



## Morningside Elementary 2017-2018

*Mission: Nurturing All Students to Be Leaders*

*Vision: Learners Today, Leaders Tomorrow*

- 1) We expect that all children can learn.
- 2) We are committed to determining what each child needs to fulfill his/her potential.
- 3) We take responsibility for learning for our students and ourselves.
- 4) We will not be satisfied until all students meet or exceed the highest academic standards.
- 5) We are not afraid of change and will embrace change that is research-based and proven to be effective.

### 2016-2017 College and Career Readiness Targets

CCRPI Overall Score	78.9
Achievement Points	27.9
Progress Points	33.6
Achievement Gap Points	7.5
Challenge Points	10
School Climate Star Rating	3

### Long Range Goals

- 1) Ensure high quality instruction in Reading/ELA aligned with state standards.
- 2) Ensure high quality instruction in Math aligned with state standards.
- 3) Ensure high quality instruction in Science and Social Studies aligned with state standards.
- 4) Utilize technology to promote 21<sup>st</sup> century learning.

### Key Actions (1-3 years)

#### Actions to be Taken

<u>Actions to be Taken</u>	<u>Related Goal</u>	<u>Timeline</u>
Utilize data obtained from formative reading assessments to provide targeted, skill specific group instruction.	Goal 1	2017-2018
Implement research based strategies in reading instruction to improve Lexile scores.	Goal 1	2017-2018
Use read aloud to promote fluency, comprehension, and vocabulary development.	Goal 1	2017-2018
Use constructed response strategies to enhance reading comprehension.	Goal 1	2017-2018
Utilize interactive math notebooks in which students demonstrate their knowledge by writing explanations of learned math concepts.	Goal 2	2017-2018
Focus on math fluency in all grades to ensure that students build a strong math foundation.	Goal 2	2017-2018
Provide real-life experiences for students to connect math to the world in which we live.	Goal 2	2017-2018
Utilize a problem solving graphic organizer school-wide to aid students in solving words problems.	Goal 2	2017-2018
Utilize project-based learning, labs, and field trips to promote mastery of Science and Social Studies content.	Goal 3	2017-2018
Utilize content word walls to support academic vocabulary instruction.	Goal 3	2017-2018
Use best practice instructional strategies to teach academic vocabulary based on GA Standards of Excellence.	Goal 3	2017-2018
Support Science and Social Studies instruction by implementing the workshop model with an emphasis on informational texts.	Goal 3	2017-2018
Utilize various types of technology, apps, etc. during the workshop framework to provide students with engaging activities.	Goal 4	2017-2018
Teach keyboarding to all students to ensure success on computer based standardized tests.	Goal 4	2017-2018
Increase the daily use of technology to teach high quality lessons across the curriculum.	Goal 4	2017-2018
Ensure equitable access, reliability, and use of school technology resources for all students.	Goal 4	2017-2018

#### Strengths

- ✓ Commitment to academic excellence.
- ✓ Implementing GA Standards of Excellence with fidelity.
- ✓ Commitment to building teacher and leader capacity
- ✓ Commitment to building positive relationships.

#### Opportunities for Growth

- ✓ Implement the school-wide discipline plan with increased fidelity.
- ✓ Implementing GA Standards of Excellence with fidelity.
- ✓ Address the needs of the 21<sup>st</sup> Century Learner.
- ✓ Build a culture of diversity.

#### External Challenges

- ✓ Reduced state funding.
- ✓ Continuous change in accountability measures.
- ✓ Increased mandated testing.
- ✓ Lack of world/life experiences when students come to school.
- ✓ Increase in poverty.



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*Our Vision:*

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**Goal 1: Ensure high quality instruction in Reading/ELA aligned with state standards.**

**Action 1:** Utilize data obtained from formative reading assessments to provide targeted, skill specific group instruction.

**Action 2:** Implement research based strategies in reading instruction to improve Lexile scores.

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**Action 4:** Use constructed response strategies to enhance reading comprehension.

**Goal 2: Ensure high quality instruction in Math aligned with state standards.**

**Action 1:** Utilize interactive math notebooks in which students demonstrate their knowledge by writing explanations of learned math concepts.

**Action 2:** Focus on math fluency in all grades to ensure that all students build a strong math foundation.

**Action 3:** Provide real-life experiences for students to connect math to the world in which we live.

**Action 4:** Utilize a problem solving graphic organizer school-wide with fidelity to aid students in solving word problems.

**Goal 3: Ensure high quality instruction in Science and Social Studies.**

**Action 1:** Utilize project-based learning, labs, and field trips to promote mastery of content.

**Action 2:** Utilize content word walls to support academic vocabulary instruction.

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**Action 4:** Support Science and Social Studies instruction by implementing the workshop model with an emphasis on informational texts.

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