

# Southern Lehigh School District Strategic Plan and Middle States Report

To: School Board Members

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## **Academic Proficiency:**

- AP 1.1: Currently working on developing a Keystone/Mid-Term exam schedule that will be least invasive to our instructional time.
- AP 1.1: Examination of PSSA & PVAAS data was conducted at all buildings to assist in developing Building Plans for the 2012 – 2013 school year.
- AP 2.2: Open Houses were held at all buildings.
- AP 2.5: Buildings held beginning of the year assemblies that focus on Positive Behavior systems.
- AP 2.5: Buildings wore Red, White and Blue for Patriot day.
- AP 3.2: Universal Screening has been conducted and buildings are analyzing student data to begin our Response to Instruction and Intervention programs.
- AP 3.11: The hub at the HS is operating successfully and reducing the downtime students experience related to computer issues.
- AP 3.12: In K – 3 RtII, they are now using the EnVision Math benchmarking system to allow for better alignment to classroom instruction and provide more useful data for teacher.
- AP 6.3: Student laptops were distributed on 9/5/12 to kick off the 1:1 initiative. Students have embraced the technology and its usefulness in the classroom. Teachers are utilizing the technology for Quad D lessons and student centered integration.

## **Highly Qualified Staff:**

- HQ 1.1: K – 3 staff have begun to be trained in the ELA PA Common Core Standards.
- HQ 1.3: Staff are in the process of creating personal goals and selecting their supervision models for the year. As a district we are beginning to utilize the Teacher Effectiveness program from the state.
- HQ 1.6: As part of the Teacher Effectiveness program participating staff will take an online training.
- HQ 1.8: Academy sessions took place on a variety of topics.
- HQ-3.1: Liberty Bell PTA is hosting two coffee hours for parents of our KDG and 1<sup>st</sup> Graders. It is designed to get the parents in to network and meet other parents in their students' class and grade level and get them involved in the school community.

## **Improved Communications:**

- IC 1.4: Counselors met with 12<sup>th</sup> grade students to discuss college plans/processes and they will also be holding brown bag lunch sessions with students interested in meeting w/ counselors to discuss further plans.
- IC 1.5: The Human Resources page on district has been revised to incorporate the new online application system.
- IC 5.1: Moved to an online application system called Netchemia. All applications are now completed electronically and they are reviewed online by administrators as part of the hiring process.
- IC 5.1: Enhancements to the Sapphire Community Portal allows for easy posting of District messages.
- IC 5.1: Buildings continue to utilize Bb Connect to communicate with parents on an ongoing basis.
- IC 7.1: Board Policies have been revised/created along with their accompanying ARs when appropriate.