

CSK/BEST Cluster (2017-2018)

District Mission & Vision

Mission

With a caring culture of trust and collaboration, every student will graduate ready for college and career.

Vision

A high-performing school district where student love to learn, educators inspire, families engage and the community trusts the system

Cluster Mission & Vision

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Our vision is to create a high-performing single gender exemplar that produces transformational leaders who contribute to the community.

School Mission & Vision

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Signature Program: STEM and Single-Gender

School Priorities

1. Improve student mastery of core content knowledge, particularly in literacy and conceptual knowledge
2. Strengthen the Single-gender Learning Environment
3. Implement a STEM enriched curriculum and continue process to become a STEM certified school

School Strategies

- 1A Incorporate reading period for students in grades 6-9 to improve reading comprehension through leveled instruction and practice on the ten fundamental skills essential for reading success
- 1B Diagnose reading levels three times per year using STAR
- 2A Institute Manhood Development Initiative in grades 6 and 9
- 2B Promote social interaction across genders at CSK/BEST (social games, dialogue, reflective panels, team building)
- 3A Certify teachers to meet STEM school requirements
- 3B Ensure facilities meet STEM certification requirements
- 3C STEM student candidates meet STEM Program criteria
- 3D Improve facilities to enhance single-gender learning (e.g. space, planning, room design)

Uses of Flexibility/Innovation

Key Performance Measures

- College Acceptance Rate
- Graduation Rate
- Student Achievement – GA Milestones (Lexile / Achievement) Levels
- Students certified in College and Career Pathways
- STAR to monitor students' reading progress
- Student enrollment, engagement, attendance, and suspension rate
- Teacher and Leader Effectiveness
- Teacher Retention
- Spending directed to instruction (professional development)
- Allocation of funds towards Reading and STEM Programs
- Successful Progression through Manhood Development Initiative
- School Climate Survey
- Partnerships aligned to Academic Program
- Pathways of Developmental Success (PODS) Surveys



Academic Program



Talent Management



Systems & Resources



Culture

4. Effective teacher in every classroom

- 4A Implement APS Instructional Practices consistently and systemically
- 4B Ongoing professional development related to STEM and single-gender best practices for all staff
- 4C Monthly New Teacher Chat with mentors and administrators
- 4D Ongoing data-driven Professional Learning Communities
- 4E Define, coach, and model for "Teacher Excellence"
- 4F Ongoing focused monitoring and feedback of "Teacher Excellence"

Uses of Flexibility/Innovation

5. Utilize systems and resources to attract students from across the district by providing rigorous standards-based single –gender education infused with experiential learning and social connectivity

- 5A Provide transportation satellites for students who live outside of the school zone
- 5B Establish recruitment team for district-wide middle and high school recruitment
- 5C Video testimonials (in person)

Uses of Flexibility/Innovation

6. Inform and engage school community
7. Develop a positive and engaged school culture

- 6A Students take part in extra-curricular activities (i.e. Boy Scouts, Science Club, Pathways of Developmental Success-PODS)
- 6B Build advocacy across the community
- 6C Utilize school website (brag board), social media, Twitter, Facebook, web-based mobile app (Appademics,), and Tele-Teacher Video Conference Tools
- 7A Implement mentoring programs (adult to student and peer to peer)
- 7B Timely feedback by all stakeholders
- 7C Training on Parent Portal App

Uses of Flexibility/Innovation