

Royal Oak Middle School Plan

2017-18

School Goal Statement: To improve students' engagement in their school community.

1. **Rationale:**
 - a. Engaged students demonstrate a sense of ownership over their learning
 - b. Engaged students are resilient and creative
 - c. Engaged students solve problems and collaborate effectively.

2. **Strategies:**
 - a. **Taking Action:**
 - i. Continue to expand the use of cross curricular and inquiry approaches to student learning.
 - ii. Focus on encouraging students to use technology in effective ways as a learning tool
 - iii. Promote the Learning Commons as “the hub of innovative teaching and learning” and provide multiple opportunities or all staff to collaborate with the teacher-librarian.
 - iv. Focus on promoting positive community building, including activities for our small learning communities and offering students in all grades leadership opportunities.

 - b. **Checking/Results:**
 - i. Review and discuss “Tell Them From Me” survey results as a staff each year.
 - ii. Track the use of the Learning Commons and ensure that all students and staff have an opportunity to collaborate with their peers and utilize the facility.
 - iii. Promote the use of GAFE as a tool to make learning accessible everyone.
 - iv. Ensure that staff are given professional development opportunities to support the focus on student engagement.

Student Achievement Data:

1. OurSCHOOL Survey - % of students who feel a sense of belonging

OurSchool Survey	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17
Grade 6	79%	83%	80%
Grade 7	89%	80%	80%
Grade 8	80%	79%	77%

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2. OurSCHOOL Survey - % of students who are engaged in learning

OurSchool Survey	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17
Engagement	82%	79%	76%
Relevance	71%	69%	68%

This refers to students who feel both challenged and positive about their learning.

*Our survey results are slightly down this year. It is important to note that the survey was completed in May rather than in January as in previous years.

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