



School Comprehensive Education Plan 2023-24

District	School Name	Grades Served
KCSD	EC Myer Elementary	K-4

Collaboratively Developed By:

The Ernest C. Myer Elementary SCEP Development Team (p.12)

And in partnership with the staff, students, and families of Ernest C. Myer Elementary

Guidance for Teams

Template

Any part of the plan can be collapsed or expanded by clicking on the triangle next to the blue headings. You can also move through the sections of the plan by accessing the Navigation Pane in Microsoft Word.

Commitments

Prior to working on this document, school teams should be sure to complete the following activities:

- **Envision:** Explore its vision, values, and aspirations
- **Analyze:** Review and analyze internal and external data, including survey data, and reflect on systems and structures
- **Listen:** Conducting student interviews

Following those activities, school teams should complete the SCEP Planning Document to make connections between the activities above and consider potential next steps to prioritize in the upcoming year as the team considers **“What should we prioritize to support our students and work toward the school we wish to be?”**

The team should identify 2 to 4 Commitments for the 2023-24 school year. For each Commitment, the team will identify strategies that will advance these Commitments and benchmarks to determine if the school is on track with its implementation. **School teams will need to ensure that at least one commitment is aligned to teaching and learning.**

Success Criteria and Benchmark Targets

After school teams identify their Commitments, they should consider success criteria and benchmarks that will help them determine if they are making sufficient progress toward their Commitment throughout the year. Each Commitment will have at least one end-of-the-year goal, a mid-year benchmark, strategies that will allow the school to reach those goals and benchmarks, early progress milestones, and spring survey targets.

The plan template is designed with the intention the school teams will return to their plan throughout the year and make updates when necessary. As part of the Success Criteria for each Commitment, there is a section for the team to update during the year and input the data they ended up seeing next to the target they originally identified. Teams should keep this section blank when writing the plan and anticipate bringing the team back together throughout the upcoming year to gauge the success of the plan.

Strategies

In conjunction with identifying benchmarks, teams should consider strategies that will allow the school to reach these benchmarks and advance that commitment.

Resources for Team

NYSED Improvement Planning website: <http://www.nysed.gov/accountability/improvement-planning>

- [Assembling Your Improvement Planning Team](#)
- [Envision: Exploring Our Vision, Values and Aspirations](#)
- [Analyze: Internal and External Data](#)
- [Analyze: Survey Data](#)
- [Analyze: Tenet 1 Systems and Structures Inventory](#)

Guidance for Teams

- [Listen: Interviewing Students](#)
- [Putting it all Together: SCEP Planning Document](#)
- SCEP Sample: [Cohesive, Relevant Curriculum](#)
- SCEP Sample: [Deepening Connections](#)
- SCEP Sample: [Graduation Through Relationships](#)
- SCEP Sample: [Graduation and Success Beyond HS](#)

COMMITMENT I

Our Commitment

What is one Commitment we will promote for 2023-24?	We commit to deepening connections among students, staff, and the community.
Why are we making this Commitment? <i>Things to potentially take into consideration when crafting this response:</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • How does this Commitment fit into what we envision for the school? • How does this Commitment relate to what we heard when listening to others? • How does this Commitment connect to what we observed through analysis? 	Implementing the activities and enhancements listed below will foster inclusivity and encourage a deeper sense of belonging. Survey-analysis revealed a need for improvement in this area.

Progress Targets

By the end of the year, we will look to the see the following occur:

	What data will we be reviewing?	What do we hope to see when we review that data?	What we ended up seeing (complete at the end of the year)
End-Of-The-Year Goals	PBIS Climate Survey tri-annually	Improvement in staff and student connection as evidenced by the increase in % that Agree/strongly disagree	

We believe these Spring survey responses will give us helpful feedback about our progress with this Commitment:

	Survey Question(s) or Statement(s)	Desired response (e.g., % agree or strongly agree)	What we ended up seeing (complete once Spring survey results are available)
Student Survey			
Staff Survey			
Family Survey			

Commitment 1

We believe achieving the following Mid-Year Benchmark(s) will give us good insight into our ability to reach our year-end goal:

	What data will we be reviewing?	What do we hope to see when we review that data?	What we ended up seeing (complete when reviewing mid-year data)
Mid-Year Benchmark(s)			

We believe we will be on track to meet our Mid-Year Benchmark(s) if six to ten weeks into the school year, we are able to reach the following Early Progress Milestones:

Early Progress Milestones	What data will we be reviewing?	What do we hope to see when we review that data? (Identify Quantitative Data or Qualitative Descriptors in this space)	What we ended up seeing (complete six to ten weeks into the school year)
Student Data			
Adult/Schoolwide Behaviors and Practices			
Student Behaviors and Practices			

Key Strategies and Resources

STRATEGY	METHODS	RESOURCES
What strategies will we pursue as part of this Commitment?	What does this strategy entail? What will implementation look like in our school?	What resources (Schedule, Space, Money, Processes, Individuals) are necessary to support these strategies?
Making Lunch First then Recess (1 hour)	Flexibility to allow students to finish lunch before going to recess. A trained PBIS support-person is available during recess for each grade, to solve conflicts before re-entering the classroom.	Scheduling PBIS support during every recess Flex-time following recess for added support.
PBIS Assemblies	Regular, adult and/or student led assemblies to address social emotional learning and conflict resolution- building <u>common language</u> to assist in independent problem solving. Using SOAR Matrix.	Space to hold meetings PBIS Committee plans with input from all staff

Commitment 1

Recess Restructuring	Divide recess period into a combination of structured and free choice (half of the 40 minutes would be structured/monitored with adult, and half would be free choice). Trained staff to facilitate structured activities and provide on-site conflict resolution.	PBIS-Trained staff
Staff Date Night	Once a month (the 3 rd Friday) a grade level will sign up to be in charge of planning the venue for a staff gathering to build staff connections.	Staff Room sign-up sheet
Cafeteria Ambiance	Cafeteria atmosphere should reflect a calm environment through lighting, calm music, possibly projected meditation. Use of acoustic tiles (example: GW cafeteria), non-verbal cues to control overall volume.	Acoustic tiles, projector, speakers for calming music to be played, non-verbal volume cues (picture cues)
Mindfulness classroom integration	<p>Once a quarter, students will be given in-person mindfulness instruction and strategies to be incorporated into the classroom routine.</p> <p>Sensory integration bins will be provided to each classroom to destigmatize use of sensory tools for all students.</p> <p>Mindfulness Channel will be added to our school's Team page for reference. (For example: include Myer Memo mindfulness videos as well as other resources.</p>	<p>Utilize Crystal for in-class mindfulness instruction (sub provided as needed)</p> <p>Seek grant money to provide tailored sensory tools to each classroom. (Crystal and Jen Malloy)</p> <p>Jen Malloy will create a mindfulness Teams channel</p>
SOAR Visuals	Create visuals that are more kid-friendly with specific language for our younger learners.	Re-imagine Matrix Posters
Eagles	Re-visit the intended use of Eagles, providing specific examples of above and beyond, exemplary behavior.	Clearly articulated Eagle expectations

COMMITMENT 2

Our Commitment

What is one Commitment we will promote for 2023-24?	We commit to cultivating an environment of inclusivity through exposure to diverse people and cultures in order to develop tolerance and acceptance of all by creating the conditions where we embrace our differences as strengths.
Why are we making this Commitment? <i>Things to potentially take into consideration when crafting this response:</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>How does this Commitment fit into what we envision for the school?</i> • <i>How does this Commitment relate to what we heard when listening to others?</i> • <i>How does this Commitment connect to what we observed through analysis?</i> 	<p>We believe as a school that our students need to feel that their lives are reflected in the literature they read or is read to them. Our students should all be exposed to diverse races, ethnicities, cultures, abilities, and awareness of our LGBTQIA+ community in order to develop tolerance, acceptance and belonging.</p> <p>After reviewing the SCEP survey results as well as the KCSD data, only 10% of instructional staff agreed that the instructional materials used in classrooms are inclusive of LGBTQIA+. Also, only 30% of the instructional staff agree that materials in classrooms are inclusive of people with disabilities.</p>

Progress Targets

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End-Of-The-Year Goals			

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	Survey Question(s) or Statement(s)	Desired response (e.g., % agree or strongly agree)	What we ended up seeing (complete once Spring survey results are available)
Student Survey			
Staff Survey			
Family Survey			

Commitment 2

We believe achieving the following Mid-Year Benchmark(s) will give us good insight into our ability to reach our year-end goal:

	What data will we be reviewing?	What do we hope to see when we review that data?	What we ended up seeing (complete when reviewing mid-year data)
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Key Strategies and Resources

STRATEGY	METHODS	RESOURCES
What strategies will we pursue as part of this Commitment?	What does this strategy entail? What will implementation look like in our school?	What resources (Schedule, Space, Money, Processes, Individuals) are necessary to support these strategies?
Build our collection of resources for student and staff access to promote tolerance and acceptance of diversity.	Inform the staff as to what books are available in the library collection and add more to the collection.	Funding to add to the collection Library staff creates a list & shares
Exposure to diverse people and cultures	School-wide assemblies in alignment with monthly heritage months	Funding & community connections
Rotating Buddy Program	Once a cycle, classes will be "buddied up" to get to know each other and form new friendships. They will participate in a short activity designed by the cooperating	Scheduling between buddied classrooms Flexible meeting space

Commitment 2

	teachers. (15 minute minimum) Activities could include but are not limited to reading, science experiments, crafts, outside play etc.	
Friendship Bench	Re-teach the use of the friendship bench at recess and how to use it.	Integrated into quarterly PBIS assemblies
Social Thinking Lessons	Regular, social skills lessons in each classroom in coordination with PBIS committee. Intentional focus on diverse pairings.	PBIS staff outreach and planning with faculty

COMMITMENT 3

This section can be deleted if the school does not have a third commitment.

Our Commitment

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Progress Targets

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Key Strategies and Resources

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What strategies will we pursue as part of this Commitment?	What does this strategy entail? What will implementation look like in our school?	What resources (Schedule, Space, Money, Processes, Individuals) are necessary to support these strategies?
Amplify existing E&R protocols	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Common grade level scheduling to allow ability grouping Half year focus – Community service and Project Based Learning 	Scheduling E&R, special area teacher dedicated to grade level
Sunset E&R terminology	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Reframe as collaboration hour for both student and educators 	Staff participation
Create KALP discoveries opportunities during school day for all	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Build into school day 	Space and Kalp programming from outside providers

Commitment 3

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COMMITMENT 4

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Our Commitment

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Commitment 4

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Evidence-Based Intervention

All CSI and TSI schools must implement at least one evidence-based intervention as part of its SCEP. The intervention identified must meet the criteria of a Tier 1, Tier 2, or Tier 3 evidence-based intervention under ESSA. More information can be found at: <http://www.nysed.gov/accountability/evidence-based-interventions>

Schools may choose **one of three options** for identifying their evidence-based intervention:

Option 1: Selecting a strategy from the **State-Supported Evidence Based Strategies** located at: <http://www.nysed.gov/accountability/state-supported-evidence-based-strategies>

Option 2: Selecting an evidence-based intervention **identified in one of three clearinghouses:** What Works Clearinghouse, Social Programs That Work, or Blueprints for Healthy Youth Development

Option 3: Reviewing research to identify its own evidence-based intervention that meets the criteria for ESSA evidence-based intervention Tier 1, Tier 2, or Tier 3 found at: <http://www.nysed.gov/accountability/evidence-based-interventions>

Directions: Place an "X" in the box next to the path the school has chosen for identifying its evidence-based intervention and follow the corresponding directions for that path.

☐ State-Supported Evidence Based Strategy

If "X" is marked above, provide responses to the prompts below to identify the strategy and the Commitment(s) it will support:

Evidence-Based Intervention Strategy Identified	
We envision that this Evidence-Based Intervention will support the following Commitment(s)	
How does this evidence-based intervention connect to what the team learned when exploring the Envision/Analyze/Listen process?	

☐ Clearinghouse-Identified

If “X” is marked above, provide responses to the prompts below to identify the strategy, the Commitment(s) it will support, the Clearinghouse that supports this as an evidence-based intervention, and the rating that Clearinghouse gave that intervention:

Evidence-Based Intervention Strategy Identified	
We envision that this Evidence-Based Intervention will support the following Commitment(s)	
How does this evidence-based intervention connect to what the team learned when exploring the Envision/Analyze/Listen process?	

Clearinghouse used and corresponding rating

- ☐ **What Works Clearinghouse**
 - ☐ Rating: Meets WWC Standards Without Reservations
 - ☐ Rating: Meets WWC Standards With Reservations
- ☐ **Social Programs That Work**
 - ☐ Rating: Top Tier
 - ☐ Rating: Near Top Tier
- ☐ **Blueprints for Healthy Youth Development**
 - ☐ Rating: Model Plus
 - ☐ Rating: Model
 - ☐ Rating: Promising

☐ School-Identified

If “X” is marked above, complete the prompts below to identify the strategy, the Commitment(s) it will support, and the research that supports this as an evidence-based intervention.

Evidence-Based Intervention Strategy Identified	
We envision that this Evidence-Based Intervention will support the following Commitment(s)	
How does this evidence-based intervention connect to what the team learned when exploring the Envision/Analyze/Listen process?	
Link to research study that supports this as an evidence-based intervention (the study must include a description of the research methodology)	

Our Team's Process

Background

NYSED requires that the SCEP is developed in consultation with parents and school staff, and in accordance with §100.11 of Commissioner's Regulations. All schools are expected to follow the guidelines outlined in the document "Assembling Your Improvement Planning Team" found at:

<https://www.nysed.gov/sites/default/files/programs/accountability/assembling-your-improvement-planning-team.pdf>. This section outlines how we worked together to develop our plan.

Team Members

Use the space below to identify the members of the SCEP team and their role (e.g., teacher, assistant principal, parent).

Name	Role
Erin Nelson	Principal
Angela Rhinehart	Teacher
Anna Koch	Teacher
Antonella Fontana	Psychologist
Ashley Jankowski	Teacher
Beth Black	Teacher
Catherine Barringer	Teaching Assistant
Kelsey Dexter	Teacher
Kimberly Decker	Teaching Assistant
Sara Polanski	Parent
Meghan Landerway	Teacher

Our Team's Steps

Our plan is the result of collaborating to complete several distinct steps:

1. **Envision:** Exploring the Vision, Values and Aspirations for the school
2. **Analyze:** Analyzing Data
3. **Analyze:** Analyzing Survey Data
4. **Analyze:** Completing and Discussing the Tenet 1 Inventory
5. **Listen:** Interviewing Students
6. **Putting it all Together:** Completing the SCEP Planning Document
7. **Writing the Plan**

Meeting Dates

We completed the steps above across multiple meetings. Below is a list of dates we met as a team and what occurred during those meetings.

Meeting Date	Envision: Exploring the Vision, Values and Aspirations for the school	Analyze: Internal and External Data	Analyze: Survey Data	Analyze: Completing and Discussing the Tenet 1 Inventory	Listen: Interviewing Students	Putting it all Together: Completing the SCEP Planning Document	Writing the Plan
<i>Example: 4/6/21</i>				x	x		

Learning As A Team

Directions

After completing the previous sections, the team should complete the reflective prompt below.

Student Interviews

Describe how the Student Interview process informed the team's plan

Next Steps

Next Steps

1. **Sharing the Plan:**
 - a. **Schools in the CSI model:** As you develop your plan, please feel free to share the plan with your NYSED liaison for input when it would be helpful. When the SCEP team is satisfied with the plan, please indicate to your liaison that the school is ready to share its full plan for approval. Plans should be shared by July 15, 2023.
 - b. **Schools in the ATSI model and TSI model:** When your plan is ready for review, please share the plan with your District, which will approve your plan. Plans will need to be approved before the first day of the 2023-24 school year.
 - c. **All Schools:** Ensure that the District (Superintendent or designee) and local Board of Education have approved the plan and that the plan is posted on the district website.
2. **Implementing the Plan** (for all schools):
 - a. Ensure that the plan is implemented no later than the first day of school.
 - b. Monitor implementation closely and adjust as needed.
 - c. Ensure that there is professional development provided to support the strategic efforts described within this plan.
 - d. Work with the district in developing the 1003 Title I School Improvement Grant application designed to support the implementation of the activities identified in the school and district plan.