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West Sylvan Middle School School

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FOCUS: Acknowledgement of TAG Identified Students		
Action	Expected Completion Date or Check Point	
Method used to ensure all teachers know TAG students enrolled in their class(es):	Staff meeting agenda,	
Teachers will review students in their classes and indicate that they know which student	email and teacher copies	September 2019,
are identified TAG by highlighting their TAG students, or signing class lists that indicate	of identified TAG students	2020, 2021
who these students are.	kept at teacher's desks.	

FOCUS: Identification of Students who Perform in the 97th Percentile or Demonstrate the Potential to Perform		
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Staff will have time during their beginning of the year PD to identify students (TAG, SPED, 504, SPED, ELL, AVID, etc), review legal obligations for support and develop plans of intervention for each of these student groups.	Planning meetings (introduced in staff meetings - see staff meeting agenda)	August PD days 2019 - 21
The principal will ensure teachers are nominating students from underrepresented populations in the following manner: Student list review, Students data review, Past nominations, teacher recommendations	Test data from previous years broken down by ethnic groups, Review list from TAG department/nominate potentials	End of October 2019- 21
Our school will use the following observation tools and/or data in the TAG identification process: Test Data (SBAC, BAS, Dibels, MAPS), Work Samples, Teacher Observations	Observational tools filed in student files or electronic files	October - November 2019-21

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The building will use the following procedures throughout the ID proce	s:	
TAG Facilitator will coordinate the process using the IDPF	List of recommendations filed in TAG folder End of Novemb	er

	FOCUS: TAG Services		
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Differentiation strategies:			
1) Please list different	ciation strategies used within a variety of classrooms.		
Differentiation Strategies	Subtypes		
<u>Acceleration</u>	Jigsaw modification		
	Different books, same subject		
	Single subject acceleration (math/science)		
Cluster Grouping	Use in specific projects Lit circles Research projects Small groups to focus on specific skills Scheduling priorities	Teacher Lesson Plans, Classroom Observations, Master Schedule, Student Work, Assessment Data, Staff Meeting notes, PLC notes, Committee Notes	On-going -(Admin team review this progress during summer pre-planning for staf)
Compacting	Vocabulary		
	Compact lesson		
	Math compacted classes		
Tiered Assignments	Options for assignments		
	Vocabulary		
	Tiered texts		
	Assignment Choices		

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Range of Assignment

Presentation Type

Choice/Menu Boards

Flexible Grouping Synergy

Change as Needed

<u>Enrichment</u> Outside Help (projects put on by universities, nonprofits,

etc.)

Independent Study/Projects Book Projects

Independent Study Project

Choices

Binary # Projects Quality Questions

Student-Selected Research

<u>Quality Questions</u> Study open-ended questions

Interview assignments

Socratic seminar/Philosophical Chairs

Peer tutoring (AVID)

Higher Level/Critical Thinking Costa's Levels of Questioning

Socratic Seminars
Open-Ended Questions
Bloom's Taxonomy

Students Write Discussion Q's

Writer's Workshop Research projects Summarize w/ Bloom's DBQ Assignments

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Graphic Organizers Rate Table Templates

Partially Fill In w/ Student Input

Cornell Notes

Teacher generated (task specific)

- 2) Describe how the following strategies are used in all classrooms to meet the rate and level of students.
 - a. Flexible Grouping

Students are placed into specific groups, dependent upon the activity, that meets their rate and level of learning (for all students) For example, (pre-arranged lit-circle; lab groups; poster projects; etc...)

b. Pre-Assessments

Formal Pre/Post Assessments, Quizzes, Student work, Benchmark Assessments, Quizzes, Student Work, Benchmark Assessment Scores (used to provide instructor with specific data to inform future instruction or activity design)

- c. System of on-going or formative assessments that inform instruction

 Data from all assessments analyzed to inform instruction for individuals
 and groups. Extended learning opportunities, interventions, provided for
 students who may need this opportunity.
- d. Application of AVID and MYP frameworks that support Rigor, Relevance, Persistence and Engagement across all levels of student learning.
- 3) What are the school-wide structures that provide for rigorous and relevant coursework at the appropriate rate and level? Teacher Observations, Goal Setting, Teacher Coaching, Ongoing Professional Development, Administrator-Supported PLC Collaboration and Teamwork (MYP and AVID school-wide

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structures)(Introduction to Approaches to Learning, Integration of MYP unit planners, with a move to concept/inquiry based instruction)		
We determine whether a student needs acceleration in the following way: Standardized assessment Scores (SBAC, BAS, Dibels, MAPS), Unit Pre-tests, student work samples and recommendations from Teachers, Parents.	Assessment Data Meeting Notes Math Meetings in the Fall Meeting notes from Elementary schools	On-going (Spring - Fall 2019, 20, 21)
Our process for using data to measure the growth of our TAG students is: During Data Meetings and PLC's, look at TAG Student progress and formulate a plan to meet their needs.	Meeting Notes	On-going
The following options for acceleration are available at our school: Acceleration is offered through Math (and Science - depending on the circumstance) and also full grade acceleration with parent and/or teacher support Students access these options in the following manner: Teachers or Parents may contact the PPS TAG department to start the process of single subject acceleration.	Student assessments data, Meeting notes, Application forms,	Review in Spring - Fall 2019,20, 21)
If a student requires a course beyond what is typically available for that grade or subject area, that student can access this course or experience in the following ways: Contact administrator, or PPS TAG department, for case review around progress in subject area. Students may be placed in alternative accelerated course within the school or be considered for alternative access through our feeder high-school (Lincoln). On-line options (virtual scholars) are available for students, when appropriate to the student or access to content isn't readily available. Referrals for alternative placement (ACCESS Academy) are also considered.	Student assessments data, Meeting notes, Application forms,	On-going
Additional services available for TAG students include: Individual TAG plan, Club participation, Makerspace class, Robotics, OBOB, Geography Bee, Spelling Bee, Mathletics, Independent Inquiry, Dance team, Math Acceleration	Master Schedule, Title of Classes Offered, TAG Notebook, Class Lists	On -going

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The students access these services in the following manner: Teacher Nomination, TAG Identified, Student or Parent Request		
The administrator(s) ensures the use of differentiated strategies, rigorous and relevant coursework, and instruction provided at the appropriate rate and level in the following	Mally through Notes	
ways: Reviewing Lesson Plans, Observations of Students and Classrooms, Discussions with Teacher and Staff. Proactively implementing, or providing resources for professional development (Culturally relevant teaching, differentiation, project based learning, ongoing assessment, etc.)	Walk-through Notes, Lesson Plans, Informal Observations and Conversations	On-going

FOCUS: Responsibilities of TAG Coord	dinator	
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The administrator ensures the TAG Facilitator is trained and familiar with the requirements of the TAG Facilitator Job Description, which include mandatory attendance at TAG sponsored PD and coordinating the Nomination and Identification process in the school, in the following manner: TAG Facilitator remains stable. Online attendance verification, Discussing of timeline/ notes	Successful attendance and completion of required activities	On-going
FOCUS: Professional Developme	ent	
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A quarterly PD schedule is provided that demonstrates when each of the following is included in the school's professional development plan: Flexible grouping, Rigor in the classroom, Assessments to inform to inform instruction, Increased use of mathematical practices and instructional shifts, Increased text complexity and text-based questions, concept/inquiry based learning, and "West Sylvan Approaches to Learning". (see attached doc.) These strategies will be integrated into our school professional development plan or school improvement plan in the following ways: GVC Implementation, Equity Work, MTSS, AVID CSS, MYP framework, CAP plan, Balanced Literacy Implementation	PD Schedule Agendas of PD Meetings and Notes	August 2019 November 2019 February 2020 April 2020 -June 2020 (extending to consecutive years 2021-2022)
Administrator(s)//Teachers will use their staff meetings, collaborative planning times, or team planning times to integrate these strategies into their instruction in the following manner: Looking at Student Data, Forward Planning, Identifying Targets and Sharing Learning, formative and summative assessment, and differentiation.	Agendas and Notes from Meeting	On-going

FOCUS: Communication		
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Teachers communicate the differentiation strategies they're implementing in their classrooms in the following ways: PLC's, Grade level meetings, committee meetings (AVID, MTSS, EQUITY, MYP) general staff meetings and PD, Lesson Plans, Parent communication, Back-to School nights, Learning Targets, student work-samples, and student/teacher conversations.	Communication from teachers	On-going
The administrator uses the school newsletter to communicate with families about TAG in the following ways:	Monthly	On-going

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Nomination Timelines, Identification timeline, growth mindset and MYP topics of focus, advertising and celebration of extension activities (Independent projects, robotics, OBOB, etc)		
TAG Bulletin Board will be available for parents to read on the first day of school and will remain posted throughout the year. It will include a copy of the Building TAG Plan, current ID Process forms and other relevant information in languages represented in the school community when available. The TAG Bulletin Board will be maintained by: TAG Facilitator	Bulletin up and current	On-going
A Fall TAG parent meeting will be held before 10/31. Details include: Powerpoint will be presented and questions answered by Administrator and TAG facilitator	Notices will be distributed	November 1, 2019- November 1, 2022
Parent/teacher will sign a form at Parent-Teacher Conferences that indicates parents have had the opportunity to offer input into and review the school's plan for meeting a student's rate and level. If an individual plan is written, a copy of the individual plan will be placed in the student's CUM folder.	Forms signed and placed in Salmon folder	December 13, 2019 December 13, 2020 December 12, 2021
Our families will have the following opportunity(ies) to evaluate our TAG services: Fall Tag and Parent Meetings, Site Council, Parent input solicited at Parent/Teacher Conferences or conversations with administration	Written Communication	On-going
If parents have concerns about their child's TAG services they will have the following opportunities (process) to inform the school by contacting: (in the following order) Formal meeting with content teacher, formal meeting with TAG Facilitator and/or Principal, contact with PPS TAG department, contact with Area Director	Written Documentation of Meeting	As needed

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