Southern Lehigh School District Strategic Plan Report

To: School Board Members

From: Leah Christman, Assistant Superintendent

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• Some accomplishments to date:

Academic Proficiency:

- AP-11 -All 2009 PSSA exams will be completed by week's end.
- AP-3 & 8- The Curriculum Department has meetings underway with various teams of teachers to review / update curriculum due to Intermediate School and restructuring of District.
- AP-3 & 6- Meetings continue with Catasauqua School District and teachers to plan for summer school online

Improved Communications:

- IC-1 -The electronic Newsletter with new artwork went live in April. Video on Demand and the Intermediate School site were also added.
- IC-1- The May newsletter should be completed and distributed electronically by May 2nd.
- Presentations on the Intermediate School were given to elementary school staff members April 21-23. The
 presentation for the MS is scheduled for April 28.
- IC-1- A web page on FAQ's on the Intermediate School and Virtual World Languages were created to address parent and staff questions regarding changes for 2009-10.
- IC-3-The first meeting of a new District Technology Council is scheduled for 4/29/09

Highly Qualified Teachers:

- AP-3 & HQT-1 & 4 All HS Special Education teachers have been trained in System 44 software targeted for students struggling with reading.
- HTQ-1 & AP-6- Four HS teachers presented lessons they developed for the integration of technology at the CLIU CFF Day.
- HQT-1 & 5-The Director of Secondary Ed. and four teacher s (k-12) attended the National Conference of Teachers of Mathematics April 22-24.
- HQT-5 & IC-4- Three administrators attended the BCIU Conference on Asian Studies.
- HTQ-1 & AP-3 & 6 -Elementary teachers were trained by Compass Learning on using software:
 - Math Toolkit- using virtual math manipulative materials
 - Creation of open ended writing prompts for differentiation