



# Camden Middle School

## School Improvement Team Meeting

September 21, 2015

3:30 p.m.

CMS Media Center

**Attendees:** Ernest Cooley, Cris Fields, Gloria Diaz, Carlise Jackson, Lykisa McCoy, Angela Noblitt, Kristin Rallis, Denise Thomas

### *Minutes*

**Agenda item:** Re-evaluate School Improvement Plan

**Discussion:**

- Reminders to team: School Improvement Plan is a living document that must be adjusted as we grow. Every decision we make should be in the interest of what is best for the students.
- Team members were asked to discuss SIP with departments and contribute suggestions.
- Revisit SIP strategy – “Spanish instruction offered for all 8<sup>th</sup> grade students” (would require Ms. Diaz to be at CMS all day) – consider alternatives
- Technology resources (focus on Canvas and Study Island, global awareness, etc. make technology more important than ever) – how to advocate for funding
- Student Attendance – use tutoring (Cub Focus) as an alternative to Wednesday Make-Up Time for students with excessive absences (would require a calendar and organization); would be more beneficial to students as a more effective and focused way to make up missed time; would allow time to be made up earlier in the year as opposed to only after accumulating 20 absences; Mr. Cooley will take this under consideration.

Action items	Person responsible	Deadline
✓ Team members to discuss SIP and other items with departments	SIT members	Before October meeting

**Agenda item:** Live Pacing Guides/Content Meetings

**Discussion:**

- Reteach content if needed –adjust pacing guides in response to student need and formative assessment data
- Core subjects use provided template; others may use template as well
- 3-4 weeks of live pacing guides at content meetings

Action items	Person responsible	Deadline
✓ Maintain pacing guides and provide to Ms. Fields for web site	Teachers	Content meeting

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**Agenda item:** Progress Reports

**Discussion:**

Progress Reports go home September 30<sup>th</sup>. Make note to recommend tutoring as appropriate on progress reports.

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**Agenda item:** Announcements/Other

**Discussion:**

- 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Dance: remain 8<sup>th</sup> grade or change to combined 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> grade dance? Would location change?
- Need 2 parents to serve on SIT (one 7<sup>th</sup> grade, one 8<sup>th</sup> grade)
- How to unify the staff at Camden Middle School? Ideas for staff events, room changes, etc. that would build unity among staff members.