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Equity: Getting to All Plan Progress Review Education Committee February 5, 2013



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1. Empowering Effective Teachers

	Description
Number of Affiliates	 10 Licensed Affiliates 3 CRI, 3 Central Office Staff, 2 Beacon School Principals, 1 Student Services, and 1 Teacher/Student Activities Director
Affiliates Purpose	To ensure widespread implementation of the training to assist teachers, administrators and the District to internalize the protocol and deepen engagement around creating racially equitable classrooms, schools, and communities
Affiliates Assignments	 Affiliates have facilitated several professional training sessions in the district Affiliates have facilitated for workshops such as: Broad Residents Courageous Conversations Summit in Houston, TX Elevating and Celebrating Effective Teaching and Teachers (ECET2) in Phoenix, AR sponsored by Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation Affiliates from PD department have designed comprehensive program of studies for Career Ladder Teachers (grounded in Equity Framework) Affiliates will provide training for identified High Schools in August 2013



2. Enhancing Curriculum Relevance and Fidelity

Aligning Curriculum to Common Core State Standards	Culturally Responsive Curriculum
Revise curriculum to align with Common Core Standards that incorporates culturally responsive curriculum and instructional practices	CRAE arts teachers and artists to share instructional best practices with Curriculum supervisors and curriculum writers in a day long retreat TBD
Increase novels and other curriculum materials that depict positive minority protagonists and role models. (ex. 8 th grade novel- the Forge)	Provide curriculum that helps to address the achievement disparity
Curriculum Supervisors and Curriculum writers Culturally responsive pedagogy professional learning February 15 th and TBD by Dr. Theresa Perry	General requirement in all curriculum in all content areas is that culturally responsive curriculum be embedded and identifiable to teachers in the curriculum



3. Addressing Culture

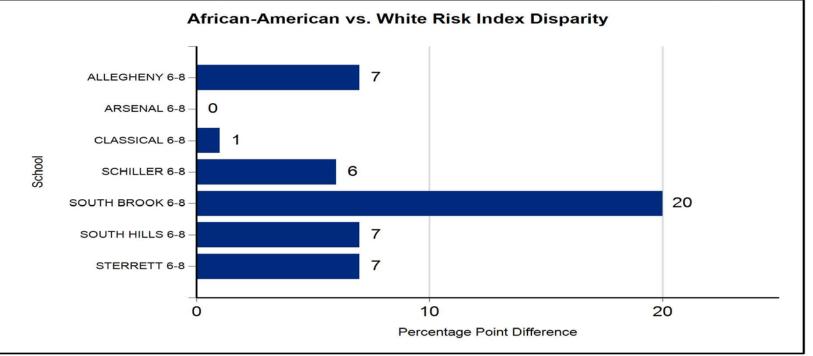
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Equity Training	 Dr. Linda Lane, Superintendent of Pittsburgh Public Schools, attended The Superintendent's National Collaborative for Educational Equity and Excellence in San Francisco, CA on December 12-14, 2012 During the E3 Collaborative, Superintendents from across the nation work to establish a level of commonality among cohort members around equity language and desired outcomes. They examine the essential elements of strong district equity infrastructure and leadership, discuss ways to create a culture of organizational learning and accountability, and identify tools and strategies to accelerate results on all levels E3 Collaborative Institute and Summit will be held in Pittsburgh, PA on September 25-27, 2013
Monthly School Level Suspension Reports	 Beginning in 2012-2013, monthly school level suspension reports are available for review by Principals and District Leadership School data are compared to other schools within the same configuration These reports identify schools with high percentages of suspensions or disparities among student groups so that school can review their data and central office support can be provided on a timely basis



1-3 Day Suspension and Disparity

Enrollment Date:12/03/2012, Suspension Range: 11/1/2012-11/30/2012

	AA Enrolled	AA Suspended	AA Risk Index	W Enrolled	W Suspended	W Risk Index	Disparity*
6-8 Schools	1220	135	11%	929	49	5%	6%
ALLEGHENY 6-8	209	25	12%	76	4	5%	7%
ARSENAL 6-8	150	15	10%	20	2	10%	0%
CLASSICAL 6-8	142	1	1%	149	0	0%	1%
SCHILLER 6-8	155	12	8%	49	1	2%	6%
SOUTH BROOK 6-8	82	21	26%	330	19	6%	20%
SOUTH HILLS 6-8	204	35	17%	221	21	10%	7%
STERRETT 6-8	278	26	9%	84	2	2%	7%



^{*}Schools with fewer than 20 African American or White students enrolled: The overall risk index for all of the schools with the same grade configuration is used to calculate the disparity.



2012-13 year-to-date suspension data show a decrease in the number of suspension incidents *and* the number of students receiving suspensions, compared to the same time last year.

Total Unique Incidents Resulting in a 1-10 Day Suspension	8/20/2011- 1/15/2012	8/20/2012- 1/15/2013	Change in # Incidents
All Incidents	5488	3483	-36.5% (-2005)
Involving White Students	892	675	-24.3% (-217)
Involving Black Students	4452	2644	-40.6% (-1808)
Involving Students with IEP	1766	1238	-29.9% (-528)
Total Unique Students Suspended	8/20/2011-	8/20/2012-	Change in #
Total Unique Students Suspended for 1-10 days	8/20/2011- 1/15/2012	8/20/2012- 1/15/2013	Change in # Suspended Students
for 1-10 days	1/15/2012	1/15/2013	Suspended Students
for 1-10 days All Students	1/15/2012 3694	1/15/2013 2623	Suspended Students -28.9% (-1071)



A reduction in student suspensions and disparity for 2012-13 compared to 2011-12 is evident for most school configurations. Increases in suspension rates may signal problems in the learning environment. These schools receive additional support.

Student Suspensions August through December 2011-12 compared to 2012-13

	2011-12			2012-13		
School Configuration	% AA Suspended	% White Suspended	Disparity (AA-W)	% AA Suspended	% White Suspended	Disparity (AA-W)
K-5	9%	2%	7	6%	2%	4
K-8	18%	5%	13	12%	4%	8
6-8	20%	10%	10	23%	11%	12
6-12	22%	3%	19	11%	2%	9
9-12	25%	10%	15	18%	6 %	12



4. Improving Support to Schools

	Description		
Superintendent Cabinet	1 st day of school		
	Superintendent Cabinet supported each school		
Advisory Group	Lead Principals are engaged in meetings with Superintendent		
	• October 9, 2012		
	• November 27, 2012		
High Risk Schools	Meetings held with the Superintendent and school leadership		
	with the greatest concerns		
	• December 17 and 21, 2012		
Peer-to-peer support and cluster	Vertical K-12 Teams		
grouping	Monthly meetings		
	Horizontal Grade-Specific Teams		
	Monthly meetings		



5. Engaging Families and Community

FACE Coordinators	Training		
Responsibilities	Monthly Log		
	Submitted each month		
	School and Family Engagement Assessment Checklist		
	Pre and Post school year		
Professional Development	Book Study		
	Beyond the Bake Sale		
	101 Ways for REAL Parent Engagement		
	Outreach to African American Families		
	 March 2013 – Two Focus Groups with African- 		
	American families led by Celeta Hickman		
	 April 2013 – Professional Development Sessions 		
	facilitated by Celeta Hickman		
	May 2013 – Two Day Courageous Conversation Training		
	facilitated by PPS Affiliates		



Effective Teachers

Families and Communities



Curriculum Relevance



Support to Schools

Addressing Culture