

Santa Ana Unified School District

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School: **WASHINGTON ELEMENTARY**

- 1) What is your site doing *differently* this year from last year to improve student achievement?
 - Providing personalized instruction for 5th grade students through the incorporation of digital technologies for all students. Students are able to take the devices home
 - Teachers are getting PD in the area of English Language Development.
 - Grade levels will use Google Drive to share ideas and look at assessing their progress
 - Use of a systemic approach to promote PBIS, restorative justice practices, Padres en Acción and Playworks with the goal of improving the learning and school community climate for students and staff

- 2) What is your site doing this year that is considered *new* to improve student achievement?
 - Canvas is being used by staff to participate in self-selected staff development
 - Learning Walks which administrators do walkthroughs to focus on areas of strengths and weaknesses
 - Initial implementation of AVID WICOR strategies in 3rd -5th grades
 - i3 Early Math Project focusing on math strategies and techniques
 - Training on Making Meaning Through Writing in order to support instruction

- 3) What is your site doing *more of* this year to improve student achievement?
 - More access to Turning Point counselors to support social emotional needs through the implementation beginning January of 2016
 - Looking at data more often, standards and Learning Continuum
 - More time that Special Education students are mainstreamed and push in into general education classes and collaboration of teachers
 - More release of responsibility to build student agency
 - More application of learning and higher Depth of Knowledge strategies during instruction to align instructional practices to CASSP assessments
 - More use of complex texts to increase academic rigor

- 4) What is your site doing *less of* this year to improve student achievement?
 - Less whole group instruction
 - Teachers are talking less, to allow students to interact collaboratively
 - Use of digital devices in the classroom to increase personalized instruction opportunities for students

- 5) What is your site doing this year that is *innovative* to improve student achievement?
 - Morning Circle highlight student progress and acknowledge 5th grade sportsmanship.
 - Padres en Acción and Playworks to provide structured PE activities for students during recess
 - Increase access to technology for students who do not have internet at home
 - Library open before and after school to have more access to students
 - Staff meetings are more a staff development model
 - Computer Tech will provide parents with technological support