GATESVILLE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT PLAN

2020- 2021 PLANNING CYCLE



LEARNERS TODAY
LEADERS TOMORROW

Dr. Shawn Wilson, Principal

School Improvement Team 2020-2021

Dr. Shawn Wilson-Principal
Helen Smith-Pre-K
Leslie Keith-Kindergarten
Hannah Szymanik-First Grade
Tammy Evans- Second Grade
Lori Lolies-Third Grade/Instructional Coach/Co-Chair
Chris Stiles-Fourth Grade
Staley-Marie Pierce-Fifth Grade
Heather Matthews-Media Specialist/Co-Chair
Amanda Dillard-Exceptional Children
Aretha Ruffin-School Counselor
Dimensia Hall-Parent Representative

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State Board of Education Goals

Goal 1: Every student in the NC Public Schools System graduates from high school prepared for work, further education and citizenship.

Goal 2: Every student has a personalized education.

Goal 3: Every student, every day has excellent educators.

Goal 4: Every school district has up-to-date financial, business, and technology systems to serve its students, parents and educators.

Goal 5: Every student is healthy, safe and responsible.

Gates County Schools Mission and Vision Statement

Vision

Gates County Public Schools is committed to:

Growth

Academics

Teaching

Excelling all students

Safe learning environment

Mission:

Gates County Public Schools will provide each student personalized educational opportunities through collaboration among students, teachers, parents and community.

Gatesville Elementary School

Vision: Learners Today Leaders Tomorrow

Mission: In partnership with parents, Gatesville Elementary School is committed to educating, nurturing, and empowering students to become successful members of the 21st century.

"Dragon Strong"

GES Benchmarks/Check-Ins/EOG Scores 2019-20

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Grade	Check-In 1	Check-In 2	Check-In 3	Average	EOG
3rd Reading			School		N/A
(Benchmark)	58.7	65	Closure	61.9	
3rd Math			School Closure		N/A
	59.2	70.7	Closure	65	
4th			School Closure		N/A
Reading	59.5	64.1	Closure	61.8	
4th Math			School Closure		N/A
	60.2	66.4	Closure	63.3	
5th			School Closure		N/A
Reading	64.1	65	Closure	64.6	
5th			School		N/A
Math	52.8	50.1	Closure	51.5	
5th			School		N/A
Science	51.9	61	Closure	56.5	
(Benchmark)					

GES Benchmarks/Check-Ins/EOG Scores 2019-20

Student achievement increased from Benchmark 1 to Benchmark 2/Check-In 1 to Check-In 2 for all grade levels and subjects except 5th Grade. The decrease was minimal; however, we analyzed the data in a PLC. We discussed interventions to increase student achievements. We also took into consideration the concepts tested were different. See the strategies included in our plan.

GES Benchmarks/Check-Ins/EOG Scores 2018-19

Grade	Check-In 1	Check-In 2	Check-In 3	Average	EOG
3rd Reading	62.5 (BOG)	66.4	64.8	65	65.8
(Benchmark)					
3rd Math	52	76	62.5	64	95
4th	63	60.7	65.3	63	51.1
Reading					
4th Math	52	64	47.2	54	38.3
4th	66	54.4	70	63	65.6
Science					
(Benchmark)					
5th	68	68	77	71	73.9
Reading					
5th	58.3	66	50.7	58	63.0
Math					
5th	82	89.1	73	81	82.6
Science					
(Benchmark)					

Comparison of GES Benchmarks/Check-Ins (2018-2019 and 2019-2020)

Grade	Check-In 1	Check-In 1	Check-In 2	Check-In 2
	2018-19	2019-20	2018-19	2019-20
3rd Reading	62.5 (BOG)	65	66.4	61.9
(Benchmark)				
3rd Math	52	70.7	76	65
4th	63	64.1	60.7	61.8
Reading				
4th Math	52	66.4	64	63.3
5th	68	65	68	64.6
Reading				
5th	58.3	50.1	66	51.5
Math				

Comparison of

GES Benchmarks/Check-Ins (2018-2019 and 2019-2020)

The student achievement pattern appears to be erratic. There are increases and decreases. It is difficult to compare the progress as different standards are assessed in each Check-In; however, the teachers will continue to use the item analysis to inform instruction.

End of Grade Tests: Although students did not take an End of Grade Test due to school closure due to COVID-19, schools kept the same School Grade from the previous year.

Overall: Grade "B"

We will continue to work on raising proficiency for all grade levels/all subjects; however, 4th grade math will be an area of focus.

Reading (EOG)

	2016-17	2017-18	2018-19
3rd	52.5	41.5	65.8
4th	58.1	63.6	51.1
5th	65.7	72.9	73.9

Growth Pattern for Reading 2017-18 to 2018-19:

41.5 to 51.1 (blue)

63.6 to 73.9 (yellow)

Math (EOG)

	2016- 2017	2017-18	2018-19
3rd	87.5	80.49	95.0
4th	55.8	52.27	38.3
5th	48.6	59.57	63.0

Growth Pattern for Math 2017-18 to 2018-19:

80.49 to 38.3 (blue)

52.27 to 63 (yellow)

Science (EOG)

	2016-2017	2017-18	2018-19
5th	74.3	78.72	82.6

Strategies to Implement or Continue

Some of the strategies will depend on whether students return to face instruction; however, we plan to implement as much as possible.

We will use the following strategies/resources to minimize the gap among subgroups and to raise achievement:

Dragon Fire Intervention Time to individualize instruction, iReady, Learning stations, Leveled readers, Daily Five, Schoolnet assessments (use data to drive instruction), NC Check-Ins (if used this year), Formative and summative assessments, Data sheets to track progress, Interventions suggested by the Child Study/MTSS Team, Letterland, Wonders, Ready Math, Strategies learned from professional development, UNC Science Center/Morehead Planetarium as a resource (when we return face to face), Role models to encourage all students (included because of the difference in achievement between males and females in the past), Mentors assigned to students with academic and/or behavior challenges, Partner with 4-H, Collaboration with Exceptional teachers as resources, Technology to enhance instruction, Specialty teachers to integrate subjects (Dance, Art, PE, Music, and Library), Small 1:1 Groups to review concepts already taught

Comprehensive Plan Created in NC Star

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Note: Implementation Status- We have included January Dates as targets because our staff chose to extend our goals. We feel some of the goals could be achieved better when students return face-to-face; however, we have goals we will still work on (remotely) from the previous year.

GES Goals (Continued from the previous school year)

Gatesville Elementary Staff will:

- Decrease office and bus referrals by 20% (If students continue to attend school remotely, we will focus on decreasing repeated misbehaviors during virtual learning.)
- Meet or exceed growth for all subgroups (Meets Growth-70.0-84.9; Exceeds Growth- 85.0-100.0)
- Increase proficiency in Reading and Math (The following is a target from the previous year: 3rd Grade Reading, 3rd Grade Math, and 5th Grade Reading- 5 percentage points; expecting larger gains in 4th Grade Reading, 4th Grade Math, and 5th Grade Math- 10 percentage points); Although we do not have End of Grade Test results for the 2019-20 School Year, we will examine alternative assessments;

Matching Dimensions and Indicators from NC Star (IndiStar)

Dimension: Instructional Excellence and Alignment

• Indicator A1.07- All teachers employ effective classroom management and reinforce classroom rules and procedures. (High expectations for all staff and students); Indicator A4.06- All teachers are attentive to students' emotional states, guide students in managing their emotions, and arrange for supports and interventions when necessary. (Student support services)

Dimension: Leadership Capacity

Indicator B1.03- Leadership Team consisting of the principal, teachers who lead the Instructional Teams, and
other professional staff meets regularly (at least twice a month) to review implementation of effective
practices. (Strategic planning, mission, and vision); Indicator B3.03- The principal monitors curriculum and

classroom instruction regularly and provides timely, clear, constructive feedback to teachers. (monitoring instruction in school)

Dimension: Professional Capacity

• Indicator C2.01- The LEA/School looks at school performance data and aggregated classroom observation data and uses that data to make decisions about school improvement and professional development needs. (Quality of professional development)

Dimension: Families and Community

• Indicator E1.06- The School regularly communicates with parents/guardians about its expectations of the curriculum of the home (what parents can do at home to support their children's learning). **(Family engagement)**

Gatesville Elementary

Comprehensive Progress Report

Mission:

In partnership with parents, Gatesville Elementary School is committed to educating, nurturing, and empowering students to become successful members of the 21st Century.

Vision:

Learners today leaders tomorrow.

Goals:

Every students will be respectful, orderly, accountable, and responsible.

Every subgroup will meet or exceed growth in reading, math, and science.

All students will increase proficiency in reading and math.



! = Past Due Objectives	KEY = Key Indicator
Core Function:	Dimension A - Instructional Excellence and Alignment
Effective Practice:	High expectations for all staff and students

KEY	A1.07	ALL teachers employ effective classroom management and reinforce	Implementation			
		classroom rules and procedures by positively teaching them.(5088)	Status	Assigned To	Target Date	

nitial Assessment:	Decrease bus and office referrals	Limited Development 09/16/2019		
	 Student bus compacts Mini student assemblies on Monday, September 23, 2019 Additional staff interventions when students are upset Character Education Pyramid Model - PreK Mrs. Ruffin's guidance classes (expectations for bus, classroom, car riders, recess, cafeteria) Mentor/Mentee relationships between staff and students Character of the Month - Honesty Mrs. Matthews's Couch (voluntary space for students to get their thoughts together, calm down, or reflect upon their behavior) CMS teachers were given copies of 504s for grades 2 through 5 so they can provide behavior/academic accommodations in their classes Repeating/discussing rules/procedures on the PBIS Behavior Matrix Behavior is being addressed immediately as it arises to provide consistency Class Dojo (communication) Behavior notebooks (student specific) Behavior expectations Revamped PBIS Team (targeted goals each month, data analysis, consistency) Social Studies instruction - building classroom communities Kelso's Choices 			
How it will look when fully met:	When this objective is fully met, we will have an increase in positive behavior throughout our school. Students will use techniques for conflict resolution such as Kelso's Choices (showing self-control and making positive choices). The resources that will be used include Kelso's Choices, PBIS Behavior Matrix, Guidance Counselor, Class Dojo,		Aretha Ruffin	01/06/2021
	 Mentors, and all staff. PBIS Data Decrease in office and bus referrals by 20% Class Meeting Logs Guidance Classes 	1 of 4 (25%)		
Actions		1 01 4 (25%)	Stalou maria Diarea	01/06/2021
9/1	6/19 Each teacher will conduct classroom meetings at least once a week to discuss rules, procedures, positive behavior, PBIS Behavior Matrix, etc.		Staley-marie Pierce	01/06/2021

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9/16/19 Our principal and guidance counselor will conduct mini assemblies for each grade level as needed throughout the school year.		Staley-marie Pierce	01/06/2021
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9/16/19 The students in our school will participate in character education activities such as the Pyramid Model (PreK), Character Trait of the Month, and Student of the Month.		Aretha Ruffin	01/06/2021
Notes:			
9/16/19 All students who ride the bus and their parents will be given bus compacts outlining appropriate behavior and expectations during bus rides.	Complete 10/01/2019	Staley-marie Pierce	01/06/2021
Notes: Teachers will discuss proper bus behavior during class meetings.			

Core Function:		Dimension A - Instructional Excellence and Alignment			
ffective Practice:		Curriculum and instructional alignment			
KEY A2		Instructional Teams develop standards-aligned units of instruction for each subject and grade level.(5094)	Implementation Status	Assigned To	Target Date
nitial Assessment:	:	 District-wide pacing guides Weekly lesson plans Monthly grade level/subject area PLC meetings 	Limited Development 10/30/2019		
How it will look when fully met:		 Each subject and grade level will have standards aligned units of instruction. Evidences include walkthrough observations, formal evaluations, lesson plan checks, and pacing guide submissions. 	Objective Met 07/29/20	Dr. Shawn Wilson	01/06/2021
Actions					
		reachers will have weekly ressen plane treas.	Complete 09/09/2019	Dr. Shawn Wilson	01/06/2021
	Notes: 10/30/19		Complete 09/23/2019	Lori Lolies	01/06/2021
	Notes: 10/30/19	Walkthrough observations	Complete 09/27/2019	Lori Lolies	01/06/2021
	Notes:	Formal teacher evaluations	Complete 12/06/2019	Dr. Shawn Wilson	01/06/2021

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Core Function:	Dimension A - Instructional Excellence and Alignment			
Effective Practice:	Student support services			
KEY A4.03	The school implements a tiered instructional system that allows teachers to deliver evidence-based instruction aligned with the individual needs of students across all tiers.(5117)	Implementation Status	Assigned To	Target Date
Initial Assessment:	 Child Study Team MTSS Whole and Small Group Instruction 	Limited Development 11/25/2019		
How it will look when fully met:	 Students are receiving quality whole group instruction. Interventions are being implemented for at-risk students. Additional support is provided by tutors during or after school. 		Kendal Owens	01/06/2021
Actions		0 of 1 (0%)		
	/25/19 Creation of evidence-based instructional resources		Kendal Owens	01/06/2021
	Notes:			

KEY A		ALL teachers are attentive to students' emotional states, guide students in managing their emotions, and arrange for supports and interventions when necessary.(5124)	Implementation Status	Assigned To	Target Date
initial Assessment		The PBIS Team plans PBIS Celebrations for students recognizing positive behavior. The PBIS Team presented strategies to increase positive behavior. Teachers rely on the school counselor, Exceptional Children's teachers, and the principal for support and interventions. Currently, we have support from behavior specialists to help manage extreme student behaviors. The administrators sat in on a presentation by a representative from the Sanford Harmony Company. An outside counseling agency comes in once a week to have sessions with specific students. She has given additional strategies to try in the classroom. We have selected a group of students to participate in the Genesis (Mentoring) Program. Our at-risk students have been assigned to staff mentors to help increase positive behavior and to help foster positive relationships.	Limited Development 11/18/2019		
How it will look when fully met:		All teachers will use a portion of the program outlined by the Sanford Harmony Company. We will use this in hopes to increase positive behavior. We want to decrease negative behavior in two specific areas: aggressive behavior and disrespect. We will use office and bus referral data to assess if the program is working. Additionally, our school counselor will use the lessons in her guidance teaching sessions. We will continue to use other effective strategies to help students manage their emotions and find ways to resolve conflicts peacefully. The PE teacher will attempt to implement mindfulness during some of the PE sessions (at the beginning and/or ending of the period).		Dillard Amanda	01/06/2021
Actions			2 of 4 (50%)		
		Use Sanford Harmony Program to help students manage emotions and increase positive behavior. An order will be given to Mrs. Jordan (EC Director) by November 30th		Dillard Amanda	01/06/2021
	11/18/19	for Sanford Harmony materials. Have teacher mentors meet with student mentees daily , and turn in check-in/out logs each month.		Aretha Ruffin	01/06/2021
	Notes:			1 200 som: Aut w 4	na lon lanca
	11/18/19	The PE teacher will incorporate mindfulness in some of the PE lessons for students. The target will be once or twice a month.	Complete 02/06/2020	Dillard Amanda	01/06/2021
	Notes:				

		Each homeroom teacher will use at least one of the strategies suggested by the PBIS Team at least once a week.	Complete 02/06/2020	Yolanda Dillard	01/06/2021
	Notes:	Resource: PBIS World			
KEY		The school develops and implements consistent, intentional, and ongoing plans to support student transitions for grade-to-grade and level-to-level.(5134)	Implementation Status	Assigned To	Target Date
nitial Assessn		Our fifth grade students visit the middle school toward the end of the year. Our Pre-K teachers have the kindergarten teachers to visit their classes to meet students.	Limited Development 11/18/2019		
How it will loo when fully me		Students and parents will know the academic expectations for the next grade level.		Helen Smith	01/06/2021
Actions			0 of 2 (0%)		
	11/18/19	Teachers will create brochures/document for each grade level that will be distributed to students and parents to indicate what students should know when they enter a particular grade level, what is expected of them in the current grade level, and what is expected in the next grade level.		Lori Lolies	01/06/2021
	Notes:	This will be distributed at the beginning of the school year (next year 2020-21).			
	11/18/19	We will set up a day for students to visit the classrooms of the teachers of the next grade level.		Heather Matthews	01/06/2021
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Effective Pra	ctice:	Strategic planning, mission, and vision			
KEY	B1.01	The LEA has an LEA Support & Improvement Team.(5135)	Implementation Status	Assigned To	Target Date
Initial Assess	ment:	 SIT agendas SIT minutes Record of SIT members Updates to the School Board 	Full Implementation 09/23/2019		

KEY B1.03	A Leadership Team consisting of the principal, teachers who lead the Instructional Teams, and other professional staff meets regularly (at least twice a month) to review implementation of effective practices. (5137)	Implementation Status	Assigned To	Target Date
nitial Assessment:	 Monthly Data PLC meetings Monthly SIT meetings Monthly school and district MTSS meetings Monthly school and district grade level PLC meetings Monthly staff meeting presentations Staff presentations on PD days 	Limited Development 09/23/2019		
How it will look when fully met:	Our school and district teams will work together to close the achievement gaps between grade levels and subgroups, increase student proficiency and growth, and review effective instructional strategies.		Lori Lolies	01/06/2021
		0 of 3 (0%)		
Actions				

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9/23/19 Monthly PLC meetings

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9/23/19 Mini-PD during staff meetings

Lori Lolies 01/06/2021

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Core Function	1:-	Dimension B - Leadership Capacity	To the state of th		
ffective Prac	ctice:	Distributed leadership and collaboration			
KEY	B2.03	The school has established a team structure among teachers with specific duties and time for instructional planning.(5143)	Implementation Status	Assigned To	Target Date
nitial Assess	ment:	 Grade level teams have planning at the same time School Improvement Team, PBIS team, Child Study, MTSS, Hospitality, Safety Team PLC/Data monthly meetings 	Limited Development 11/25/2019		
How it will lo when fully m		All staff are involved in meetings that improve the overall needs of our school and students.		Dr. Shawn Wilson	01/06/2021
Actions			0 of 1 (0%)		
Actions	11/25	/19 Vertical planning monthly to address gaps in curriculum		Dr. Shawn Wilson	01/06/2021

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Core Function	n:	Dimension B - Leadership Capacity		- Termeros - John Gran	- Y-1
Effective Pra	ctice:	Monitoring instruction in school			
KEY	B3.03	The principal monitors curriculum and classroom instruction regularly and provides timely, clear, constructive feedback to teachers.(5149)	Implementation Status	Assigned To	Target Date
Initial Assess	ment:	The principal conducts walk throughs and formal observations. The Instructional Coach conducts Eleot observations and walk-throughs. Constructive feedback is given via e-mail or on a form.	Full Implementation 11/18/2019		

ore Function:	Dimension C - Professional Capacity			routed the second
ffective Practice:	Quality of professional development			
KEY C2.01	The LEA/School regularly looks at school performance data and aggregated classroom observation data and uses that data to make decisions about school improvement and professional development needs.(5159)	Implementation Status	Assigned To	Target Date
itial Assessment:	 Teachers maintain data notebooks that include STAR data, Benchmark data, EOG data, Discipline/PBIS data, iReady data, iStation data, etc. Teachers meet with the Principal monthly to analyze this data and develop plans for addressing student needs. The Principal and Instructional Support Coach meet bi-weekly to analyze classroom walkthrough data and look at ELEOT observation results. Teachers meet with their grade level teams across the district to analyze student performance on assessments such as Benchmarks, NC Check-Ins, STAR Reading, STAR Math, iStation, iReady, etc. 	Limited Development 10/30/2019		
How it will look when fully met:	 Teachers will use formative assessment data to inform their instructional practices and increase the academic success of their students. Teachers will engage in professional development opportunities to learn more about how to analyze iStation data and iReady data. MOY (Middle of the Year) data will be used to develop interventions and strategies to meet the needs of students who are not proficient in reading and/or math. Monthly vertical planning meetings will be used to determine gaps in instruction based upon school data trends. Professional development will be provided during staff meetings and built-in PD days to help teachers analyze school performance data. 		Hannah Szymanik	01/06/2021
Actions		2 of 3 (67%)	1. 6	01/06/2021
1	0/30/19 Professional development on iStation and iReady math to learn how analyze this new data.		Hannah Szymanik	01/06/2021
1	Notes: 0/30/19 Monthly Grade Level Data PLC Meetings Notes:	Complete 03/06/2020	Hannah Szymanik	01/06/202

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ore Function:		Dimension C - Professional Capacity		Alternative and a second a second and a second a second and a second a second and a second and a second and a	
ffective Practi	ice:	Talent recruitment and retention			
KEY	C3.04	The LEA/School has established a system of procedures and protocols for recruiting, evaluating, rewarding, and replacing staff.(5168)	Implementation Status	Assigned To	Target Date
Initial Assessm	ent:	The district Human Resources Staff posts all vacant jobs on the website. This information is sent to district staff as well. Our district uses Teacher Match as the on-line application system for hiring. Some of the administrators and staff have attended Job Fairs to recruit and hire for the district. The Human Resources Director has reached out to nearby universities/colleges to secure applicants. When there is a vacancy, a requisition is filled out to replace staff. Teachers and administrators are evaluated in NCEES (Unified Talent). Staff members are rewarded at their respective schools. Our district recognizes a Teacher of the Year, Support Staff of the Year, and Principal of the Year. Exceptional Children's Staff members are highlighted by the Exceptional Children's Director.	Full Implementation 11/18/2019		

ore Function:	Dimension E - Families and Community			all states a security and
ffective Practice:	Family Engagement			
KEY E1.06	The school regularly communicates with parents/guardians about its expectations of them and the importance of the curriculum of the home (what parents can do at home to support their children's learning).(5182)	Implementation Status	Assigned To	Target Date
nitial Assessment:	 Open House - Face-to-face meeting with parents/guardians at the beginning of the school year. Ready Lesson Family Letters - Informs parents/guardians of the concepts and skills that students are learning in math iReady Parent Reports - Gives current reading and math levels and ways in which families can support their students at home Pre-K Progress Reports - Current student levels and upcoming curriculum plans Parent-Teacher Conferences - Planned throughout the school year to discuss academic and behavioral performance Read to Achieve Parent Night Title I Family Night 	Limited Development 10/21/2019	Kendal Owens	01/06/2021
How it will look when fully met:	 Parent-Teacher Conferences for students who are not on grade-level Home & School Connection publication Family Letters Grade Level Newsletters Reading and Math Family Night 		Kendal Owells	01/00/2022
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Actions 11/25	5/19 Home & School Connection Publication		Heather Matthews	01/06/2021
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11/2	5/19 Send Ready Family Letters at the beginning of each new math unit		20,, 20,,00	
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