

2023-2024 School Year Building Needs Assessment for 2024-2025 Budget Considerations

District: 250 Pittsburg	Bldg #	Grades Served:
School: Meadowlark Elementary	1307	K-5

Please consider the following questions as you complete the needs assessment for your building.

SECTION 1: Student Needs	Notes
a. Student Headcount	381 Based on Sept. 2021 Count
b. Percentage of students with an active IEP	16.27% Based on Sept. 2021 Count
c. Percentage of students enrolled in English Language Learner (ELL) services	16.00% Based on Sept. 2021 Count
d. Percentage of students identified as At-Risk (Free lunch)?	68.24% Based on Sept. 2021 Count
e. Pupil-Teacher Ratio Average	20.7 Classroom Teacher to Student Ratio
f. Pupil-Teacher Ratio Median	20.2 Classroom Teacher to Student Ratio
g. Are the needs of Foster Care Students being met? If no, what supports are needed?	Yes
h. Are there gaps in student success among race/ethnicity student subgroups?	Yes We see a gap in our identified ESOL learners, specifically for our Marshallese and Hispanic populations.
i. Is there a tiered system of support to target reading growth?	Yes We provide multi-tiered system of support (MTSS) for all students in the area of reading. They receive individualized reading instruction based from FastBridge and classroom data. MTSS services are provided daily for 30 minutes each day. Students are progress monitored to ensure academic progress in being made
j. Is there a tiered system of support to target math growth?	No We provide multi-tiered system of support (MTSS) for all students in the area of Math. They receive individualized reading instruction based from FastBridge and classroom data. MTSS services are provided daily for 30 minutes each day. Students are progress monitored to ensure academic progress in being made
k. Are there local assessments to measure reading growth?	Yes FastBridge (K-5), ESGI (K), State Assessments (3-5)

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l. Are there local assessments to measure math growth?	Yes	FastBridge (K-5), ESGI (K), State Assessments (3-5)
m. Are there learning opportunities for students to focus on academic needs outside the traditional classroom setting?	Yes	We provide Dragon Academy three days per week during the school year for 1st - 3rd grades to focus on reading and math skills. In the summer, we provide Summer Boost Academy on Monday - Friday from 8:00 - 1:00 for five weeks. Students that are behind in grades K-5 academically are invited to attend. We will be adding After School Tutoring programs for grades 4 and 5 for the 22-23 school year.
n. Reviewing state assessment data, what steps are you taking for all students to maximize their scores?		Our data indicates a need for a new core Math resource for K-5. Math resources will be reviewed, piloted, and selected during the 22-23 school year. We will continue implementation of our newly adopted Success for All Reading Program. This research-based program allows for students to be instructed at their individualized reading levels.
o. Are there set targets/goals to move students out of proficiency Levels 1 and 2 on state assessments?	Yes	We will be modifying our MTSS model in the 22-23 school year. The MTSS model will be skill based and data will be reviewed twice per month in order to provide individualized instruction

SECTION 2: State Board of Education Outcomes (please utilize your district KESA (accreditation) and Star Recognition plans/rubrics)	Notes
a. How is social/emotional growth being measured?	Panorama SEL Assessment We administer the Panorama SEL Assessment in the Fall and Spring to 3rd - 5th grades. This data is used to determine additional SEL services as well as parent and teacher referrals.

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b. What are the targets/goals related to social/emotional growth?	We want students to score On Track or Low Risk using the Panorama SEL Assessment	We administer the Panorama SEL Assessment in the Fall and Spring to 3rd - 5th grades. This data is used to determine additional SEL services as well as parent and teacher referrals.
c. How do you determine students are ready for Kindergarten? (only if building serves Kindergarteners)	ASQ Data, Preschool Data, Bracken Data	
d. What are the targets/goals related to Kindergarten Readiness? (only if building serves Kindergarteners)	Our target is for students to score Average or Above on the Bracken Assessments. If students scored in the Delayed or Below categories, they are referred for our summer Jumpstart program to help prepare for Kindergarten Readiness.	
e. How are successes of Individual Plans of Study being measured?	NA	
f. What are the targets/goals related to postsecondary completion/attendance? (only if building serves Grade 12)	NA	
g. How are you ensuring students are civically engaged?	Community Service Projects	Ex. Kiwanis Club (Kkids), Wesley House, Salvation Army,

SECTION 3: Curriculum Needs

a. What extended learning opportunities are provided (after school programs, summer school programs, etc.)?	We provide Dragon Academy three days per week during the school year for 1st - 3rd grades to focus on reading and math skills. In the summer, we provide Summer Boost Academy on Monday - Friday from 8:00 - 1:00 for five weeks. Students that are behind in grades K-5 academically are invited to attend. We will be adding After School Tutoring programs for grades 4 and 5 for the 22-23 school year. Incoming Kindergarten students who are identified at risk are invited to attend Summer Jumpstart to provide learning opportunities prior to attending Kindergarten.	Notes
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b. Are there appropriate and adequate instructional materials?	No	Our data indicates a need for a new core math resource for grades K-5. Math resources will be reviewed, piloted, and selected during the 2022-23 school year. We will continue implementation of our newly adopted Success For All reading program. This research based reading program allows for students to be instructed at their individualized reading levels. Additional instructional materials will need to be purchased to meet these needs.
c. Is current technology appropriate? If no, what technology is needed to support the curriculum?	Yes	However, there will be ongoing upgrade and replacement needs to support learning.

SECTION 4: Educational Capacities (pursuant to K.S.A. 72-3218)

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b. Subjects and areas of instruction necessary to meet the graduation requirements adopted by the state board of education are taught. (only if building serves Grade 12)	NA	
c. Is every child in your school provided at least the following capacities?	Yes	
1. Sufficient oral and written communication skills to enable students to function in complex and rapidly changing civilization.	Yes	All teachers support the instruction of oral and written communication skills. This is directly taught in ELA and is also part of the district's Profile of a Graduate goals.
2. Sufficient knowledge of economic, social, and political systems to enable students to make informed choices.	Yes	All teachers support the HGGs standards during their social studies lessons and other learning opportunities across the curriculum.
3. Sufficient understanding of governmental processes to enable the student to understand the issues that affect his or her community, state and nation.	Yes	All teachers support the HGGs standards during their social studies lessons and other learning opportunities across the curriculum.
4. Sufficient self-knowledge and knowledge of his or her mental and physical wellness.	Yes	All teacher support the instruction of mental and physical wellness during weekly GAT (Getting Along Together) lessons. In addition monthly counseling lessons and outcomes support this area.

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5. Sufficient grounding in the arts to enable each student to appreciate his or her cultural and historical heritage.	Yes	All students receive 90 minutes of Music and Art instruction during a 6 day rotation.
6. Sufficient training or preparation for advanced training in either academic or vocational fields so as to enable each child to choose and pursue life work intelligently.	Yes	We focus on the Profile of a Graduate skills in all of our classes. This encourages good communication, problem solving, critical thinking, and being a good citizen.
7. Sufficient levels of academic or vocational skills to enable students to compete favorably with their counterparts in surrounding states, in academics or in job market.	Yes	We focus on the Profile of a Graduate skills in all of our classes. This encourages good communication, problem solving, critical thinking, and being a good citizen.

SECTION 5: Staff Needs		Notes
a. Is there adequate personnel/staff to meet the needs of the school and the needs of students under ESEA guidelines, which requires every classroom to contain an educator who is certified in the content area being taught in said classroom, and meet the goals of the school?	Yes	
b. How many classified support staff are currently employed?	40	
c. How many classified support staff are needed?	40	
d. Are there enough appropriately licensed support personnel such as counselors, librarians, nurses, etc.?	Yes	
e. Are principals & other key staff trained to provide instructional leadership and professional development to teachers?	Yes	
f. What staff development is necessary for teachers to support student success and meet the school improvement goals?	Professional Development on Student Engagement strategies through the implementation of Kagan Structures. Professional Development on Marzano strategies for effective PLCs and the design areas of the New Art and Science of Teaching.	

SECTION 6: Facility Needs		Notes
a. Is there adequate space for student learning?	Yes	
b. Are there necessary repairs and/or adjustment to the existing space that need to be made?	Yes	
c. Are additional School Buses needed or any additional Routes needed?	No	

SECTION 7: Family Needs/Community Relations		Notes

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a. Do you have regular events to engage parents with teachers?	Yes	Family Engagement Nights, Music Programs, Open House, Raising Readers Workshop, Parent/Teacher Conferences, and PTO sponsored events.
b. What types of caregiver training programs (teaching guardians how to give students help with homework, use technology that students will be required to use, etc.) are provided?	Family Engagement Nights, Music Programs, Open House, Raising Readers Workshop, Parent/Teacher Conferences, and PTO sponsored events.	
c. Do you have an active Site Council?	Yes	The Meadowlark Site Council/PTO meets monthly. The Council is made up of teachers, parents, community members and building admin. Purpose includes but not limited to, the implementation and monitoring of the school improvement process (KESA), review assessment data, establish goals, discuss school safety concerns, allow patron representatives to bring forth issues. Committee also serves as the advisory council for Dragon Academy.
d. Do you have active PTO, PTA, Booster Club, or other organizations with parent leadership?	Yes	The Meadowlark Site Council/PTO meets monthly. The Council is made up of teachers, parents, community members and building admin. Purpose includes but not limited to, the implementation and monitoring of the school improvement process (KESA), review assessment data, establish goals, discuss school safety concerns, allow patron representatives to bring forth issues. Committee also serves as the advisory council for Dragon Academy.
e. What types of communication exists with families? Is it adequate?	Remind, Swiftreach, Facebook, Twitter, Peachjar, District webiste, Instagram, and Vimeo	
f. What types of communication/social media exists with your community? Is it adequate?	Remind, Swiftreach, Facebook, Twitter, Peachjar, District webiste, Instagram, and Vimeo	

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SECTION 8: School Data		Notes
a. Building Attendance Rate	95.0%	
b. Building Chronic Absenteeism Rate	14.3%	
c. District Chronic Absenteeism Rate	15.4%	
d. District Graduation Rate	82.3%	
e. District Dropout Rate	1.9%	
SECTION 8A: High School Needs (buildings with grades 10 through 12 only)		Notes
a. What is our building graduation rate	NA	
b. What is our building dropout rate?	NA	
c. What is our average comprehensive ACT score?	NA	
SECTION 9: Other Data		Notes
a. Based on the building leadership team's analysis, what are the barriers your school faces with non-assessment related issues?	Parent engagement, generational poverty, student apathy, ESOL students under served, students in trauma, increasing student mental health needs, chronic absenteeism by some students	
1. Can these be achieved with additional resources?	Additional resources could help with these issues, but not all.	ESOL-yes by adding staff. Adding more staff could help with our increasing mental health needs of our students, but our outside agencies would also need additional resources to get students out of the home quicker when trauma is occurring. Parent engagement is always an area of emphasis. During Covid, parent engagement declined. We are working to reengage our parents in the upcoming school year.

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2. Why or why not?	We can add resources to help students, but until you fix the root issues of student trauma and mental health needs the school can only be reactive to student needs. There needs to be prevention, early detection, and intervention with trauma.	
b. Additional building unique items:		