

Meeting Minutes – WMS School Improvement Team

Location: WMS Library

Date: 4/4/2026

Time: 6:00pm

Attendance

Desiree Derix (Principal), Emily Perkins, Brandy Nelson, Kelli Giorno, Shaina McGinity

Facilitator: [Desiree Derix](#)

Review of WMS Vision Statement

“The Westerly Middle School is a community of diverse learners committed to excellence and respectful relationships. The school's programs are standards-based and designed to meet the unique social, emotional, and intellectual needs of every Westerly Middle School Student. Measuring success one child at a time, our school community strives to ensure that all students will become life-long learners and responsible, productive citizens.”

Review Agenda Items

1. Review of Agenda
2. Review of Norms
3. Review of Vision Statement
4. EL Education Curriculum Family Guide Presentation
 - a. Review of Literacy Vision and process for adopting HQIM
 - b. Review of EL structures and intended outcomes
 - c. Review of grade 5 All Block and discussion
 - d. Review of texts for grades 5-8
 - e. Description of supports in EL
 - f. Review of how to support discussions at home and discussions about what discussions are being had.
 - g. Review of the Read-Think-Talk-Write Cycle

Discussion Points

Action Items

Other Notes