School Improvement Team

The goals of our School Leadership Team will be:

1) To facilitate the involvement of our parents, school community, and teachers in the development of the School Improvement Plan
2) Encourage and create opportunities for involvement within the school for our parents/community
3) Continuously monitor the effectiveness of the School Improvement Plan and make amendments as needed based on data
4) Review policies and procedures that enhance the safety of students and school

Date: **December 18, 8:15AM**

Note Taker: Smith
Timer: Cooper

Members:

Parents

Jessica Hightower	*Carolyn Semach*	*Saparbek Amanbaev*
Jay Dy	*Shakia Simmons*	

Instructional Staff

Anne Cooper	*Kristen Thomas*	*Katherine Kil*	*Helen Dendinger*	*Michelle Truesdell*

Teacher Assistant

Julie Gibbons

Administrative Team

Jigna Patel	Temika Smith

Upcoming Meeting Dates:
Our 2025-2026 schedule is as follows:

8:15- 8:45 in the Media Center

Thursday, January 22, 2026

Thursday, February 19, 2026

Thursday, March 19, 2026

Thursday, April 16, 2026

Thursday, May 14, 2026

Thursday, June 4, 2026

I. Good Things- Parents and staff share

Culture-

A. Bear Leader Lunch- Next one-January 27th

B. Bears Ceremony- March 10th

C. Action Teams-
Academics- January will have lots of MOY testing- K-3 DIBELS, ACCESS testing will start for ML learners
Student Lighthouse- Will touch base in January to make sure that invitations are all sent and that each group is working on their goals for Leadership Day.
Culture- Continuing to finalize details- food trucks, talent show, etc.
Recycling Club- Green team- has started off positively. Students are getting excited about recycling.
Safety- Update
Secretaries will ask the following questions when entering the building. This will serve as another safety measure for parents and community members entering our building.
1. What is your full name
2. What is your reason for visiting Ballantyne Elementary
3. Can you tell me the grade and classroom teacher of your child

Behavior- Staff meeting was held and staff were reminded of behavior expectations and safety protocols.
Counselors will do cumulative counts of bear paws at the end of each month to see which class has earned the most for the month.
Golden Bear Paws are ONLY reserved for the end of the year (March, April, May - EOY) so we can end the year strong.
Blue Bear Paws = 1 point
Purple Bear Paws = 5 points (only passed out in the cafeteria)
Semester Goal- 200 Bear Paws will earn classes a dance party at the end of the semester

Academics

D. Review of current school wide data.
E. Completed one on one data meetings with 3rd-5th in December
F. K-2 one on one data meeting in K-2 after DIBELS assessment

Leadership

G. School Improvement Plan- Review of progress for the 25-26 school year

Title IX-

Counselors are continuing to do classroom lessons based on the needs of individual classes.