

End-of-Year Needs Assessment

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2023-2028 Northwest ISD Strategic Goals and **Priorities**





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District Highlights:

- Implemented mClass Literacy Assessment and other BOY and MOY assessments. Using assessment data to support campuses and teachers.
- Provided TEKS clarifying documents to support teachers in planning and instruction.
- Providing support with math & science journal writing to support content literacy across all levels.
- Assisting campuses in monitoring students who have/have not met 'college and career readiness.'



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Campus Highlights:

- Writing in journals across all content areas.
- Student Progress Monitoring (SPM) in journals for each unit.
- Using mClass data to support individualized goal setting for students
- NEF grant for math picture books to promote literacy in math instruction
- PTA initiative -Wise County students will receive a book at home (under age 5)
- CTE-Content literacy articles added to curriculum. Students are annotating articles and writing responses in CTE classes



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District Highlights:

- Created a Welcome Home Conference for teachers new to the district.
- New Teacher Support Specialists, curriculum coaches and teacher mentor program are supporting our new teachers to NISD.
- Hosted Grow Our Home Academy.
- Continued focus on our compensation plan to recruit and retain our exceptional teachers and staff.
- Designed and offered Professional Learning sessions based on teacher feedback and provided choice to teachers in PD they have engaged in.
- Engaging in Listening Sessions with each campus and their staff.



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- Listening Session staff felt valued and heard
- Appreciate stipends that were added for UIL coaches at elementary and compensation for covering classes when we don't have a GE
- Walk-Through Wednesdays visiting classrooms and showcasing the great things we see in each other's classrooms
 - Padlet to give positive feedback
- NEF Resource Store has served approx 1000 different staff members:
 - o 87,000 supplies/books
- Buddy & Mentor system for paraprofessionals
- Hump Day Hooray write notes of encouragement and appreciation to to each other
- former NISD students returning as student teachers. Excited to be coming back and to see their former teachers



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District Highlights:

- Re-engaged W.A.T.C.H.Dog programs
- District-wide Anti-Bullying initiative with messages, posters, etc.
- Behavior Support Framework initiative with guidance and support from Emergent Tree.
- Student Wellness Ambassadors at secondary.
- Offering Youth Mental Health First Aid training.
- Sharing district information with our community through a newly designed District Dashboard, Facebook Live updates, construction website, etc.
- Implementing Silent Panic Alert System and installation of digital signage across all campuses to enhance safety measures.



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Campus Highlights:

- Safety officers on campuses feel safe and enhancing culture on campus
- Parent info nights-cell phone awareness;
 drugs/alcohol awareness, etc.-very informative
- Counselors Corner monthly sent through parent square
- PTA outreach and support
- PTA Council hosted program on fentanyl
- PTA does a lot to help staff feel appreciated & connect with the community
- Behavior Framework expectations with common language across campus & across district
 - students using the language too
- Reach & Respond to greet students each day
- Calm down corners in classrooms
- Student survey-students saying the feel their teachers care about them with Reach & Respond and other Behavior Support Framework components



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