# QUISPAMSIS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT & POSITIVE LEARNING ENVIRONMENT PLAN 2022 - 2023

# **Vision Statement**

We build leaders by igniting a passion for learning in a community of caring and respect.

# **Mission Statement**

We connect and inspire. We learn and succeed. We lead!

# **Values and Belief Statements**

We can all learn.

We need a safe, respectful and challenging environment to learn and thrive.

We learn achieve when staff, students, families and our community work together.

We have a responsibility as partners in learning to help others in our local and global communities.

We will be lifelong learners.

# **ENDS POLICY #1 – Curriculum and Instruction**

Staff and students of Quispamsis Elementary School will demonstrate continuous improvement in literacy curriculum delivery, striving to meet or exceed the targets set by ASD-S and the Province of New Brunswick.

- District Improvement Plan Links Ends Policy #2
- <u>EECD 10 Year Plan Links</u> 1, 3, 6, and 7

## ENDS POLICY #2 - Positive, Safe, Healthy and Inclusive Learning and Working Environments (PLWEP PLAN)

Quispamsis Elementary School will demonstrate continuous improvement in creating positive, safe, healthy, and inclusive 21<sup>st</sup> century learning environments.

- District Education Plan Links Ends Policy 1, 3, 4
- EECD 10 Year Plan Links Objective 1, 5, 6, 7, 8 and 9

# **QES Continuing Practices**

Literacy	Numeracy	Positive Inclusive	PLC/Leadership/Capacity	Parent/Community Engagement
		Environments		
Jolly Phonics Scope and Sequence	Use of Monthly Math Maps and	Pyramid of Intervention	PLC time - Literacy/Numeracy and	School Website, Facebook, TEAMs, Class Messages
	Term Benchmarks		Trans-curricular Inquiry	(Bi – Weekly)
Balanced Assessment (Triangulation	PDU – Use of Numeracy	Updated Learning Profiles	Core Leadership Team	PSSC – Parent School Support Committee
of Data)	Instructional/Assessment Tools			
Transdisciplinary Approach (Units of	Guided Math Approach (small	PBIS Approach/Plan/Guidelines	Collaboration/Co-Planning/Co-	Home and School Association
Inquiry/Exploratory/Cross Curricular	group targeted instruction)	of Addressing and Responding to	Teaching Model wit <mark>h</mark>	
Block)		Be <mark>haviour</mark>	Coaches/Resource	
Teaching Process Map – Plan, Do,	Numeracy Look Fors	WI <mark>TS Program</mark>	Frequent FA & Common	Community Partnerships
Check, Act Process			Assessments (Format <mark>i</mark> ve an <mark>d</mark>	
			Summative)	
Individual and Small Group	Balanced Assessment	Zones of Regulation	PBIS Leadership Team	Community School Coordinator (grants,
Targeted Instruction)	(Triangulation of Data)			partnerships, programs, etc.)
Core Resources (Trehearne, Look	K – 5 Comparison Document	Student Leadership / Clubs	PLC Team Based Professional	Early Literacy Friends Program (ELF)
Fors, curriculum, standards)	(number)	V	Learning Goals	
Data Collection Systems (Robust	Data Collection Systems (Robust	Intervention Map	PLC - Literacy/Numeracy Curricular	Big Brothers/Sisters In school Mentoring
Teacher Pensive)	Teacher Pensive)	' W V	SMARTgoal Process.	
Literacy Benchmarking/Data (Sept,	Teaching Process Map – Plan,	Guidance Programs (Anxiety,	PL Snippets – Staff Meeting, Staff	Eagles 5K, Spring Fling, Holiday Breakfast
Nov, Mar, May)	Do, Check, Act Process	Peer Helpers, Divorce/Separtion)	Memo	

## Area of Growth #1

Quispamsis Elementary School will use the EECD Building Blocks of Reading Document and demonstrate growth in our pedagogical literacy approach shifting from a balanced literacy approach to practices reflective of Science of Reading.

### **Data Collection and Progress Monitoring**

Teachers will administer the Quick Phonics Screener (QPS) and the Phonological Awareness Screener to determine a baseline of each student's skills in these fundamental reading areas. Reading Records will be used to monitor progress of students in grades 3 – 5.

### **Action Plan/Strategies**

- Jolly Phonics will be our observed scope and sequence for the teaching of phonic skills as part of a structured approach to literacy instruction.
- Jolly Phonics Interactive Whiteboard Software will be provided to teachers for use in whole group and small group instruction.
- K-2 Staff will receive Heggerty Phonemic Awareness Resource at K 2. Heggerty Intervention Resources with be available as an intervention program for Grade 3 and up.
- K-2 Teachers will complete EECD's Inspiring Growing Readers modules as per the EECD PL Plan. Gr. 3 5 English Prime teachers will be encouraged to engage with this reading modules as well.
- K 2 classrooms will be provided with decodable texts to support skill mastery during small group instruction.
- A progress monitoring/data collection process will be collaboratively Identified for reading. K 2 will complete Phonological Screener and the Quick Phonics Screener. Grade 3 5 will continue with reading benchmarking in (Nov, Feb/March, May/June). Gr. 2 will complete a Feb/March and May/June reading benchmark. Data will be shared via student profiles.
- Teachers will be provided access to the Reading Simplified subscription for support for pedagogical practices and teaching strategies.
- Gr. 3 -5 Teachers will identify gaps in reading skill development via screeners and use that data to drive their instruction (whole group and small group).
- Gr. 3 -5 Teachers will provide input on resources to support their targeted teaching.
- Literacy PLC meetings will include ongoing reference to the Building Blocks of Reading skills/pillars which will be linked to their short-term SMART goals for students.
- K 5 teachers will explore the use of "sound walls" as an alternative to "word walls".
- Professional Learning resources/experiences will be sought to support teachers at grade 3 5 with the Building Blocks of Reading Pillars of Vocabulary and Reading Comprehension.

**NB School Improvement Indicator Connection**: Domain 4: Classroom Practice, Sub Domain: Instructional Strategies, Indicator 27: Strengthen Literacy Development. **10 Year Plan Objectives**: 1, 3, 6, 7

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### Area of Growth #2

Quispamsis Elementary School will improve the welcoming culture of our school to be more reflective of the diversity within our school community as well as create a stronger sense of school connectedness by fostering the growth in the global competencies.

### **Data Collection and Progress Monitoring**

Our School Survey Data

### **Action Plan / Strategies**

- QES will seek support from our school and local community to assist in acquiring the requested resources of teachers to build welcoming inclusive classroom environments (eg. Inky Umbrella)
- Staff will engage in PL snippets during staff meeting and/or professional learning days with topics linked to diversity and inclusion.
- QES will create a "Welcome Feature" in main hall area which will represent the nations and cultures represented in our school community.
- QES will seek support from ASD-S Culture and First Nation Coaches to assist in creating a land acknowledgement statement as well as learn the stories of the 7 grandfathers in collaboration in collaboration with First Nations Elders.
- QES staff and students will engage in House Teams initiative to learn about and encourage students to "take action" in areas outlined in the 17 UNESCO Sustainable Goals (multi-year plan)
- QES staff will seek support of ASD-S First Nations and Culture Coaches to explore additional teaching strategies to support embedding learning in regular lesson planning.
- QES Staff will seek out opportunities to engage in a First Nations Blanket exercise to gain further understanding and appreciation for First Nations Culture.
- Enhance social inclusion of students with exceptionalities (eg. playground communication board, explore "circle of friends" program).
- QES staff will seek opportunities to invite families/community members to share with classes/school about family histories/culture.
- QES will seek professional learning support in discussing LGTBQ+ terms in developmentally appropriate ways with students.

**NB School Improvement Indicator Connection**: Domain 1: Systemic School Planning, Sub Domain: Inclusion, Indicator 7: Create and Maintain a learning environment that celebrates diversity, is focused on equity, and are viligent on eliminating barriers and reducing inequities. **10 Year Plan Objectives**: 1, 5, 6, 7, 8 and 9

<sup>\*</sup>February 2022

