

Peebles Elementary School

BUILDING PROGRESS TOWARD SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT

OCTOBER 2006

- Mrs. Henley is conducting professional development concerning literacy issues after school (reading process, running records, assessments, etc). The following teachers are participating: Jennifer Griffis, Monica Pence, Jason Jandes, Ben King, Dayne Michael, & Loy Coomer.
- Mr. Bennington and Mrs. Linda Scott are having weekly grade level meetings with 3rd and 4th grade teachers. Mrs. Scott has been training 3rd and 4th grade teachers with a model called “Soar to Success.” This model includes Reciprocal Reading—which covers the 4 areas of prediction, questioning, clarifying and summarizing. Students also keep Reading logs, a list of high frequency words, and a journal...to name a few things. Mrs. Scott has modeled lessons for these teachers and holds debriefing meetings with them after the lessons.
- Grade level and staff meetings at all grade levels have focused on analyzing the data we have collected through item analysis to identify areas of strength and weakness, along with possible gaps in instruction.
- Our School Improvement Team will be meeting to work on updating action plans in Mathematics, Reading, and Parent Involvement.
- Janice Day continues to arrange for and provide training to all teachers in Differentiated Instruction. Study guides are provided at each session along with various topics. These sessions and the training were concluded by some groups already, and will be completed by all groups by the end of October.
- Some members of the Peebles Elementary SIT Team attended the second training of OISM (Ohio Integrated Systems Model) at North Adams High School on October 16th. This training is based upon a tiered approach to leveled intervention for both reading and behavioral supports. Since the first training, PES has partially implemented the SWIS (SchoolWide Information System) model for disciplinary write-ups which will help to gather and analyze data on behavior problems, so that appropriate planning can be made. The program will be fully implemented when Hopewell comes for training in November. The team is currently working on action plans that will include an upgrade in the action plans we are doing in reading, as well as a PBIS (Positive Behavior Information Survey) survey, and new schoolwide behavior plan for the 2007-2008 school year. The members attending this training include Jessica Wilkinson, Martha Garry, Monica Pence, Loy Coomer, and Jim Walls.
- Mr. Bennington will be attending SIRI training for administrators on November 9th. Mr. Walls will attend this session as well on October 27th. In addition, Mr. Bennington will attend the Leadership Project training at Piketon on October 24th and D3A2 (Data Driven Decisions for Academic Achievement) training on the 31st.
- K-6 walkthroughs were completed and the information shared with staff.
- Mary Baumgartner continues to provide tutoring to targeted students in 6th grade math. Class lists have been set up through Cornerstone Math to individualize instruction and data collection in certain areas, along with the use of Study Island and individual tutoring for Math as well. All instructional strategies are being used to hit all the indicators.
- The third grade gave the State Reading Achievement test on October 3rd. We will be reviewing the results and planning for additional intervention when those results return.
- The intervention team continues to plan for changes in instruction, and testing. Along with changes in accommodations, the team...along with 3rd through 6th grade teachers will be given training on November 2nd by Laurel Hamilton. The training on CBM (Curriculum Based Measurement) will focus on oral reading fluency probes and their impact on student achievement.
- The PTO held our Fall Book Fair and will hold a Fall Carnival on November 3rd from 5:00-8:00 PM.
- Attendance for the year at PES is 94.7%-- above the 93% required on the LRC.

Note: Additional information regarding PES principals reports since December 2000 can be accessed by going to our school web page at: www.ohiovalley.k12.oh.us/pes and clicking on the monthly report icon.