and deepen understanding
- **Focus on Math Instruction- End goal Guided Math**- Utilizing small group instruction in coordination with effective independent student work. Math games stations, once per week, to support concepts learned in current unit..
- **Development of Basic Math Facts**- Daily practice of math facts and use of math fact storytelling program