

Santa Ana Unified School District

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School: King Elementary School

- 1) What is your site doing *differently* this year from last year to improve student achievement?
 - Differentiation of reading instruction; grade levels are implementing small group instruction
 - PBIS: Continue implementation of school-wide positive behavior incentive program (Character Counts) for Tier 1 students to increase instructional time and decrease student interruptions. Strategies include the expectation matrix, positive incentives such as tickets/scholar store, and CICO for Tier 2 and 3 students.
 - As a No Excuses University (NEU) network school, we are fully implementing the NEU curriculum and resources for K-5 career readiness

- 2) What is your site doing this year that is considered *new* to improve student achievement?
 - Implementation of reading intervention programs including: SIPPS, SIPPS Plus, Learning Together, Intervenciones and Achieve3000
 - Providing personalized reading intervention program Smarty Ants for K – 2
 - Chrome Books for all 4th and 5th grade students
 - School wide reading intervention blocks structured for each grade level
 - Introduction of AVID's WICOR strategies to upper grade staff

- 3) What is your site doing *more of* this year to improve student achievement?
 - Small group differentiated skill-specific instruction during ELA block and after school
 - Technology integration in the classroom across the curriculum
 - Deeper implementation of school wide culture of universal achievement (critical mass)
 - Focus on academic language development and amplification in language production

- 4) What is your site doing *less of* this year to improve student achievement?
 - Less teacher talk with more emphasis on student collaboration and academic language
 - Fewer referrals of "at risk" students for MDA without rigorous, systematic intervention strategies
 - Less computer lab based instruction transitioning to a more project-based learning model
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- 5) What is your site doing this year that is *innovative* to improve student achievement?
 - Built parent capacity through the Project2Inspire & Raising Highly Capable Kids classes for parents (King Parent University)
 - PBIS: Santa Ana Police Athletic & Activity League offer a Lunchtime Fitness Program daily for 1st – 5th grade students to increase positive lunch behavior
 - Student exposure and proficiency on the use of various technology platforms according to grade level