## Comprehensive Needs Assessment District Compiled Spring 2023

Information compiled based on building and district needs

Need	Related Strategies	Notes	Updates
Students need <i>balance</i> between math and ELA curricula	Teachers need support to effectively balance curricula	Math ELA	PD has sessions on Math, SEL, ELA and PBIS
(ELEMENTARY FOCUS)	When PD is important, all teachers need it, the "sharing" model does not change teacher behavior  Consistency in materials, PD, instructional strategies		Explicit Training in IM Math, EL, Coaching in Interventions, Gold Standard created by K-4 teachers, Coaching 9-12 on Brainframes and Empower
Students need differentiated instruction targeted to their current and specific needs (elementary priority 2 – differentiation applies to behavioral also) (high school priority 2 – differentiation and interventions in core areas)	Curriculum alignment  Development of core curriculum and Tier 1 interventions  Labeled book bins for equitable access to text; books labeled with text levels; themed books  Brainframe writing  Painted paragraphs – EL Curriculum  Empower, continue to support	Math ELA	Gold Standards K-4 Classroom Library work Caring Schools Community work Brainframes and Empower AVMR math Ready Set Math Questioning strategy EL Coaching C4L coaching
	Content area PLC PD		

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Students at all grades need access to Tier 2 behavioral interventions (elementary priority 3 – applies to tier 2 and tier 3)	MTSS Check-in / Check-out Mentoring partnerships Small group – targeted needs TCI – verbal de-escalation Meaningful work Socio-emotional curriculum & community circles Restorative practices	Math ELA	Teams established all buildings Regular Meetings MTSS director hired, PBIS coordinator hired, Risk Assessment Coordinator hired Small group K-4 goal TCI trainers in district
Student growth needs to accelerate to close gaps between actual performance and target performance	Summer Acceleration Personal curricula Early college Accelerated coursework Academic targeted intervention Project Based Learning Themed Core Curriculum instruction EL	Math ELA	3 years of summer acceleration Early College Promoted in student planning tool Data teams for targets PBL K-5 established EL Core instruction K-6
Students need a guaranteed and viable curriculum	Implementation of core curriculum with efficacy (follow research model) 9 <sup>th</sup> ELA - Odell model Biology – Modeling curriculum	Math ELA	K-6 EL curriculum 7-8 MAISA units 9 Odell Model 10-12 Teacher created K-12 IM Math 3rd Pilot Curriculum Biology

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Struggling students need to be supported more effectively in gen ed core curriculum	Related Strategies  Behavioral training and strategies (CHAMPS, Conscious Discipline, restorative practices, Tiers)  Use resources with efficacy (follow research model)  Improve gen ed support, add academic interventions at secondary, add content coaching in ELA  Increase Tier 1,2 interventions – identified and available, done with fidelity (follow research model)  Find/develop more strategies for difficult/high frequency situations; student consequences  Change staff mindset away from consequence approach  Opportunities for restoration	Notes Academic to reduce likelihood of special ed placement	Increased Counselor and SW staff MTSS teams all buildings TCI CHAMPS Caring Schools Community curriculum Progress Monitoring in Math and ELA Math aligned to AVMR progressions Listed district interventions
	Opportunities for restoration  Safe checkin/checkout person for high needs students  Content area PLC PD  "PBIS Classroom Tools & Strategies" PD  "CHAMPS" PD		

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Students need to <i>relate</i> to content, <i>engage</i> with content, and understand <i>connections</i>	Leverage common writing process and critical thinking	All content areas	PBL trainings 5 years straight
connections	PBL or partnerships between ELA and SS		
	Project Based Learning 5th Grade, HS Science, 9th Grade ELA		
	Empower (additional layers of training), embed Empower in MAISA units		
	Brain Frames		
	Data from Fastbridge used K-12 Data meetings and MTSS meetings		
	Project Based Learning		
	Gold Standard Walk Thru Data analysis K-4		
	Equitable libraries		
	Focus on Essential Literacy Standards		
	"Educator Externship"		
	"Project Based Learning" PD		
	MI-STAR PD		

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Students need differentiated and	Tier 1 interventions – identified and available	Math	MTSS teams all
targeted, specialized core instruction	Tier 2 interventions – identified and available  High Impact Leadership literacy resources	ELA	buildings K-4 interventions through the gold
	righ impact Leadership literacy resources		standards
	Data-driven decisions		
	PD in understanding formative assessment and using it effectively		
	Use data to inform instructional goals		
	Seminar Class at HS		
	Intervention hour option – Student Success Seminar		
	Intervention and structured support during classes and after school - secondary		
	Content area PLC PD		
	"Assessment Literacy Workshop"		

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Students need targeted instruction in	Identify and close gaps identified in FastBridge	Math	IM Math training
<i>math</i> that meets them where they are	benchmark assessments		Ready, Set Math
Intentional focus on black male	AVMR PD for all, sustained support (levels 1, 2)		Math Manipulatives K-8
population	Formative assessment and data to drive small group instruction, differentiated instruction		
Students need a deeper understanding			
of <i>Algebra</i> before moving forward in coursework.	Number talks		
	Open Up/Illustrative Math curriculum, work with		
Students need deeper understanding of	Kristen on path/ curriculum plan *This curriculum schedule is too regimented, lacks		
fractions	adequate skill practice, lacks distributed practice, tight		
	schedule discourages retesting. *Resources with this curriculum are not fully developed		
(high school priority 2 – differentiation	so staff need to work through all the problem sets		
and interventions in core areas)	themselves, and then develop parallel problem sets and assessments.		
	Peer-to-peer observing, sharing, planning, coaching (Kristen)		
	Math coach		
	Increase time in Algebra for students who struggle, including SWD		
	Restructure delivery of math curriculum to encourage development and implementation of interventions		
	Monitor with data		
	Content area PLC PD		
	Fraction PD - Kristen		

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Students need a consistent cross-grade writing process. (high school priority 1 - writing) (MS & RPI priority 2 - writing) SS & English teachers PLC SAT style writing Systems approach to BrainFrames and EmPower	ELA coach, use internal teachers  Formative assessment to drive small group instruction, differentiated instruction  ELA curriculum support (effective implementation, anticipating misconceptions)  Content area PLC PD  MIELA Network PD (June2019/June 2020)  New 3-6 ELA curriculum	ELA	Gold Standards K-4 Classroom Library work Caring Schools Community work Brainframes and Empower AVMR math Ready Set Math Questioning strategy EL Coaching C4L coaching
Struggling students in <i>HS English</i> need interventions that align with core curriculum (high school priority 2 – differentiation and interventions in core areas)	Stari 10 (HS) is inadequate preparation for English 11. Revise program, restructure as supplemental, or other solution is needed  Content area PLC PD	ELA Data	Hired Reading Specialist as Interventionist Coaching 9th grade ELA on engagement strategies Off schedule interventions in Seminar and Middle School
Students need an aligned <b>English</b> curriculum 7-12, that is designed to meet their needs.	English curriculum template for 9-12  Content area PLC PD	ELA  PD is planned for this summer (Dan)	Odell at 9th grade 7-8 MAISA units

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Students need targeted instruction in science that meets them where they are	MI-STAR curriculum and PD, add units and support  Engaging learning experiences that set them up for success  PLC with Sarah Coleman  Content area PLC PD  "Planning 180 Days of Instruction" PD  "Educator Externship" (June 2019/2020/2021/2022)	Science	Biology PLC Modeling Training 100% staff certified in MI-Star modules
Students need targeted and intentional support to be successful in demonstrating desired <i>classroom</i> behaviors.  (high school priority 3 – classroom behavioral interventions and tools)  (MS & RPI priority 3 – Tier 1 behavioral strategies plus PD)  CKH  Purposeful use of resources, supports and interventions	Design School PD  Counseling, social work, skill building for Tier 2, 3 behaviors.  PD for teachers working with these strategies, frequent follow-up  Rocket University  10-minute PDs  Consistently recognize positives and successes	Behavior	Increased Counselor and SW staff MTSS teams all buildings TCI CHAMPS Caring Schools Community curriculum Progress Monitoring in Math and ELA Math aligned to AVMR progressions Listed district interventions

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Students need common behavioral expectations across all locations, including classrooms	Establish and commit to common behavioral expectations across all classrooms  Proactive teaching of common classroom expectations  Staff need to understand importance of Tier 1 as foundation for Tier 2  PBIS flow chart, expectations for whole group and independent time	Behavior	Increased Counselor and SW staff MTSS teams all buildings TCI CHAMPS Caring Schools Community curriculum Progress Monitoring in Math and ELA Math aligned to AVMR progressions Listed district interventions
Students need <i>positive behavioral</i> supports that meet them where they are	Tiered intervention system  Specific strategies are needed for cell phone issues  Need behavioral interventions for struggling students (Tier 2, 3)  Monitor behavior with data  "Healthier Classrooms, Healthy Kids" PD (July 2019)  "Fostering Resilient Learners" PD	Behavior	Increased Counselor and SW staff MTSS teams all buildings TCI CHAMPS Caring Schools Community curriculum Progress Monitoring in Math and ELA Math aligned to AVMR progressions Listed district interventions

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Need  Kindergarten students need to learn how to "do school."	Related Strategies  Second Step curriculum with teacher training  Supplemental behavioral support for Kdg  Rocket University  "Second Step" Curriculum training	Behavior	Increased Counselor and SW staff MTSS teams all buildings TCI CHAMPS Caring Schools Community curriculum Progress Monitoring in Math and ELA Math aligned to AVMR progressions Listed district
			interventions
Students' social/emotional and mental health needs must be met	Support in conducting conversations around behavior data  More discussions around behavioral data  PD in understanding purpose of data collection, implications and application  10-minute PDs  PD in Capturing Kids' Hearts  "Healthier Classrooms, Healthy Kids" PD (July 2019)  "Fostering Resilient Learners" PD  "Youth Mental Health First Aid" PD  "Second Step" Curriculum training	Behavior Brett, Amy Henry	Increased Counselor and SW staff MTSS teams all buildings TCI CHAMPS Caring Schools Community curriculum Progress Monitoring in Math and ELA Math aligned to AVMR progressions Listed district interventions

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Students' <i>sensory and physiological</i> needs must be met	Continue sensory practices, mindfulness, calming room/corner, motor room, "front porch"	Behavior	Increased Counselor and SW staff
	10-minute PDs		MTSS teams all buildings
	Offer opportunities for students to recognize and deal with their stressors (courses in stress management, mindfulness, personal management (how to self-manage distractors)) Courses need to make sense for the students.		TCI CHAMPS Caring Schools Community curriculum Progress Monitoring in
	Teach strategies for handling stressful situations. Teach resilience. Offer yoga, meditation, mindfulness		Math and ELA Math aligned to AVMR progressions Listed district
	"Healthier Classrooms, Healthy Kids" PD (July 2019)		interventions
	"Fostering Resilient Learners" PD		
Students need <i>consistent messages</i> about behavioral expectations	Engage parents, help them understand and support our common behavioral expectations	Behavior	Increased Counselor and SW staff
Students need <i>parents and school</i> to	More Tier 1, 2 behavioral support	Climate & Culture	MTSS teams all buildings
communicate well with each other.	Rocket University	Respect, Pride, Integrity	TCI CHAMPS
(MS & RPI priority 1 – cultural PD with strategies driven by subgroup needs)	FRC meetings with parents to identify needs and offer support		Caring Schools Community curriculum Progress Monitoring in
	Build relationships with parents and agencies to promote early intervention		Math and ELA Math aligned to AVMR
	Continue, enhance focus on schoolwide and district wide messaging		progressions Listed district interventions

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Students at risk need the support of a	Improve child study process	Behavior	Increased Counselor
comprehensive process of review,			and SW staff
analysis, prescription and reflection	MTSS, PBIS initiative – building and district teams,	Data-driven decisions	MTSS teams all
	frequent and consistent updates to all staff		buildings
	Revise discipline policy and student handbooks	SWD subpop	TCI
	(explicitly share expectations with students and		CHAMPS
	families – clear – districtwide)		Caring Schools
	,		Community curriculum
	Find/develop more strategies for difficult/high		Progress Monitoring in
	frequency situations; student consequences		Math and ELA
			Math aligned to AVMR
	Change staff mindset away from consequence		progressions
	approach		Listed district
	PD for PBIS leadership teams		interventions
	Act on Tiered Fidelity Inventory (TFI) action plans		

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Students need adults to understand	Understanding of trauma informed practice and	Behavior	Increased Counselor
them through a <i>trauma informed</i> lens	building a responsive culture, continue learning		and SW staff
and meet them where they are	Continue partnership with mental health professionals for highest need students	Climate & Culture	MTSS teams all buildings TCI
Students need an <i>educational setting</i> that recognizes their individuality, traumatic history and dislike for formal schooling.	Revise discipline policy and student handbooks (explicitly share expectations with students and families – clear – districtwide)		CHAMPS Caring Schools Community curriculum Progress Monitoring in
	Find/develop more strategies for difficult/high frequency situations; student consequences		Math and ELA Math aligned to AVMR
(MS & RPI priority 1 – cultural PD with strategies driven by subgroup needs)	Change staff mindset away from consequence approach		progressions Listed district interventions
	Support teachers in Capturing Kids' Hearts so it can be as impactful as possible - PD		
	"Cultural Intelligences" PD (June2019/June 2020)		
	"Fostering Resilient Learners" PD		
	"Youth Mental Health" PD		
	"Second Step" Curriculum training		

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Students need to <i>feel safe</i> in school  (MS & RPI priority 1 – cultural PD with	PD and support for teachers dealing with second-hand trauma after classroom events of significance	Behavior Climate & Culture	Increased Counselor and SW staff MTSS teams all
strategies driven by subgroup needs)	PD in Capturing Kids' Hearts  "Compass Room"  "Cultural Intelligences" PD (June2019/June 2020)  "Fostering Resilient Learners" PD		buildings TCI CHAMPS Caring Schools Community curriculum Progress Monitoring in Math and ELA Math aligned to AVMR progressions Listed district interventions
Students need positive and functional relationships with trusted adults	PD in decision tree, using data on majors and minors  PD in Capturing Kids' Hearts  "Cultural Intelligences" PD (June2019/June 2020)	Behavior Climate & Culture	CHAMPS
Students need a calm and inviting learning <i>environment</i> with opportunity for successful transitions into learning activities  (MS & RPI priority 1 – cultural PD with strategies driven by subgroup needs)	Lunch is too short and kids are still wound up when it's time for class. They need the opportunity to decompress, prepare for change, and transition.  Morning gathering is counterproductive. Students need a calm, quiet start to their day. The transition from gym/café to classroom is insufficient to get students ready to learn.  Students prefer small group settings. Appreciate reteaching opportunities.	Student perception data  Climate & Culture	Increased Counselor and SW staff MTSS teams all buildings TCI CHAMPS Caring Schools Community curriculum Progress Monitoring in Math and ELA Math aligned to AVMR progressions Listed district interventions

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Student need to learn in an environment	PD in Capturing Kids' Hearts	Climate & Culture	Increased Counselor
that is <i>free from bias</i>		(Parent perceptions of	and SW staff
	Engage parents in community conversations	students as "monsters")	MTSS teams all
	"Cultural Intelligences" DD (lune 2010 /lune 2020)		buildings
	"Cultural Intelligences" PD (June2019/June 2020)	Behavior	TCI
			CHAMPS
			Caring Schools
			Community curriculum
			Progress Monitoring in
			Math and ELA
			Math aligned to AVMR
			progressions
			Listed district
			interventions
Students need to learn tolerance and	PD in Capturing Kids' Hearts	Behavior	Increased Counselor
acceptance			and SW staff
	"Cultural Intelligences" PD (June2019/June 2020)		MTSS teams all
			buildings
			TCI
			CHAMPS
			Caring Schools
			Community curriculum
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			Math and ELA
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			interventions
	Principal needs access to resources/people		MTSS Teams in every
			building
	Getting to know the "network"		

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Students need to learn from highly qualified teachers on a consistent basis	Improve teacher absenteeism Increase availability of guest teachers New Teacher PD	High Priority for our learning culture  Administrative	Increase daily guest teacher rates Create/Develop more "Premier" positions Share "hard data" with building/district leaders Direct communication with educator preparation institutions Rolling postings for critical shortage positions Direct conversations (i.e. coaching, empathy interviews, evaluations) More "public postings" (i.e. District website, Indeed, etc.)
SWD students need access to tiered interventions	Strengthen instructional supports including gen ed and Tier 1 support	SWD subpopulation ELA Math TSI* focus	Gold Standards K-4 Classroom Library work Caring Schools Community work Brainframes and Empower AVMR math Ready Set Math Questioning strategy EL Coaching C4L coaching

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Training in accoms/mods for gen ed staff	SWD subpopulation	Gold Standards K-4 Classroom Library work
Specialist in accoms/mods	i.e. Gearhart	Caring Schools
		Community work
		Brainframes and
		Empower
		AVMR math
		Ready Set Math
		Questioning strategy
		EL Coaching
		C4L coaching
Strategies needed	TSI* focus	AVMR math
		Ready Set Math
		Questioning strategy
How do we get kids to care about state assessment?	TSI* focus	Prioritized Assessments
Relationship building, Capturing Kids' Hearts PD		
Ensure free/reduced lunch forms are received	ED subpopulation	Increased food being served
Feed them where they socialize		Offering food on breaks
		Partnered with
		churches for food over
		the weekend.
	Specialist in accoms/mods  Strategies needed  How do we get kids to care about state assessment?  Relationship building, Capturing Kids' Hearts PD Ensure free/reduced lunch forms are received	Specialist in accoms/mods  i.e. Gearhart  Strategies needed  TSI* focus  How do we get kids to care about state assessment?  Relationship building, Capturing Kids' Hearts PD  Ensure free/reduced lunch forms are received  ED subpopulation

TSI = Targeted Support and Improvement. The HS has been given this designation for the 2019-2020 school year. All Schools are now designated as Universal Supports for Improvement