

# Title I Schoolwide Plan

Please use the assigned Nebraska Department of Education  
County District and School Numbers in the table below.

*To complete text areas click in grey box and type*

District Name:	Lexington Public Schools
County Dist. No.:	24-0001-000
School Name:	Morton Elementary School
County District School Number:	24-0001-004
School Grade span:	K-1
Preschool program is supported with Title I funds. <i>(Mark appropriate box)</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
Summer school program is supported with Title I funds. <i>(Mark appropriate box)</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
Indicate subject area(s) of focus in this Schoolwide Plan.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Reading/Language Arts <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Math <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify) _____
School Principal Name:	Nikki Edeal
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Superintendent Name:	John Hakonson
Superintendent Email Address:	john.hakonson@lexschools.org
Confirm that the Schoolwide Plan will be made available to the School District, Parents and the Public.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No

<u>Names of Planning Team</u>	<u>Titles of those on Planning Team</u>
<i>(include staff, parents &amp; at least one student if Secondary School)</i>	
Heather Walker	<u>Parent</u>
Nikki Edeal	<u>Administrator</u>
Megan Vonasek	Instructional Coach
Amy Mostek	Intervention Specialist
Amber Nichols	Kindergarten Teacher
Terry Sullivan	Counselor
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<b>School Information</b>		
<i>(As of the last Friday in September)</i>		
Enrollment: 302	Average Class Size: 19.5	Number of Certified Instruction Staff: 24
Race and Ethnicity Percentages		
White: 8 %	Hispanic: 67 %	Asian: 1 %
Black/African American: 23 %	American Indian/Alaskan Native: 1 %	
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander: 0 %	Two or More Races: 1 %	
Other Demographics Percentages <i>(may be found on NEP <a href="https://nep.education.ne.gov/">https://nep.education.ne.gov/</a>)</i>		
Poverty: 89 %	English Learner: 58 %	Mobility: %

<b>Assessments used in the Comprehensive Needs Assessment</b>	
<i>(ie. NSCAS, MAP, ITBS, AIMS web, DIBELS, CAT etc.)</i>	
<b>NSCAS</b>	<b>MAP - Math</b>
<b>Acadience Reading</b>	<b>ELPA</b>
<b>Acadience Mathematics</b>	
<b>MAP - Rdg.</b>	

*Please write a narrative in each box below to correspond to the Rating Rubric.*

*Place documentation in corresponding folder on flash drive to support the narrative.*

**1. Comprehensive Needs Assessment**

<b>1.1</b>	<p><i>Please provide a narrative below describing how data was used from a comprehensive needs assessment of the entire school to identify the needs of all children, particularly those who are failing, or are at-risk of failing to meet State academic standards, and how this analysis was used to plan instruction. Provide supporting documentation in the corresponding folder.</i></p>
<p>Morton Elementary School uses multiple sources of achievement data to assess the needs of our students. The following are the assessments administered to our students.</p> <p>I. Reading  a. Acadience K-1 grade  b. Peli -Incoming Kindergarten</p> <p>II. Math  a. Primary MAP 1 grade</p> <p>III. Other Data  a. Mobility  b. Intervention Data  c. Attendance</p> <p>Morton Elementary collects disaggregated data in a least 6 subgroups.  Which include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• English Language Learners (ELL)</li> <li>• Poverty</li> <li>• Gender</li> <li>• Special Education</li> <li>• Ethnicity</li> <li>• Mobility</li> </ul> <p>A data team process is followed when utilizing our disaggregated data for making instructional decisions. Teachers, Intervention Specialist, Instructional Coach, Special Education Staff and Administration meet in Grade Level groups to discuss data, interventions &amp; teaching strategies, to meet the needs of all students. Students are progress monitored throughout the year to monitor growth or lack of growth. Individual Student Problem Solving plans are initiated during these meetings for students not making adequate gains.</p>	
<b>1.2</b>	<p><i>Please provide a narrative below describing how information from parents and community was gathered to identify the needs of the school. Provide supporting documentation in the corresponding folder.</i></p>
<p>Parents and the community of Lexington are surveyed each year during our parent-teacher conferences. This is an online survey asking about their opinions and perceptions of our school, curriculum, and social/emotional programs. These surveys are provided to parents in English and Spanish. Multiple stations and interpreters were provided for parents to complete the information.</p> <p>Parent input is also collected at the annual Title 1 Parent Meeting where curriculum, assessment and interventions are discussed between parents and administration. All data is then collected and reviewed by administration and staff annually.</p>	

<b>1.3</b>	<i>Please provide a narrative below describing the on-going improvement efforts, which should support the Continuous School Improvement Plan. Provide supporting documentation in the corresponding folder.</i>
<p>Throughout the 2019-2020 school year, an LPS District team that had representation from each school met to develop goals and action plans to address suggestions from Cognia (AdvancED) for school improvement.</p> <p>Morton representatives shared information for the meetings with our building. Our school then worked together to review existing practices and identify new ways to approach each of the areas so that we would have concrete steps to take in order to meet our goals.</p>	

**2. Schoolwide reform strategies**

<b>2.1</b>	<i>Please provide a narrative below describing the additional assistance provided for students at risk of not meeting the challenging state academic standards. Provide supporting documentation in the corresponding folder.</i>
<p>Students who are identified as "below academic standards" in the area of reading are provided the following assistance:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Interventions: Reading Mastery, Early Intervention in Reading (EIR), Language for Learning &amp; Heggerty</li> <li>• English Language Learner/Language Arts Time: The bottom 5% of 2nd Language Students receive their literacy instruction from a Certified ELL Instructor. They receive 40 min of each, Language for Learning, Reading Mastery &amp; Heggerty or Phonemic Awareness Intervention.</li> <li>• Progress Monitoring (Accadience Assessment &amp; Intervention program) is done weekly instead of monthly to ensure success.</li> </ul> <p>Students who are identified as "below academic standards" in the area of Math are provided the following assistance:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Intervention: iXL, Eureka Small Group Instruction</li> <li>• Monthly progress monitoring (accadience Assessment &amp; Intervention program assessments)</li> </ul>	

**3. Qualifications of instructional paraprofessionals**

<b>3.1</b>	<i>Please provide a narrative below describing the procedure(s) used to make sure that all instructional paraprofessionals in the school meet the ESEA requirements. Provide supporting documentation in the corresponding folder.</i>
<p>All paraprofessionals at Morton Elementary are highly qualified according to the current ESEA requirements and participate in meaningful professional development activities. All paraprofessionals have either pass the Para-Pro Assessment required by the state of Nebraska, have an associate's degree from college or higher, or have over 60 hours of college credit. All paraprofessional have received and continue to receive ongoing professional development/training through the district.</p>	

**4. High quality and ongoing professional development**

<b>4.1</b>	<i>Please provide a narrative below describing the professional development and other activities provided to improve teacher effectiveness and use of academic data to guide instruction. Provide supporting documentation in the corresponding folder.</i>
<p>Staff participates in ongoing professional development that focuses on the core strategies of our instruction</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Explicit Instruction</li> </ul>	

- MTSS Process
- Core Programs (Rdg., Mathematics, Science, Social Studies)
- Interventions Used
- Social/Emotional Strategies
- Classroom Management (PBIS)
- Professional Learning Communities (PLC)
- Data Team Reviews

## 5. Strategies to increase parental and family engagement

<b>5.1</b>	<i>Please provide a narrative below describing how the School-Parent Compact was jointly developed and how it is distributed. Provide supporting documentation in the corresponding folder.</i>
<p>In the fall of each school year our annual parent night is held to discuss to review the School-Parent Compact. Once agreed upon, this document is sent home to every student for the parent's review. It is also placed on the district web page and social media for access by parents, staff, and the community. This document is provided in English, Spanish, and Somali. Copies of the compact are made available at our Parent-Teacher Conferences held twice per year as well.</p>	
<b>5.2</b>	<i>Please provide a narrative below describing how parents were involved in developing the Title I Parent and Family Engagement Policy or Procedure. Provide supporting documentation in the corresponding folder.</i>
<p>The LPS District Title 1 Parent and Family Engagement Policy is reviewed on an annual basis by a team that includes board of education members, administrators, staff, and parents. The policy is then take to a hearing before a school board for comment by the public. Following that hearing it is voted upon by the board of education and placed in the LPS Elementary Handbook for parents to review.</p>	
<b>5.3</b>	<i>Please provide a narrative below describing how and when the annual Title I parent meeting is/was held informing parents of the school's participation in Title I. Provide supporting documentation in the corresponding folder.</i>
<p>The Title 1 Parent night is held in conjunction with a Family Literacy Fun Night held at Morton Elementary. The beginning of the evening is a meeting for parents, staff and administrations to discuss the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Curriculum materials used</li> <li>• Intervention materials used</li> <li>• Assessments given</li> <li>• Title 1 Parent &amp; Family Engagement Policy</li> <li>• School-Parent Compact</li> <li>• Schoolwide Data</li> </ul> <p>This Title 1 Parent Night is promoted through newsletters, web page, social media, phone call system, notes sent home.</p>	

## 6. Transition Plan

<b>6.1</b>	<i>Please provide a narrative below describing the school's transition plan for incoming students to support, coordinate and integrate services from their previous program or school (i.e. Headstart and/or other Early Childhood Program to Elementary, Elementary to Intermediate, Intermediate to Middle School, Middle School to High School). Provide supporting documentation in the corresponding folder.</i>
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<p>At Morton Elementary we transition students from our Early Learning Academy to 1st grade at Morton and 1st grade students to 2nd grade at Sandoz Elementary. Tools that we use to help make these transitions seamless are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Tracking document - this is an excel document that is used to monitor student progress for those students who are performing below grade level standards in the area of English Language Arts</li> <li>• Individual Student Transition Plan - this is a document that is completed by the teachers at the ELA passed to the teachers at Morton &amp; Morton Elementary that is then passed onto Sandoz. It includes: Accommodations, Characteristics, Home Background, etc.</li> <li>• Individual Progress Monitoring Reports: These reports monitor the areas of math concepts and computation, reading fluency and reading comprehension.</li> </ul>	
<b>6.2</b>	<p><i>Please provide a narrative below describing the school's transition plan for outgoing students as they move on to their next school / program / career. (i.e. Elementary to Intermediate, Intermediate to Middle School, Middle School to High School, High School to Post Secondary Schooling or Career). Provide supporting documentation in the corresponding folder.</i></p>
N/A	

## 7. Strategies to address areas of need

<b>7.1</b>	<p><i>Please provide a narrative below describing how the Schoolwide Plan increases the amount and quality of learning time within or beyond the instructional day. Provide supporting documentation in the corresponding folder.</i></p>
<p>Through our Schoolwide Plan students receive an intervention block in the area of reading that would not be available without Title 1 funds. This block is for students who have demonstrated through our Universal Screener that they are below grade level expectations in reading fluency. Students are then provided more testing to determine the areas of deficiency and interventions are then assigned for that student. The student attends three 25 minute intervention rotations that can include, but not limited to: Early Intervention in Reading (EIR), Language for Learning, Reading Mastery, Haggerty (Phonemic Awareness), or Six Minute Solution. Each group is lead by a trained paraprofessional or certified teacher. Data is collected on a weekly bases to review to ensure that progress is being made. Every eight weeks all students are reviewed and programming adjustments are made if necessary. Beyond the instructional day, Lexington Public Schools offers After School Academy &amp; Summer Programming to meet the needs of our students.</p>	

## 8. Coordination & integration of Federal, State and local services & programs

<b>8.1</b>	<p><i>Please provide a narrative below describing how available Federal, State and local funds are coordinated and integrated to meet student needs and support student achievement. Supporting documentation may also be placed in the corresponding folder.</i></p>
<p>The following is how resources and sources of funding are used to support student learning:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Title 1 Funding of Instructional Coaches (One per Elementary School)</li> <li>• Intervention Specialists (One per Elementary School)</li> <li>• One Certified Preschool Educator</li> <li>• Paraprofessionals (One per Elementary School &amp; Preschool)</li> <li>• Lexington Academy – After School Program Staff</li> <li>• 21st Grant Funding</li> <li>• Lexington Academy – Site Directors (One per Elementary School)</li> <li>• Nebraska State Funding (Poverty, ELL, State Aid, etc.)</li> </ul>	

- Special Education Services
- Certified Staff Members
- Highly Qualified Paraprofessionals
- Title II Funding
  - Staff Development Opportunities
- Migrant Funding
  - Social Worker (One for Lexington Public Schools)
  - Bilingual Interpreters
- Lexington Public Schools Funding (Local Funding)
  - Certified Staff Members
  - Highly Qualified Paraprofessionals
- Lexington Community Foundation Grant Funding
  - Parent Involvement Activities oInnovative/Creative Teacher Activities
  - Backpack Food Program
- UNK Partner School Program
  - Early Literacy Student Assistance Support
  - Staff Development Training/Institute Summer School Teachers