Corrective Action Plan for Adlai Stevenson School

How CMSD Will Invest and Why

Adlai Stevenson School profile:

- o K-8 school with enrollment of >400 scholars
- o New construction facility in good repair, currently under-enrolled
- Reading achievement stagnant, currently near 45% proficiency
- o Mathematics achievement on decline, currently near 30%
- >40% of students cite feeling unsafe at school

CMSD will invest to ensure Adlai Stevenson School students are Ready to Learn.

Readiness Element	Foundational change levers	School-specific levers suggested by staff,
		community members
	Conduct facilities walk-through and IT audit to determine	Develop internal system to monitor the
	priority measures that will ensure a positive learning	implementation of tiered discipline policy,
Safety, discipline, & engagement:	environment	including norming expectations and
Students feel secure and inspired to	Overhaul school culture by ensuring that staff utilize and	tracking progress toward goal
learn	implement a research-based national exemplar discipline	
	policy; classroom and school culture must be positive,	Increase student leadership opportunities
	progressive, and consistent, minimizing disruption to	throughout the building to uphold the
	instruction and communicating high expectations to all	expectations and goals of the school, with
	scholars	strategic integration of students of all
	Targeted selection/utilization of security personnel	levels
	Promote a college-going culture that permeates all facets of	Define what college going culture looks
	the school	Define what college-going culture looks like at each grade level and write a
		corresponding implementation plan
Action against adversity:	Non-academic support services/ afterschool partners: Explore	Compare existing supports for elementary
Schools directly address the non-	opportunities to expand current partners and/or identify	students to existing supports for middle
academic needs of students	additional aligned supports	school students and allocate additional
	Targeted selection/utilization of CTAG personnel	supports accordingly
	Using input from parents and caretakers, increase the number	, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,
	of family events and prioritize increasing family attendance at	Target in-school and/or afterschool
	such events	programming to increase enrichment
		opportunities for students
		Develop parent engagement
		communications plan in order to
		coordinate and encourage increased
		attendance at family events
Close student-adult relationships:	Organize staff assignments and schedules to ensure each	Conduct initial staff mindset survey as a
Every student forms consistent,	scholar experiences increased positive outreach from adults in	diagnostic for staff beliefs about their
enduring, positive connections	the school	students, on relationships with their
		students, and on cultural competency; use



Design a system to ensure all scholars develop a meaningful relationship with at least one adult in the building (e.g. target lists of scholars for each staff member, Advisories, "breakfast buddies")	data to develop a professional development strategy plan for mindsets

CMSD will invest to ensure Adlai Stevenson School educators are Ready to Teach.

Readiness Element	Foundational change levers	School-specific levers based on feedback
		from staff, community
Shared responsibility for	Current principal, if interested in continuing to serve, will be	Attach vision and mission to SMART goals
achievement:	re-interviewed by Chief Executive Officer and/or Chief	and regularly track school-wide progress
Staff feel deep accountability for	Academic Officer	toward goals
student success	Current Chapter Chair, if interested in continuing to serve, will	
	be re-interviewed by a Special Investment Selection	Within any leadership or staffing
	Committee ¹ (see Appendix A)	transition, prioritize building positive
	Comprehensive selective staffing process: if interested in	relationships and setting explicit
	continuing to serve, all current staff members in all job	expectations
	classifications must commit to an equitable and consistent re-	
	interview process ² (see Appendix A) to be modeled after	Highlight assets within school unity
	Article 12, Section 1B of the CTU Collective Bargaining	initiatives and school-wide discipline
	Agreement	policy
	Implement a comprehensive and ongoing professional	
	development strategy that commences prior to opening of	As part of professional development
	school 2014, extends throughout the school year, and	strategy, establish visions for data literacy,
	promotes staff accountability for student success;	differentiated instruction based on data,
	differentiated components may include site visits to exemplar	rigor.
	sites and/or attendance at relevant conferences as well as	
	school-based activities	
	Add five days of professional development prior to the	
	opening of school, with teachers reporting August 11 th and	
	students reporting on August 18 th , specifically for the staff to	
	work together in teambuilding and professional development	
	activities, preparing a positive learning environment, crafting	
	a common understanding of school-wide culture,	
	expectations, and procedures, parent and/or community	
	meetings, and student transition activities	
	Create a system to celebrate and incentivize staff and student	
	successes	
	Collaboratively establish a school mission and vision with	
	corresponding specific and measurable goals	
Personalization of instruction:	Educators will use multiple data sources to drive instructional	Adlai Stevenson School must and will
Individualized teaching based on	decision-making, including short-cycle assessments with	identify a signature instructional focus
diagnostic assessment and	regular (bi-weekly) reporting to scholars and families and	that will allow it to develop as a thematic
adjustable time on task	evidence of effective planning for instruction	K-8 academy of academic excellence;
	Review instructional programs; use data to add or eliminate	selection of primary professional
	as necessary to improve positive impact	development partner must and will align
		with established academic focus



Professional teaching culture:	All staff must agree to the conditions outlined in the	In 2014-15, Adlai Stevenson Investment
Continuous improvement through	Investment Commitment Letter, which will include active and	School's Primary Professional
collaboration and job-embedded	positive engagement in all aspects of Adlai Stevenson School's	Development Partner will be the
learning	professional learning community; if determined not to be	ASCD/Understanding by Design cadre
	meeting commitments of the Letter, any individual staff	faculty
	member will be given written notice; if not able to make	
	demonstrable improvements after such notice, any staff	
	member may be transferred to a non-Investment School	Evaluate current Student Support Team
	assignment	structure and adjust as necessary to
	All instructional staff must attend and actively engage in	ensure that staff understands and invests
	activities delivered by the selected Primary Professional	in the data-driven process by which they
	Development Partner/s, and implement the model/	and the team support at-risk students
	techniques in demonstrable ways according to the timeline of	
	expectations established by the Partner/s	Build a professional feedback culture by
	Establish cycles of coaching for continuous improvement	setting instructional and peer observation
	(inclusive of and extending beyond the TDES cycle) of best	expectations
	practices to increase achievement; coaching may be delivered	
	by school instructional or administrative staff, through	Collaboratively develop professional
	specialized interventionists, and/or via video recording	expectations for instructional staff
	Primary Partner for Professional Development: Adlai	
	Stevenson Investment School will be paired with a primary PD	
	partner from the "Readiness to Teach" folio* (see Addendum)	

CMSD will invest to ensure Adlai Stevenson School leaders are Ready to Act.

Readiness Element	Foundational change levers	School-specific levers based on feedback
		from staff, community
Resource authority: Leaders make mission-driven	Hiring by school-level interview team to ensure "right fit" staff selection for Investment School assignment	Expand leadership coaching to include training on all existing flexibilities and
decisions RE people, time, money, and program	Intensive leadership coaching to ensure effective mobilization of CMSD School-Based Budgeting autonomies	autonomies and their potential impacts Develop internal communication plan and
	Analyze the school schedule and restructure if needed to best support the learning needs of scholars	systems to encourage transparency and ensure that all staff receive timely,
	Adlai Stevenson School's Academic Progress Team (APT) will convene at least once monthly with the sole purpose of reviewing and improving implementation of this Corrective Action Plan, monitoring progress against corrective metrics, and making recommendations to district leadership regarding next steps	Restructure professional development time to include whole-staff PD opportunities, as well as a structured Common Planning Time that integrates all instructional staff and paraprofessionals, offers teacher leadership opportunities, operates according to established expectations, and is held accountable to
	Adlai Stevenson School leadership will have discretionary funds available to address school-specific needs that arise during the school year	those expectations Create a school-day structure that allows for increased opportunities to provide soft skills development for students
		Align school schedule restructuring with school needs data to provide time for adequate intervention in core subjects



		Distribute leadership responsibilities so as to prioritize teaching and learning support; divide responsibilities between teacher capacity building and curriculum/student achievement; and communicate division of roles and responsibilities to all staff
Resource ingenuity: Leaders are adept at securing additional resources and leveraging partners	Implementation of this Corrective Action Plan and all relevant attachments is not subject to formal approval of Adlai Stevenson School's Academic Achievement Plan Strategically coordinate community partners to meet school goals	Conduct resource needs survey of staff members and compare against list of resources available to the school that are not yet fully utilized Review building leadership team composition to ensure full representation of the school community
Agility in the face of turbulence: All staff are flexible and inventive in responding to constant unrest	All Investment School staff will be expected to engage constructively in ongoing outreach to families (possible examples including but not limited to participation in community walks, visits with families outside the school site or school hours, etc.); staff will utilize feedback received from such outreach to address school- and classroom-level challenges in demonstrable ways All Investment Schools will receive streamlined support from district-level Network Support Team and Executive Director so that Investment educators may focus time, energy, and perseverance on teaching and learning	

Key actions based on community feedback

Community Feedback

Action Steps

Remove graffiti on walls



Power wash and/or paint affected areas





Create murals that reflect the community



Contact community organizations that may be willing to produce such murals

Staff members should reflect the demographics of the community



Adhere to affirmative action policy in candidate selection

Teachers should be "out-of-the-box" thinkers



Interview questions target creativityrelated competencies as pertains to instructing scholars





Increase engagement of organizations in the community



A school-based Site Coordinator will oversee the coordination of community resources

Accountability metrics and reporting

CMSD's Office of School Performance will assess Adlai Stevenson Investment School at least once annually on district-wide school performance criteria. In addition, all Investment Schools report out quarterly on Corrective Action <u>metrics</u> including but not limited to the following:

- Student and staff attendance
- Disciplinary data, including suspensions and expulsions
- NWEA, OAA, and other student performance data
- · Family and community engagement
- · Facilities condition and upgrades
- Customer satisfaction, including online and voicedial surveys

Appendix A

¹ Chapter Chair re-interview: The members of the Special Investment Selection Committee will be identified as follows from amongst Investment Phase I Principals and Chapter Chairs: CTU will identify one principal and one chapter chair, then CEO will identify one principal and one chapter chair; all members should be selected as a result of having modeled constructive and collaborative professional interactions during school year 2013-14; if Special Committee is gridlocked and cannot render a decision regarding a candidate, decision reverts to CEO

Adlai Stevenson School Commitment Letter (Attached)

Respectfully submitted to the Citizens of Cleveland,

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² Comprehensive selective staffing process may include objective/quantitative components (i.e., evidence of student learning as evidenced by various standardized assessments); each School-based Investment Selection Committee will be led by the Principal (or district designee therefor) and CTU representative identified by the Special Committee; if a school-level Selection Committee is gridlocked and cannot render a decision regarding a candidate, decision reverts to Investment School principal (or CEO in his/her absence)

School District



ADDENDUM: Primary Professional Development Partners

Each Phase 2 Investment School will be assigned to work intensively throughout school year 2014-15 with an external professional partner organization from a specific folio, as follows:

"Readiness to Learn" folio: Center for Transformative Teacher Training

Conscious Teaching The Leader in Me Responsive Classroom

"Readiness to Teach" folio: Achievement Network

ASCD/Understanding by Design cadre faculty Buck Institute for Project-Based Learning

Efficacy Institute
Project Lead the Way

Research for Better Teaching

*"Readiness to Act" folio: Job Corps

New Tech Network School of One

*Additional primary partners still under consideration for Readiness to Act folio

