

Santa Ana Unified School District

1 Page SPSA Questionnaire for Board 2015-16

School: **Glenn L. Martin Elementary School**

Date: **December 11, 2015**

- 1) What is your site doing *differently* this year from last year to improve student achievement?
 - Focus staff development on “Writing” across the curriculum
 - Implement Year 3 of PBIS, to support students in need of Tier 3 (intensive) interventions and supports.
 - Opening the school library on select days during vacation time.

- 2) What is your site doing this year that is considered *new* to improve student achievement?
 - Students in grades 4 and 5 may check-out chrome books for home use.
 - Goal-setting with students that emphasizes making “1 Year Plus” worth of growth, to accelerate learning.
 - “Growth mindset” staff development and student slogan: “We can do difficult things. We are Martin Scholars!”
 - Staff development in the use of Google Apps for classroom use with students.

- 3) What is your site doing *more of* this year to improve student achievement?
 - Gr. K-5 Implementation of Common Core units of study (Math and ELA integrated with social studies/science)
 - After- and before- school tutoring to targeted groups in the areas of primary grade reading, writing for EL’s, math extended response, and reading comprehension to support LCAP Goal 1.
 - Increase parent involvement through parenting classes from *Padres Unidos*, Project 2 Inspire, Learning Link, *Padres en Accion* and *Criando Niños Altamente Capaces*, so that parents can be partners at home in increasing student achievement and preparation for college and career.
 - Introduce college-related vocabulary and activities, following the University Starts Now model, to establish a college-going culture and mindset in our elementary-age students.

- 4) What is your site doing *less of* this year to improve student achievement?
 - De-emphasize teaching one standard at a time, as well as the use of workbook pages; instead we are emphasizing integration of units, teaching writing within the context of the content areas, etc...
 - Decrease suspensions and office discipline referrals, in order to increase time learning in classrooms.

- 5) What is your site doing this year that is *innovative* to improve student achievement?
 - 4th and 5th grade teachers are experimenting with innovative use of chromebooks, in using Google Classroom and other Google Apps, to engage students and enhance their learning.
 - Implementation of structured recess time with Playworks “Team-up” model, to reduce office discipline referrals and increase student health, engagement and problem-solving skills.

