

**PEEBLES ELEMENTARY -- BUILDING PROGRESS TOWARD SCHOOL
IMPROVEMENT/C.I.P./S.I.T. PLANS –OCTOBER 2005**

- Our After School Math Tutoring Program for 3rd, 4th, 5th and 6th grade students began on October 17th in our 2 computer labs. This program will continue until November 17th. The program was developed in response to our **not** making AYP (Adequate Yearly Progress) with our economically disadvantaged students in Math. The tutoring will be held from 3:15-3:45PM each day (Monday-Thursday). At the present time, we have 38 of the 127 eligible students signed up to take advantage of this program. This is a significant number that should make quite a difference! Connie Mercer will be doing the 3rd and 4th grade in the downstairs lab. Pam Wallingford will be doing the 5th and 6th grade in the upstairs lab. We will be using the Cornerstone Math program which provided excellent results 2 years ago. This program will track students from pre to post tests, all the lessons they take in between, and graph results of growth gained. In addition, student progress will be monitored by Mr. Walls, and students will be given assignments individually, based on their current need. Parents will be given a report at the end of the program. In addition, Our Math tutors, Mr. Neil Winn and Ms. Kara Swayne have been given targeted student information and will be receiving training in the Cornerstone Math program.
- In Reading, we have targeted and identified our 3rd, 4th, 5th, and 6th grade students . Our reading tutors, Mrs. Lois Pertuset and Mrs. Opal Shoemaker have met with the principals and teachers to work with these targeted students. The teachers know that these students are at-risk and are utilizing the tutors to help with instruction. In addition, Lynda Henley has trained and has all OhioReads volunteers targeting Reading through this program (K-4). We are continuing the Reading Recovery program at 1st grade, and Mrs. Henley is working with Intervention groups at grade 2.
- Grade level meetings this month have focused on sharing information about the new State achievement practice tests, sharing class lists of targeted students for AYP and discussing how we are going to target those students, along with various other topics.
- We will hold our annual Title I meeting on November 3rd. We will be discussing the various aspects of the program and review our School Compact with teachers, students and parents...then adopt the compact which outlines each person's responsibilities in making the child successful in school.
- Finalized procedures for arrival and dismissal plan at PES to address safety issues and timely dismissal. The procedure was put in writing and distributed to staff, parents and students.
- The PTO held our Fall Book Fair, approved the purchase of \$18,000 in new playground equipment, and conducted other monthly business.
- The third grade gave the State Reading Achievement test on October 4th. We will be reviewing the results and planning for additional intervention when those results return.
- Teachers have received various trainings on the new Progress Book from Marketta Lawhorn and Eddie Butcher.
- Several members of our staff continue to work on Short-cycle assessments and CGI training with Mrs. Dee Ann Davis.
- Parent/Teacher Conferences will be held on November 3rd from 4:00-7:00PM.
- In addition to these reports, various and new staff members have been trained this month in the use of Accelerated Reader/STAR, Alpha Smart training, and Cornerstone Math.

Note: Additional information regarding PES's other significant improvements/activities, , can be accessed by going to our school web page at: www.ohiovalley.k12.oh.us/pes and clicking on the monthly report icon.