

Santa Ana Unified School District

1 Page SPSA Questionnaire for Board

2015-16

School: Spurgeon Intermediate

1. What is your site doing *differently* this year from last year to improve student achievement?
 - Shift lesson study focus to formative assessment and include electives in core contents
 - ELA and Math after school intervention program focusing on improving MAP scores
 - Increased reflection on MAP scores/skills for in-class Responses to Intervention (RTI)
 - All students are given an elective course
 - School wide use of AVID College and Career vocabularies as well increased use of AVID strategies such as Cornell note taking
 - 1:1 rollout of Chromebooks for 6th graders with continued
2. What is your site doing this year that is considered *new* to improve student achievement?
 - Counselors teach CCGI lessons to all students
 - Counselors use a Data Wall to provide academic support
 - All Teachers will be trained in Restorative Practices and Project Based Learning (PBL)
 - Utilize Restorative Practices in parent/student conferences
 - Common Core Math 7 Honors course created to allow for an Honors Math pathway
 - W.I.N. Saturday program to provide an opportunity for students to catch up with work
 - Extended library hours after school and on Saturdays for students and families
3. What is your site doing *more of* this year to improve student achievement?
 - Marketing and branding to change perception of school and improve communication with parents and community
 - Academic recognitions through incentives, awards ceremonies and assemblies
 - Accelerated Reader program in all classes to support reading
 - Flexible learning spaces and personalized learning opportunities
 - Increased focus on shifting to 21st Century Skills such as Blended Learning and PBL
 - Utilize outside consultants to support Spurgeon in Lesson Study, PBL, MAP & CELDT
 - Partnerships with other learning agencies and the community
 - UC Irvine
 - Buck Institute
 - The Bowers Museum
 - The Phoenix House
 - The Ecology Center
 - Spurgeon's Parent Center
4. What is your site doing *less of* this year to improve student achievement?
 - Reduction in Suspensions and expulsions
 - Less reactive discipline and more proactive intervention
 - Fewer traditional classroom configurations, more open learning spaces and inspiring classroom environments
5. What is your site doing this year that is *innovative* to improve student achievement?
 - Full implementation of PBL in the 6th grade and preparation work for PBL in the 7th grade
 - Students in the 6th grade will give a Presentation of Learning (POL), develop a Personalized Learning Plan (PLP), and create a Google Site as a digital portfolio
 - Provide an extended advisory period on Wednesday (48 min) to mentor, build relationships and monitor students' goals and progress
 - Participation in the district's Educational Opportunity Audit to support improved HS graduation and pathways to college
 - Teachers utilize flexible learning environments on campus and create inspiring learning spaces in their classrooms