## FLORENCE MACDOUGALL COMMUNITY SCHOOL

2025-2026 SCHOOL ASSURANCE PLAN



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Our Children, Our Students, Our Future: Moving the Dial on Every Child

Priority	Essential Principle Focus for	School Goal Reframe the Division Goal	Results (current reality)	Target Data (desired reality)	Implementation Plan Consider research and	Short Report (completed as data
	Improvement	into a School Goal that	(carrene reality)	(acsirca reality)	best-practice in the short	becomes available)
	Highlight one/two	highlight school focus			and long term	
	Essentials for improvement for each					
	Priority			1 1		
Connectivity	School, family, and community	Focus on Parenting from Epstein's (2019)	As of May 12, 2025, 30 students (9%)	Improved attendance rates	Use Epstein's (2019) Comprehensive	
FVSD will foster connectivity and	partnerships support student	Comprehensive Framework for	have less than 60% attendance.	<ul> <li>Students with chronic</li> </ul>	Framework for School, Family, and	
well-being amongst community,	achievement.	School, Family, and Community	Teachers	absenteeism will show	Community  Partnerships and six	
students, parents,	School, family, and	Partnerships and six	communicate with	improved	types of involvement	
and staff	community	types of involvement	parents about	attendance.	to build the	
	partnerships must	to improve student	attendance on an as-	<ul><li>Overall</li></ul>	foundation for	
	focus on increasing	attendance.	needed basis.	improved	collaboration:	
	student learning and development.		No formal procedure	attendance	Parenting	
	development.		exists for the school	for all students.	<ul> <li>Communicati ing</li> </ul>	
	Students improve		to address chronic	students.	Volunteering	
	attendance when		absenteeism.	Increased parent	Learning at	
	families are informed			awareness and	Home	
	of policies about		Student attendance	engagement in	<ul> <li>Decision</li> </ul>	
	attendance and		is higher on days	attendance	making	
	engaged in meeting attendance goals.		with special events.	procedures and meeting attendance	<ul> <li>Collaborating with the</li> </ul>	
			Classroom family	goals.	Community	
			lunches are well attended by students	Comment the Comment		
			and	Connectivity Survey results will indicate	Create a school	
			parents/guardians.	that all students feel	attendance procedure.	
			, , ,	connected at school.	procedure.	
			Having student		Provide	
			performers at		opportunities for	
			assemblies increases		family engagement in	
			parent volunteerism via audience		special events (e.g.,	
			attendance.		Stuff Your Locker, family lunches,	
					assemblies, etc.).	

					Address food insecurity through our nutrition program.  Increase frequency of reporting student academic progress.	
Literacy  All students will improve literacy skills	Frequent opportunities to apply and practice foundational literacy skills across domains will improve student English Language Arts and Literature outcomes.	Students will have frequent and regular opportunities to practice learned targeted literacy skills to strengthen reading and writing.	All classrooms are explicitly and systematically teaching phonics skills.  Most classrooms are utilizing differentiated reading groups to teach reading strategies and practice learned phonics skills.  Our progress monitoring tools are inconsistent across grade-levels and classrooms.  Time spent reading is inconsistent and segmented from content areas.	Universal screening results will indicate above average growth in foundational word reading, fluency, and overall reading comprehension.  Instructional teams will have shared access to progress monitoring tools and results. The teams will use this data to inform instructional decisions.  Frequent classroombased progress monitoring will indicate student response to targeted instruction and intervention.  Instructional teams collaborating to identify and plan for literacy outcomes	Explicit school-wide instructional focus on  Daily application of word reading and writing in connected text.  Cross-disciplinary literacy skill acquisition and applied practice.  Frequent classroom-based progress monitoring.  increased access to and experience with a variety of genres, including non-fiction texts.	

				across other subject area curricula.	<ul> <li>differentiate         d, small         group         instruction</li> <li>School supports         include         <ul> <li>Coaching</li> <li>Librarian</li> <li>Interventioni st</li> <li>Structured professional development (monthly)</li> <li>Collaboration time</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	
Numeracy  All students will improve numeracy skills	Frequent opportunities to apply and practice foundational numeracy skills across domains will improve student mathematics outcomes.  Instructional planning practices that incorporate evidence-based cognitive learning strategies will improve student achievement.	Students will learn mathematical concepts through cognitive learning strategies, including interleaved instruction and distributed practice.	Tier 1 Math instruction is organized by Learning Outcome in grade level year plans (shape and space, patterns, data collection, time, equations, etc.). New research recommends a change in practice whereas Math instruction is more effective through interleaved instruction and distributed practice.	Year plans for Math will reflect interleaved instruction and topics will not be addressed through isolated units.  Frequent classroombased progress monitoring will indicate student response to targeted instruction and intervention.  Maintained or improved results on universal screening measures.	Explicit school wide instructional focus on  - Fact fluency - Numeracy vocabulary - Frequent classroom-based progress monitoring - High impact visuals - Hands on learning  School Supports include: - Numeracy coach - Interventioni sts - Structured professional	

					development (monthly) - Collaboration time	
Career Paths  All students will  Explore, Develop,  Grow, and  Experience chosen  career paths	Career exploration provides opportunities for cross-curricular learning.	Through thematic play-based learning, students will develop cross-curricular connections between subject areas and career opportunities.	Students are engaged in possible careers in a dedicated play space.  Themes change monthly to highlight a new area of industry/business.  Teachers determine the frequency of engagement with the dramatic playroom.  Teachers and other staff have access to professional development and a variety of visuals to aid in play-based instruction.	The dramatic playroom will be used intentionally to target program planning for students with speech and language goals.  The dramatic playroom is a space where students can explore while also expanding vocabulary related to specific careers.  Adults will engage with students in purposeful play and determine themes related to curriculum.	Involve teaching teams in theme development and implementation of dramatic playroom themes.  Continue to plan dramatic playroom themes to complement curriculum connections.	

As the representative of the School Council at this school, I hereby give my endorsement to this School Assurance Plan for the 2025-26 school year. I hereby acknowledge that the school council has had opportunity to provide feedback on this plan and support it as is here presented.	As Principal of this school, I hereby submit our School Assurance Plan for the 2025-26 school year. This plan has been created in collaboration with all staff at this school, as well as with the school council.
School Council Chair Date	Principal Date