Middle School Improvement Plan 2016-17

Goal: In order to decrease discipline referrals and to increase attendance we will create a positive school environment where students feel safe, cared for, engaged, and challenged to think, create and perform by implementing Engaging Schools strategies.

Action Steps	Resources	Who is Responsible	Timeframe	Evidence
School wide training with Engaging Schools	Title IIA funds	Building Administration	Full days August 31 October 7th *March 17th Half days *February 8th *May 10th *TBD dates	Training documents
Develop classroom strategies for engaging students which will reduce problem behavior	time	Teacher Leadership	During PD (above) CPT 2x per month Hourbacks each month	Classroom vision statements Written curriculum Protocol for defusing and de-escalating problem behavior
Monitor office referrals for reduction from prior year	time	Building Administration	monthly	reports
Monitor classroom climate from improvement	time	Building Administration teachers	Once per trimester	Teacher-parent communication log

Goal: Improve the ability of Middle School students and teachers to utilize technology to communicate effectively

Action Steps	Resources	Who is Responsible	Timeframe	Evidence
Train students to use Google email, docs, calendar, Twitter, Remind, Slides and other tools	Time Help from District Technology Staff Tech Literacy Plan	Building Administrators Library Media Specialist	August-June	Instruction Schedule, Sample Lesson Plans, Student use of Google tools. Notes in walkthroughs and sharing of best practices during faculty, grade level and department meetings and common planning time
Administer feedback surveys for parents at least twice annually about the effectiveness of the communication mechanisms used.	Google Forms	Assistant Principal	December-January April - May	Survey Results

Goal: Develop and expand our exploratory courses enrichment opportunities for students

Action Steps	Resources	Who is Responsible	Timeframe	Evidence
Improve STEM programming for all students	Time	Building Administrators	-PLTW training July 24-29 -write curriculum map July-August -monitor implementation of PLTW curriculum mid and end of each trimester	-Students schedules -curriculum map
Develop library programming	Time	Librarian	Sept.-June	-Classes scheduled In -Open House Presentation -Increase number of books checked out Library curriculum
Increase our music offerings to build our program	Scheduling	Building Administrators Music teacher	Sept.-June	-Increased number of hours for band and chorus -Develop a jazz band -Increase the number of students in band or chorus. -Increase Performances