Mercer County Senior High School School Based Decision Making Council Meeting Agenda

August 16, 2021 4:00 pm

Members:

Spencer Tatum, Principal & Chair Ekambaram Elumalai, Teacher Representative Kendra Rowland, Teacher Representative Christina Emmanuel, Teacher Representative Jo Luthe, Parent Representative Julie Peavler, Parent Representative Mike Floro, Council Secretary

Opening Business

- Welcome
- Agenda Approval
- July Minutes
- Good News Report

Behavior/PBIS Report

Academic Progress Check

Budget Report

New Business

- School opening update
- KASC delegate
- Local Planning Committee appointments
- Mercer County American Rescue Plan
- Program Appraisal Policy (2nd Reading)
- Technology Use Policy (2nd Reading)
- Upcoming dates/events

Public Comment
Set time & date for next meeting
Adjourn

Mercer County Senior High SBDM Council Regular Monthly Meeting

July 19th, 2021 – Draft Minutes

The meeting was called to order by Mr. Tatum at 9:01 a.m. in the media center. The following members of the council were in attendance:

Present :	Absent:
Spencer Tatum, Principal	Ekambaram Elumalai, Teacher Rep
Kendra Rowland, Teacher Rep	
Jo Luthe, Parent Rep	
Julie Peavler, Parent Rep	
Mike Floro, SBDM Secretary	

Agenda Approval

Motion to accept: K. Rowland, second by Luthe Motion was approved by consensus.

Minutes Approval

June minutes were reviewed by the council. *Motion to accept:* K. Rowland, second by Peavler
Motion was approved by consensus.

Good News Report

- Jacey Catlett signed to become a cheerleader at the University of Kentucky.
- Stevie Sheperd signed to play softball at Pasco-Hernando State College in Florida.
- Fall sports have started with workouts and pre-season practices.
- Band camp is underway in preparation for the 2021 marching band season.
- Titan Academy will run from July 19-July 28th.

Monthly Reports

Behavior: None reported

Academic:

- Titan Academy has 135 total students enrolled in it with various students coming to different sessions throughout the 8 day window.
- There are 102 freshmen registered to attend the Freshman orientation on 7/27/21.

Budget: The 2020-21 Section 6 funds show approximately \$132,462.25 remaining. The district activity accounts show \$412,740.20 remaining. The student activity accounts show \$29,801.13 remaining.

Old Business

None

New Business

- Kendra Rowland was chosen as the Vice-Chair of the SBDM Council.
 - Motion to accept: Luthe, second by Peavler.
- An update on the job postings was given. There is still an open position for Engineering, the English I job was filled by Josh Hamlin, Sarah Long was hired as a Social Worker, and Katie Gilley was transferred to the HS as a school psychologist.
- As of this meeting, the 2021-22 school year is planned to open as a normal school year (COVID).
- Required Open Records Forms and other documents were given to SBDM members to fill out, sign, and turn back in.
- There will be a special called meeting on Tuesday 7/26 @ noon to have a 2nd reading of the 2021-22 Student Handbook.

Student Handbook (1st Reading)

• A section was added to include the district having a full time nurse practitioner in the district. *Motion to accept:* Luthe, second by Peavler.

Advanced Placement/Dual Credit Courses (2nd Reading)

No changes

Motion to accept: K. Rowland, second by Peavler

Principal Selection Policy (2nd Reading)

No changes

Motion to accept: Luthe, second by Peavler

Program Appraisal Policy (1st Reading):

No changes

Motion to accept: K. Rowland, second by Peavler

Technology Use Policy (1st Reading):

No changes

Motion to accept: K. Rowland, second by Luthe

Upcoming dates/events:

June 21 SBDM 9 00am

June 25-July 9 KHSAA Dead Period

July 15 Board meeting 5 30pm

July 19-28 Titan Academy

August 9 Opening Day

August 11 1st Day of School

The list was reviewed and Mr. Tatum will continue to share dates with the staff weekly.

Public Comments

None

The next regular monthly meeting will be August 16th at 4:00 p.m and July 27th at noon for a special called meeting. The SBDM council was adjourned at 9:37 a.m. The motion was made by Luthe and seconded by K. Rowland. Motion was approved by consensus.

Submitted by Mike Floro, recording secretary

Mercer County Senior High SBDM Council Special Called Meeting

July 22nd, 2021 – Draft Minutes

The meeting was called to order by Mr. Tatum at 12:00 p.m. in office 106. The following members of the council were in attendance:

Present :	Absent:
Spencer Tatum, Principal & Chair	Mike Floro, SBDM Secretary
Kendra Rowland, Teacher Rep & Co-Chair	Vacant, Teacher Rep
Jo Luthe, Parent Rep	
Julie Peavler, Parent Rep	
Ekambaram Elumalai, Teacher Rep	

Agenda Approval

Motion to accept: Eka, second by Luthe Motion was approved by consensus.

New Business

- 2021-22 Student Handbook (2nd Reading)

Motion to Accept: K. Rowland, second by Peavler

Public Comments

None

The next regular monthly meeting will be August 16th at 4:00 p.m. The SBDM council was adjourned at 12:05 p.m. The motion was made by Eka and seconded by Luthe. Motion was approved by consensus.

Submitted by Mike Floro, recording secretary

Good News Report – August 16, 2021

- Reese Johnson won a 4 year full scholarship to any Kentucky public college, university, technical or trade school as part of Kentucky's "Shot at a million" sweepstakes, the state's vaccine incentive program.
- Fall sports teams have started their seasons. This fall we have boys and girls soccer, boys and girls cross country, volleyball, boys and girls golf, and football competing.
- Kentucky Farm Bureau, located in the Summit Center, have partnered with Mercer County Schools to purchase ALL Mercer County K-12 student tickets for ALL regular season home games at KMS and MCSHS this school year.
- Devine Carama, a motivational speaker from Lexington, spoke to our student body about the importance of Leadership.

Section 6 Accounts	2021-22 Budget	Balance as of August 11, 2021
Certified Permanent Salary		
Extended Day		
Extra Service		
Other Certified	700	700.00
Certified Substitute Salary	1,000	1,000
Classified Regular Salary		
Classified Other Pay		
Classified Substitute Salary		
Employer FICA Contribution		
Employer Medicare Contribution	100	100
KTRS Employer Contribution	100	100
CERS Employer Contribution		
KSBA Unemployment Insurance	50	50
Workshop Consultant	250	250
Education Consultant		
Registration Fees	2,000	-1,595.00
Conference Registration		
Security Services		
Other Professional Services		-430.00
Copier Rental	18,000	3,000.00
Other Rental	200	200.00
Postage & PO Box Rental	3,000	480.00
Telephone	1,000	1,000
Newspaper Advertising		
Travel	2,500	2,357
General Supplies	20,000.00	1,219.26
General Supplies (Library)	500	277.22
Food Non Instructional	500	384.03
Food Instructional Non Food Service	250	250.00
Library Books (Library)	2,000	1,485.50
Periodicals (Library)	1,000	1,000.00
Supplemental Books/Study Guides		
Textbooks		
Audiovisual Materials (Library)	250	-438.25
Tests	250	250
Reference Materials	250	250
Computer Related Supplies	15,000	15,000
Awards	250	250
Health Supplies	1,000	1000
Equipment Supplies	-	
Furniture/Fixtures	+	
Furniture/Fixture supplies	-	
Other Supplies & Materials Tech Related Hardware	500	357.00
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Computers (Library) Tech Software	500	500.00
	500	500.00
Instructional Equipment Dues & Fees	500	500
	1,000	620.00
Graduation Expenses Other Miscellaneous	FF 272	CC 433
Food Instructional Non Food Service	55,372	55,122
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General Supplies (School supplies)	39,571	26,406.68
Other Repairs and Maintenance General Supplies (Custodial)	20,000	500.00
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District Activity Accounts @ Central Office	Balance as of August 11, 2021
Destitute Senior	312.36
Class of 2023	402.25
Driver's Education	11,700.00
General Fund	20,191.33
Ag Shop	8,687.87
AP Exam	4,562.36
Art	265.48
Band	5,548.53
Chorus	624.22
Drama	5,740.61
English	7.65
Class of 2020	2798.5
Foreign Language	579.21
Horticulture	71,632.93
Library Book Fair	567.84
Class of 2021	767.34
Mercer Foundation Grant	14,445.99
Yearbook	
	8,747.58
Pictures	2,829.27
Science	-103.00
Senior Trip	160.38
Summer School	9,262.80
Technology	846.87
Class of 2022	5,354.09
Textbooks	16,902.39
College Tech Educational	903.83
Staff Fund	2,272.15
Col. Chinn Scholarship	500.00
Alvis Johnson Scholarship	2,190.00
School Store	140.35
General Athletics	41,559.19
Archery	78.80
Baseball	997.36
Boys Basketball	5,504.66
Girls Basketball	621.52
Cheerleading	521.27
Cross Country	326.13
Dance	79.97
Football	544.47
Football Bowl Game	29,870.72
Football Capital	6,092.80
Football Supplemental	24,148.98
Golf	631.02
Boys Soccer	74.47
Girls Soccer	5,855.29
Softball	2,106.25
Boys Tennis	1,133.79
Girls Tennis	1,133.79
Track	1,433.46
Volleyball	
	27.92
Bass Fishing	4,206.56
Heart of the Bluegrass	4,839.98
Athletics Supplemental	3,618.78
Gate Receipts	67,377.99
Athletics Training	370.00
TOTAL	400,982.65

Student Activity Accounts @ Central Office Balance as of August 11, 2021

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Thirst Club	24
KYA/KUNA	43.61
Fellowship of Christian Athletes	968.26
Republican Club	111
Unity Club	206.01
FCCLA	953.81
Engineering Club	674
Future Educators of America	129.81
National Honor Society	779.24
Spanish Club	1,232.12
Student Council	416.99
Key Club	65.71
Film Club	121.31
Envirothon Team	75.03
Book Club	634.32
Beta Scholarship	170
Project Graduation	1,965.39
Beta Club	1,188.78
FFA	-1,340.90
School Store	152
Student Vending	1,199.08
Pep Club	818.87
Weightlifting	381.34
Chess Club	596.55
TOTAL	11,566.83

Vaccination clinics in an effort to provide vaccinations to educators, other staff, students, and families if eligible Additional staffing for full time substitutes in each building Additional school nurses, additional staff to check temperatures, additional staff to supervise isolated students Contact tracing in combination with isolation and quarantine, in collaboration with the State and local health departments Improving ventilation systems or purchasing new ventilation systems (HVAC) Additional staff for on-going cleaning during the school day and sanitization during non-instructional hours Handwashing and respiratory/cough etiquette Personal Protective Equipment Physical distancing **Prevention and Mitigation Strategies** for Health and Family Services, and the Kentucky Department of Education and local Health Department. we will adjust as needed to follow any updated guidance in accordance with the Centers for Disease Control, the Kentucky Cabinet protocols listed below. Furthermore, we will continually monitor and evaluate the effectiveness of each of these practices, and Mercer County is committed to staff and student health and safety as we return to in-person and hybrid learning post pandemic. Cleaning and maintaining healthy facilities To continue to mitigate the effects and reduce the spread of COVID-19, we will utilize funds to implement the practices and Narrative: Section 1:

Appropriate accommodations for children with disabilities with respect to the health and safety policies
Water bottle refill stations
Plexiglass to support physical distancing
1:1 Technology devices
Signage and printed communication of health and safety protocols in multiple languages
Badge System

Section 2:

Narrative:

so, the research citations and links for those evidence-based interventions, as well as a rationale explaining how our district will will intentionally address to mitigate the impact of lost instructional time, the evidence-based interventions we will utilize to do of lost instructional time through evidence-based interventions. The plans below detail the areas of focus Mercer County Schools Section 2 of this American Rescue Plan is focused on how Mercer County Schools will utilize funds to address the academic impact implement each evidence-based intervention.

		Focus	Area of
		Intervention	Evidence-Based Research
	Hamilton, L., Halverson, R., Jackson, S.,		Research
י ביי ביי ביי ביי מייני מייני מייני ביי מייני ארוווייו	PICs will be used as an evidence-based intervention		Implementation Rationale

Instruction	Professional Learning Communities	Mandinach, E., Supovitz, J., & Wayman, J. (2009). Using student achievement data to support instructional decision making (NCEE 2009-4067). Washington, DC: National Center for Education Evaluation and Regional Assistance, Institute of Education Sciences, U.S. Department of Education. https://ies.ed.gov/ncee/wwc/Docs/PracticeGuide/dddm_pg_092909.pdf	that ensures a focus on student learning and building a collaborative culture that is results driven. This practice will promote equity for students. Analysis of classroom level data will drive teacher reflection of their instructional practices. Some implementation strategies include initial training on the PLC process and book studies that deepen understanding of PLCs.
	Formative Assessment	Black, P., & William, D. (1998). Inside the black box: Raising standards through classroom assessment. <i>Phi Delta Kappan</i> , 92, 81 -90. http://weaeducation.typepad.co.uk/files/blackbox-1.pdf	Formative assessment will be used as an evidence-based intervention specifically focused on learning loss that provides on-going information regarding student progress towards a measurable academic goal. Some implementation strategies include ongoing training on strategies to use before, during, and after a lesson that provide information on student progress and to inform teaching and learning.
	Student Engagement Strategies	Fredricks, J., McColskey, W., Meli, J., Mordica, J., Montrosse, B., and Mooney, K. (2011). Measuring student engagement in upper elementary through high school: a description of 21 instruments. (Issues & Answers Report, REL 2011–No. 098). Washington, DC: U.S. Department of Education, Institute of Education Sciences, National Center for Education Evaluation and Regional Assistance, Regional Educational Laboratory Southeast. https://ies.ed.gov/ncee/edlabs/regions/southeast/ndffrel_2011008.pdf	Student engagement strategies will be used as an evidence-based intervention to provide meaningful student involvement in classroom learning and address learning loss. Strategies such as accountable talk, choral responding, opportunities to respond, questioning strategies, wait time, guided notes, graphic organizers, use of visuals, student goalsetting, etc. increase student investment in their own learning and are linked to greater student achievement. Some implementation strategies include training for teachers on multiple

Marion, S., Thompson, J., Evans, C., Martineau, J., and Dadey, N. (2019). A tricky balance: The challenges and opportunities of balanced systems of assessments. Presented	MacSuga-Gage, A. & Simonsen, B. (2015). Examining the effects of teacher directed opportunities to respond on student outcomes: A systematic review of the literature. <i>Education and Treatment of Children</i> , 38, 211-240. https://files.eric.ed.gov/fulltext/EJ1070193.p	Macsuga-Gage A.S., Simonsen B., Briere D.E. Effective teaching practices: Effective teaching practices that promote a positive classroom environment. <i>Beyond Behavior</i> . 2012;22(1):14-22. doi:10.1177/107429561202200104	Haydon T., Macsuga-Gage A.S., Simonsen B., Hawkins R. Opportunities to respond: A key component of effective instruction. <i>Beyond Behavior</i> . 2012;22(1):23-31. doi:10.1177/107429561202200105	Gould, E. (2011). Doing one thing (DOT) to increase student engagement: Increasing student opportunities to respond. <i>Link Lines</i> , FebMarch. https://education.wm.edu/centers/ttac/resources/articles/challengebehav/stepupstudentengagement/index.php
				engagement strategies, follow-up training on how these strategies are being implemented, materials and technology to implement engagement strategies.

Whitney, T, Cooper, J. T., & Lingo, A. S.	
Simonsen, B., & Myers, D. (2015). Classwide positive behavior interventions and supports: A guide to proactive classroom management. Guilford Press.	
education for children and youth, 58:4, 193- 200, https://doi.org/10.1080/1045988X.2013.787 58	
Scott, T.M., Hirn, R.G. & Alter P. J. (2014) Teacher instruction as a predictor for student engagement and disruptive behaviors, preventing School Failure: alternative	
Martin, B., Sargent, K., Van Camp, A., & Wright, J. (2018). Practice Guide: Increasing opportunities to respond as an intensive intervention. Washington, DC: US Department of Education, Office of Special Education Programs. https://files.eric.ed.gov/fulltext/ED591076.p	
at the annual meeting of the National Council on Measurement in Education. Toronto, Canada. https://www.nciea.org/sites/default/files/publications/A%20Tricky%20Balance 031319.pdf	

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Data Systems	
Hamilton, L., Halverson, R., Jackson, S., Mandinach, E., Supovitz, J., & Wayman, J. (2009). Using student achievement data to support instructional decision making (NCEE 2009-4067). Washington, DC: National Center for Education Evaluation and Regional Assistance, Institute of Education Sciences, U.S. Department of Education. https://ies.ed.gov/ncee/wwc/Docs/PracticeGuide/dddm_pg_092909.pdf Kekahio, W., & Baker, M. (2013). Five steps for structuring data-informed conversations and action in education. (REL 2013–001). Washington, DC: U.S. Department of Education, Institute of Education Sciences, National Center for Education Evaluation and Regional Assistance, Regional Educational Laboratory Pacific. https://ies.ed.gov/ncee/edlabs/regions/pacific/pdf/REL_2013001.pdf	(2017) Increasing Student Engagement Through Opportunities to Respond. Kentucky Teacher Education Journal: The Journal of the Teacher Education Division of the Kentucky Council for Exceptional Children: Vol. 3: lss. 2, Article 3. https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/cgi/viewcontent.cgi?article=1018&context=ktej
Data systems will be used as an evidence-based intervention to gather and report data and to use data-based decision making to generate a strategic action plan that addresses learning loss. The data system provides the framework upon which data teams look for patterns and make observations about the data. The analysis of academic and behavioral data informs instructional practices and provides a data team with insight into what strategies (both behavioral and instructional) are working well and which need to be reconsidered. Some implementation strategies include stipends for teacher training on how to utilize the data system to inform instruction, and the purchase of the data system. Edgenuity will be used as an online resource. IReady will be used as the universal screener.	

Multi-Tiered Systems of Support	Responsive Teaching
Arden, S. V., Gandhi, A. G., Zumeta Edmonds, R., & Danielson, L. (2017). Toward more effective tiered systems: Lessons from national implementation efforts. Exceptional	teaching work? An examination from student perspectives. <i>SAGE Open</i> , <i>6</i> (3), 1-10. https://journals.sagepub.com/doi/10.1177/2 158244016660744 Gay, G. (2010). <i>Culturally Responsive Teaching: theory, research, and practice</i> (2nd ed.). Teachers College. Moore, A, L., Giles, R. M., & Vitulli, P. (2021) "Prepared to Respond? Investigating preservice teachers' perceptions of their readiness for Culturally Responsive Teaching." <i>International Journal for the Scholarship of Teaching and Learning:</i> Vol. 15: No. 1, Article 10. https://digitalcommons.georgiasouthern.edu/cgi/viewcontent.cgi?article=2072&context=i-j-sotl Piazza, S. V., Rao, S., & Protacio, M. S. (2015). Converging recommendations for culturally responsive literacy practices: Students with learning disabilities, English language learners. <i>International Journal of Multicultural Education, 17</i> (3), 1-20. https://eric.ed.gov/?id=EJ1104910
Multi-Tiered Systems of Support will be used as an evidence-based framework to give universal, supplemental and targeted support to all students. The four components of MTSS include universal	evidence-based intervention to narrow achievement gaps and to provide student-centered and authentic instruction that is inclusive, scaffolds student learning, and provides a challenging curriculum in a respectful climate. Culturally relevant teachers take personal responsibility for the success of all students and create connections between classroom content and students' background knowledge while taking into account students' cultural identities and the assets those identities bring to the classroom. Some implementation strategies include training of all teachers and staff on cultural competence and culturally responsive teaching, high quality instructional materials that are actively engaging, student centered, culturally inclusive, and high quality student materials such the purchasing of class sets of texts and educational materials that are inclusive of student cultures and languages.

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Springer	of support (2nd ed.) (pp. 719-732). New	science and practice of multi-tiered systems	Handbook of Response to Intervention: The	Burns, & A. M. VanDerHeyden (Eds.),	systems of support. In S. R. Jimerson, M. K.	response-to-intervention model: Multi-tiered	A. M., & Deno, S. L. (2016). Toward a unified	Burns, M. K., Jimerson, S. R., VanDerHeyden,		nttps://eric.ea.gov//la=EJ1146326.		Children, 83(3), 269–280.
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Freeman, J., Sugai, G., Simonsen, B., & Everett, S. (2017). MTSS coaching: Bridging knowing to doing. Theory Into Practice, 56(1), 29–37. DOI: 10.1080/00405841.2016.1241946

Jimerson, S. R., Burns, M. K., & VanDerHeyden, A. M. (2016). From response to intervention to multi-tiered systems of support: Advances in the science and practice of assessment and intervention. In S.

screening, data-based decision making, multi-level prevention systems, and progress monitoring. All components make up an effective MTSS framework which allows districts and schools to provide core differentiated instruction and intervention in a timely manner to support students' learning loss. Some implementation strategies include training on the MTSS Framework. The purchase of evidence-based programs for intervention, a universal screener, and a progress monitoring system. Additionally, data platforms may be used to help districts and schools effectively analyze data and make data-based decisions. Will also provide full day preschool.

		Positive Behavioral Interventions and Supports	
OSEP Technical Assistance Center on Positive Behavioral Interventions and Supports (October 2015). Positive Behavioral Interventions and Supports (PBIS) Implementation Blueprint: Part 1 – Foundations and Supporting Information.	Horner, R.H., Sugai, G. & Anderson, C. M. (2010). Examining the Evidence Base for School-Wide Positive Behavior Support. Focus on Exceptional Children. 42. 1-14. 10.17161/fec.v42i8.6906.	Freeman, J., Simonsen, B., McCoach, D. B., Sugai, G., Lombardi, A., & Horner, R. (2017). Relationship Between School-Wide Positive Behavior Interventions and Supports and Academic, Attendance, and Behavior Outcomes in High Schools. <i>Journal of Positive Behavior Interventions</i> , <i>18</i> (1), 41-51. DOI:10.1177/1098300715580992	Terrance M Scott, Nicholas A Gage, Regina G Hirn, Amy Shearer Lingo & Jon Burt (2019) An examination of the association between MTSS implementation fidelity measures and student outcomes, Preventing School Failure: Alternative Education for Children and Youth, 63:4, 308-316, DOI: 10.1080/1045988X.2019.1605971
		PBIS will be used as an evidence-based intervention to develop school-wide expectations, targeted interventions and supports, and data-driven decisions making to improve student behavior and student outcomes. Some implementation strategies include training for teachers and staff. The use of funds to secure a data collection system is also a possible implementation strategy.	

https://www.bis.com/proceedings/second/pbiss- https://www.bis.com/proceedings/second/pbiss- https://www.bis.com/proceedings/second/pbiss- mmplementation-blueprint Scott, T.M., Gage, N. An Examination of the Association Between Feacher's Instructional Practices and School-Wide Disciplinary and Academic Outcomes. Educ. Treat. Child. 43, 223–235 (2020), 100-200. 223-235 (2020), 100-200. Simonsen, B., & Myers, D. (2015). Closswide positive behavior interventions and supports: A guide to proactive clossroom management. Guillord Press. Sugal, G., Horner, R. H. (2015). School-wide PBIS. An Example of Applied Behavior Analysis implemented on Scale of Social Importance. Behavior Analysis Practice Feb2015. DOI: 10.1007/s40617-015-0045-4. US Department of Education, (July, 2014). Dear colleague letter on the nondiscriminatory administration of school discipline, https://www2.ed.gov/about/offices/list/ocr// etters/colleague-201401-title-vi-html U.S. Department of Education Office for (Vill Rights, (March, 2014). Civil rights data collection: Data snapshot (School Discipline). https://www2.ed.gov/about/offices/list/ocr// doss/crids-colleague-and-career-readiness- snapshot_pdf

	ELA	
Teaching Essential Skills	High Quality Instruction and Materials	
Foorman, B., Beyler, N., Borradaile, K., Coyne, M., Denton, C. A., Dimino, J., Furgeson, J., Hayes, L., Henke, J., Justice, L., Keating, B., Lewis, W., Sattar, S., Streke, A., Wagner, R., & Wissel, S. (2016). Foundational skills to support reading for understanding in kindergarten through 3rd grade (NCEE 2016-	Kamil, M. L., Borman, G. D., Dole, J., Kral, C. C., Salinger, T., and Torgesen, J. (2008). Improving adolescent literacy: Effective classroom and intervention practices: A Practice Guide (NCEE #2008-4027). Washington, DC: National Center for Education Evaluation and Regional Assistance, Institute of Education Sciences, U.S. Department of Education. https://ies.ed.gov/ncee/wwc/Docs/PracticeGuide/adlit_pg_082608.pdf	Walker, H. M., Horner, R. H., Sugai, G., Bullis, M., Sprague, J. R., Bricker, D., & Kaufman, M. J. (1996). Integrated approaches to preventing antisocial behavior patterns among school-age children and youth. <i>Journal of Emotional and Behavioral Disorders</i> , 4, 193-256. https://doi.org/10.1177/1063426696004004
Prioritizing essential skills and standards will be used as an evidence-based intervention that helps teachers provide targeted support for the most important content. Teachers will work together to determine essential standards that will receive the most instructional time, will be frequently revisited,	The use of high quality instruction and materials will be used as an evidence-based intervention to explicitly teach vocabulary, to provide direct and explicit instruction on comprehension strategies, and to provide opportunities for extensive study of the meaning and interpretation of a text. Possible implementation strategies include training on various vocabulary strategies, training on highest effect size comprehension strategies for elementary and secondary students, investment and training in implementing leveled texts, hiring of ELA interventionists, and the creation of school-wide guided reading programs including purchasing of books, and book studies.	

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collaborate before each instructional unit to revise	uide/wwc found reading summary 051517		
training on the standards and time for teachers to	https://ies.ed.gov/ncee/wwc/Docs/practiceg		
illost locus. Implementation strategies include	Sciences, U.S. Department of Education.		
most focus Implementation strategies include	Assistance (NCEE), Institute of Education		
he talight hit essential standards will receive the	Education Evaluation and Regional		
and talight to mastery. All required standards will	4008). Washington, DC: National Center for		

	Prioritizing Essential Standards	and the National Council of Supervisors of Mathematics (June 2020). Moving Forward: Mathematics Learning in the Era of COVID-19. https://www.mathedleadership.org/mathematics-learning-in-the-era-of-covid-19/	Prioritizing essential skills and standards will be used as an evidence-based intervention that helps teachers provide targeted support for the most important content. Teachers will work together to determine essential standards that will receive the most instructional time, will be frequently revisited, and taught to mastery. All required standards will
Response to	Titan Academy	https://docs.google.com/document/d/1ia8g	Titan Academy is our approach to the learning learning.
Learning Loss	litan Academy	1UbTsHBYT2GyZWGWXGAjHUU75aXU/edit# heading=h.gjdgxs	for our students during the 2020-21 school year. The Titan Academy will be a three-year intervention/extension program striving to provide
			exposure for lost content and assistance on instructional gaps brought about by the COVID-19 impact on student learning. Curriculum and
			instructional targets will be generated from a needs
			and from teacher-generated contextual information
			regarding classroom standards that need to be prioritized. The Academy will consist of 24 days of
			direct, focused, small-group instruction led by certified teachers, assisted by classified aides.

Section 3:	
Narrative:	
Section 3 of the American Rescue P	Section 3 of the American Rescue Plan will contain the other items Mercer County Schools will use the funds for to support
student safety, learning loss and district needs	strict needs.
Bleachers	The purchasing of new bleachers for MCES is for the safety and social distancing of the
	students and community.
Classified / Certified raise	A pay increase shows the dedication the staff have to the students and families of Mercer
	County. During the past year, teachers and staff have gone above and beyond a normal
	year to keep our students and families safe, informed, educated and cared for.
Bus cost	The purchasing of additional busses allows us to social distance and keep our students safe.

Section 4:

Narrative:

how we will ensure the selected interventions address the academic impact of lost instructional time. This section also addresses how Mercer County Schools conducted meaningful consultation with required stakeholders and utilized feedback when creating Section 4 of this ARP details how we are responding to the academic, social-emotional, and mental health needs of all students and

our district plan.			
Area of Focus	Evidence-Based	Research	Implementation Rationale
	Intervention		
Mental Health Wellness	Trauma	Courtney Wiest-Stevenson & Cindy Lee	Creating trauma informed and trauma
& Social Emotional	Informed	(2016) Irauma-Intormed Schools,	sensitive schools will be an area of focus for
Learning	Schools	Work, 13:5, 498-503, DOI:	Mercer County Schools. The district will
(10.1080/23761407.2016.1166855	utilize Trauma Teams at the district and
			building level to build capacity to effectively
		Longhi, D. (2015). Higher resilience and	and efficiently respond to student trauma
		school performance among students	within the district.
		with disproportionately high adverse childhood experiences (ACEs) at	a.) Understanding trauma, types of trauma
		Lincoln High, in Walla Walla,	and traumatic
		Washington, 2009 to 2013. Olympia,	stress
		WA: Participatory Research Consulting,	b.) Trauma and the brain
		https://www.passessonnestion.com/fil	c.) Trauma Teams roles and responsibilities
		eSendAction/fcType/0/fcOid/4663071	(data tracking)
		03279770868/filePointer/4663071032	d.) What is a Trauma Sensitive School
		81285022/fodoid/4663071032812850	e.) Handle with Care: Responding to Trauma
		18/LH%20report%20final%20%281%29 .pdf	Exposed Students
		Missouri Department of Health.	Funding will provide additional staffing at

Pynoos, R. S, Fairbank, J. A., Steinberg, A. M., Amaya-Jackson, L., Gerrity, E., Mount, M. L., & Maze, J. (2008). The National Child Traumatic Stress Network: Collaborating to improve the standard of care. <i>Professional Psychology: Research and Practice</i> , 39(4), 389–395. https://doi.org/10.1037/a0012551 Substance abuse and mental health services administration. (2014). SAMHSA's Concept of Trauma and Guidance for a Trauma-Informed Approach. HHS Publication No. (SMA) 14-4884. Rockville, MD: Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration. https://ncsacw.samhsa.gov/userfiles/files/SAMHSA Trauma Sensitive Schools Training Package. (2021). National Center on Safe and Supportive Learning Environments. https://safesupportivelearning.ed.gov/	(2019). The Missouri Model: A developmental framework for trauma informed approaches. MO Dept. of Mental Health and Partners. https://dmh.mo.gov/media/pdf/missouri-model-developmental-framework-trauma-informed-approaches
	the district level for a school social worker who is a part of the district trauma team, track district and school level data, create and manage the district referral pathway, and make best practice recommendations for trauma interventions.

Programming	Social Emotional	Mental Health Therapists School Resource Officers	
https://www.positiveaction.net/introduction and https://www.harmonysel.org	https://characterstrong.com/	James, R. K., Logan, J., & Davis, S. A. (2011). Including School Resource Officers in school-based crisis intervention: Strengthening student support. School Psychology International, 32(2), 210–224. https://doi.org/10.1177/01430343114008828	trauma-sensitive-schools-training- package
The district will train all staff on Social Emotional Competencies. Teachers and paraprofessionals in grades PreK-12 will be trained on the evidence-based social emotional curriculum each school chooses to utilize and all students will receive social emotional instruction. The district will also provide training on best practices as grade level district wide teams work to	Evidence-based SEL programs for our	The district will utilize funds to hire additional mental health therapists to work at the school and district level to support and provide direct therapy services to students and staff. The district will create a law enforcement department which will employ a Mercer County Schools SRO resource officer to serve each school building in the district as recommended in KRS 158.44144415	

		incorporate SEL into each content area to maximize student and teacher proficiency of social emotional competencies. Programs will be purchased for K-12 SEL.
Community Mental Health		We collaborate with outside agencies and help with referrals and support when needed. FRYSC also provide this service.

Stakeholder Input:

district website to the following groups: creating a recovery plan, stakeholder feedback was solicited in multiple ways. Stakeholder surveys were sent via social media and families, community agencies, and local businesses begin to recover from the COVID-19 pandemic. Prior to Mercer County Schools Mercer County Schools recognizes the importance of stakeholder feedback and input as students, teachers, administrators,

- students enrolled
- parents/guardians of students enrolled
- parents/guardians of students with disabilities
- community members

In addition to surveys, focus groups were held including:

- school and district administrators
- local health department
- . local law enforcement agencies (police and sheriff)
- Emergency Responders (Fire and EMS)
- e. Mental health providers (school psychologist, counselors, and social workers)
- Board members approved plans

PROGRAM APPRAISAL POLICY

PROGRAM APPRAISAL NEEDS ASSESSMENT

Our improvement planning process will include:

- an analysis of our KPREP data and other school data as necessary to discover the extent to which our students are meeting state standards.
- systematic work to discover and correct the causes of barriers to high performance by all students and the movement of students toward our goals.
- a complete and clear data-based improvement plan that sets goals and addresses causes to help move our students closer to state standards, according to the timetable established by the Kentucky Board of Education.
- ongoing monitoring and evaluation of the implementation and impact of our improvement plan.

We will implement this process, including appraisal of the effectiveness of all our programs, through our needs assessments and our implementation and impact checks.

PROGRAM APPRAISAL RESPONSIBILITY

The Leadership Team will be responsible for program appraisal and will make recommendations concerning program changes/revisions to the council.

POLICY EVALUATION

This policy will be evaluated by the Leadership Team in the fall of every new school year. Recommendations (if any) for revisions will be presented in writing to the council for consideration and adoption. Recommendations should be made as soon as possible in the school year but no later than the January council meeting.

Approved:	Chairperson:	

TECHNOLOGY USE POLICY

TECHNOLOGY USE NEEDS ASSESSMENT

Our improvement planning process will include:

- an analysis of our state assessment data and other school data as necessary to discover the extent to which our students are meeting state standards.
- systematic work to discover and correct the causes of barriers to high performance by all students and the movement of students toward our goals.
- a complete and clear data-based improvement plan that sets goals and addresses causes to help move our students closer to state standards according to the timetable established by the Kentucky Board of Education.
- ongoing monitoring and evaluation of the implementation and impact of our improvement plan.

We will implement this process, including a review of technology use and barriers to use, through our needs assessments and our implementation and impact checks.

ACCEPTABLE USE

When students enter grades 9 through 12 for the first time in high school, they will be required to sign and date the Mercer County School District Acceptable Use Policy (Appendix A) in order to have access to school computers. This policy is Attachment D and considered part of this Technology Use Policy approved by the council. This document will be reviewed annually with students at the start of each year during orientation and handbook review.

POLICY EVALUATION

This policy as well as the student Acceptable Use Policy will be evaluated by the Leadership Team in the fall of every new school year. Recommendations (if any) for revisions of either this policy and/or the Acceptable Use Policy will be presented in writing to the council for consideration and adoption. Recommendations should be made as soon as possible in the school year but no later than the January council meeting.

Approved:	Chairperson:	
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Upcoming Dates

August 19 Board meeting 5:30

September 6 Labor Day - No School

September 7 School Picture Day

September 8 Club Day

September 10 Blood Drive

September 16 Board meeting 5:30

September 20 SBDM 4:00