

# Title I Schoolwide Plan

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

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| District Name:   | Omaha Public Schools  |
| County Dist. No.:  | 28-0001   |
| School Name:   | Wakonda Elementary  |
| County District School Number:   | 1   |
| Building Grade Span Served with Title I-A Funds:                                     | PK-5  |
| 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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No   |
| Indicate subject area(s) of focus in this Schoolwide Plan.                           | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Reading/Language Arts<br><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Math<br><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other<br>(Specify) <u>MTSS-B, Dropout Prevention, Science, College to Career</u> |
| School Principal Name:   | Erin Blaha  |
| School Principal Email Address:  | erin.blaha@ops.org  |
| School Mailing Address:  | 4845 Curtis Ave.<br>Omaha, NE 68104   |
| School Phone Number:   | 531-299-2180  |
| Additional Authorized Contact Person (Optional):                                     |   |
| Email of Additional Contact Person:  |   |
| Superintendent Name:   | Matthew Ray   |
| Superintendent Email Address:  | matthew.ray@ops.org   |
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| Confirm all Instructional Paras are Highly Qualified according to ESSA.              | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No   |
| The Schoolwide Plan is available to the School, Staff, Parents, and the Public.      | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No   |

| <u>Names of Planning Team</u><br>(include staff, <i>parents</i> & at least <i>one student</i> if <i>Secondary School</i> )   |  | <u>Titles of those on Planning Team</u>  |  |
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| Erin Blaha<br>Chantel Roettger<br>Marcy Martin<br>Miranda Rockwood<br>Taylor Gunter<br>Paige Muhammad<br>Alicia Bergstrom<br>Chloe Douzart<br>Katy Dahl<br>Jenica Miller |  | <u>Parent</u><br><u>Administrator</u><br>Instructional Coach<br>Reading Interventionist<br>Kindergarten<br>1st Grade Teacher<br>2nd Grade Teacher<br>3rd Grade Teacher<br>4th Grade Teacher<br>5th Grade Teacher<br>Parent<br><br>_____<br>_____ |  |

| School Information  |                                       |   |
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| (As of the last Friday in September)  |                                       |   |
| Enrollment: 327   | Average Class Size: 25                | Number of Certified Instruction Staff: 23 |
| Race and Ethnicity Percentages  |                                       |   |
| White: 11 %   | Hispanic: 10.7 %                      | Asian: 14.4 %                             |
| Black/African American: 55. %   | American Indian/Alaskan Native: 0.6 % |   |
| Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander: NA %   |                                       | Two or More Races: 8.3 %                  |
| Other Demographics Percentages (may be found on NEP <a href="https://nep.education.ne.gov/">https://nep.education.ne.gov/</a> ) |                                       |   |
| Poverty: 87.2 %   | English Learner: 21.9 %               | Mobility: 7.5 %                           |

| Assessments used in the Comprehensive Needs Assessment<br>(ie. NSCAS, MAP, ITBS, AIMS web, DIBELS, CAT etc.) |  |
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| <b>NWEA/MAP</b>  |  |
| <b>NSCAS</b>   |  |
| <b>ELPA-21</b>   |  |
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## *Please write a narrative in each box below to correspond to the Rating Rubric.*

*Upload PDF documentation in corresponding folder onto NDE "Landing Page" within Microsoft/SharePoint to support the narrative.*

### **1. Comprehensive Needs Assessment**

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| <b>1.1</b>  | <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 curriculum, instruction and assessment decisions.</i> |
| <p>In order to ensure we have a clear picture of our needs, we used several sources of data. We started with a comprehensive needs assessment tool provided by the Nebraska Department of Education to give us a picture of overarching areas by looking at the tenets. Our climate survey and MTSS-B surveys gave us insight into the social/emotional structures in our building. We analyzed NSCAS and MAP data to look for trends across grade levels, in subgroups and drill down to individual students. This information allowed us to plan for schoolwide areas of focus and professional development, make regular adjustments to classroom instruction, create optimal student groups in the classroom and meet students' individual and collective needs. During our Professional Learning Communities, teachers worked together to analyze student work and plan next steps in response to ensure continued growth. This time is also used to analyze district summative assessments to reflect on student learning, ensure mastery and determine any reteaching needs. Teachers are also able to share and refine teaching practices during PLCs, which benefits all students.</p> <p>Documentation in the Folder: 21-22 Data Book, School Improvement Plan, MTSS-B Self Assessment Survey, Winter MAP Data Review</p> |   |
| <b>1.2</b>  | <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>Parent and community input was gathered primarily through the use of an ongoing Parent Voice survey. The survey was available for parents throughout the school year and was posted in our newsletter. It was posted specifically at fall and spring conferences and parents received an invitation to complete the survey. We also invited parents to our Title 1 table at our Back to School Bash. Wakonda is building and continuing to look for ways to make families and community members feel more included and confident about the work we are doing at Wakonda.</p> <p>Documentation in the Folder: Climate Survey located in Data Book, Parent Voice Survey Fall/Spring, Open House Sign-in</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>Using the Comprehensive Needs Assessment from NDE, our NCSAS and MAP data, our Climate Survey and MTSS-B data, we created our School Improvement Plan. As a staff we identified goals and steps we needed to take to get there. Our school leadership team created a calendar of professional development dates and activities to ensure that we would be successful in meeting all of goals set forth. This calendar allowed all staff to see what was planned and the direction we were moving. We were able to adjust dates as topics needed more or less time. As we worked as a staff to learn together, the leadership team provided coaching to teachers to aide in consistent implementation of strategies. Fidelity checks were also used as a tool to monitor implementation and effectiveness of professional development.</p> <p>During the summer, we begin to plan for the next year with regard to the School Improvement process, the strategies we employ for students, and the professional development we want to provide for staff. Wakonda</p>  |   |

staff begin their work 5 days earlier with professional development and the opportunity to share our School Improvement goals.

At Wakonda, the School Improvement Plan and Title 1 Schoolwide Plan development go hand in hand, as the focus on high academic achievement at the core of our plans.

Documentation in the Folder: Classroom walk-through Tool, Wakonda Instructional Rounds, PD Calendar, School Improvement Plan, Wakonda Days PD agenda

## 2. Schoolwide reform strategies

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*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.*

Our students take MAP tests 3 times a year. Teachers use the MAP Continuum to make regular adjustments to classroom instruction, create optimal student groups in the classroom and meet students' individual and collective needs. During our weekly Professional Learning Communities, teachers worked together to analyze student work and plan next steps in response to ensure continued growth. This time was also used to analyze district summative assessments to reflect on student learning, ensure mastery and determine any reteaching needs. Teachers were also able to share and refine teaching practices during PLCs, which benefits all students.

Grades K-3 use daily Phonics Mastery Guide lessons to ensure all students are able to read and decode grade level words.

Teachers use guided reading benchmarks and running records to identify students for Literacy Interventions. Teachers provided intervention instruction in the classroom for 30 minutes a day to a small group of students while all other students work on their own learning path through a digital resource, SuccessMaker, Amira or iRead.

We have also hired a Reading Interventionist that works with students in grades K-3 in addition to their classroom small group reading in order to ensure they are reading on grade level by third grade.

Students who are identified at risk are referred to the Student Assistance Team (SAT) and are placed in the SAT process to identify further interventions to support student needs

Specialist teachers work with students at each grade level during open plan times to practice math fact fluency.

Wakonda also partners with Mentor Nebraska to provide mentoring for students at risk missing more than 5 days at school.

Documentation in Folder: Specials Schedule, Reading Intervention Schedule, Winter MAP Data Review, SAT Flow Chart, SAT Nominations, ELA/Math Interventions, Mentor Nebraska

## 3. High quality and ongoing professional development

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*Please provide a narrative below describing the professional development and other activities provided to improve instructional effectiveness and use of academic data to guide instruction. Provide supporting documentation in the corresponding folder.*

At Wakonda, paraprofessionals receive additional training in the areas of math, reading and behavior support.

Wakonda staff spends five full days learning together before the school year officially begins. We call them, "Wakonda Days" We focused on ongoing Literacy professional development and building relationships this year. The staff also participates in professional development provided by Omaha Public Schools district staff that is specific to teachers, paras, security, etc. Throughout the school year, professional development is aligned to the school improvement goals created by the staff. The staff meets bi-weekly as a whole group for professional development. Professional Learning Communities (which are grade level based) meet weekly to examine student assessments and lesson plan or discuss teaching practices to address student needs or gain more grade level specific professional development.

Documentation in the Folder: School PD calendar, Staff Roster, Wakonda Days Professional Development

#### 4. Strategies to increase parent and family engagement

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| <b>4.1</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>The School-Parent Compact was reviewed at a Parent Teacher Organization meeting to determine any changes or edits that should be made. We distribute the compact at the beginning of the year in our Student Handbook. The School-Parent compact is an ongoing partnership for student achievement.</p> <p>Documentation in Folder: Wakonda School Handbook</p>  |   |
| <b>4.2</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 Title I Parent and Family Engagement Policy was reviewed at a Parent Teacher Organization meeting to determine any changes or edits that should be made. We distribute the policy at the beginning of the year in our Student Handbook and at the PTO meeting. We also distribute a year long calendar of Family Events so parents can get them on their calendars early. Several times throughout the year, families have the opportunity to connect with the school through various engagement activities. Regular communication is given to families through newsletters and social media.</p> <p>Documentation in Folder: Wakonda Student Handbook, Family Engagement Calendar, Combined district Engagement Policy, Family Engagement Flyer Example, Newsletter Example</p> |   |
| <b>4.3</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 annual Title I parent meeting was held during a PTO meeting to inform parents of Wakonda's participation in Title I. Additional information is shared throughout the year through Wakonda's monthly newsletter.</p> <p>Documentation in Folder: PTO Meeting agenda, Title 1 Overview</p>   |   |

#### 5. Transition Plan

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| <b>5.1</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).</i> |
| <p>Students entering Kindergarten from Early Childhood attend a Kindergarten Round-Up with their parents in January to register and visit the classroom. In May, they visit each Kindergarten classroom for 45 minutes to experience several subjects and meet each potential teacher during "fly up" day. Each student in grades Pre-K through 4 participates in "fly up" day. Students who qualify can also participate in Kindergarten jumpstart</p> |   |

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| through the district provided Next Level Learning in the summer. At the beginning of the year, Wakonda hosts a Back to School bash for students and families to meet their teacher and become familiar with Wakonda. Documentation in Folder: Kindergarten Round-Up Invite, Kdg. Readiness Skills, A Day in the Life of Wakonda Kindergarteners  |  |
| <b>5.2</b>   | <i>Please provide a narrative below describing the school's transition plan for outgoing students as they move onto 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).</i> |
| Fifth graders submit middle school applications in January. We schedule a visit from a guest speaker panel of middle schoolers to answer our students' questions about middle school in March. Once students have been assigned to a middle school, the guidance counselors from their school come to Wakonda to meet them and help them register. They begin middle school transition lessons with the guidance counselor at the beginning of April where they research activities they can be involved in, how to read the bell schedule, using a combination lock, organization for moving from class to class, and several other topics. In June, students may attend summer school at their middle school to get acclimated to the building and the middle school environment.<br>Documentation in Folder: Middle School Welcome Camp |  |

## 6. Strategies to address areas of need

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| <b>6.1</b>  | <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.</i> |
| The Wakonda school day schedule has an additional 30 minutes of time. The schedule is designed to minimize transitions and maximize instructional time and coherence with grade-levels. Additional time is provided for interventions in reading and math. Paraprofessionals and resource supports are strategically scheduled so students get multiple opportunities to learn. Wakonda is also fortunate to partner with Kids Can as an after school service provider and many students have the opportunity to participate in STEAM programming and other extended learning opportunities outside of the scheduled school day. Wakonda also offers summer school to students through the month of June. District provided summer school, referred to as Next Level Learning, is focused on literacy and math instruction to meet the needs of students.<br>Documentation in Folder: Master Schedule with Reading Intervention Schedule, KidsCan After School Program, Next Level Learning |  |

## 7. Optional: Consolidation OR Coordination and Integration of Federal, State or local Funds

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| <b>7.1</b>  | <i>Please provide a narrative below describing the option to Consolidate available Federal, State, and local funds in order to upgrade the entire educational program of a school; OR describe coordination and integration of funds to meet student needs and support student achievement. Supporting documentation may also be placed in the corresponding folder. (If you choose not to consolidate, N/A is acceptable.)</i> |
| Wakonda's 2022-23 Title I Budget is \$. This budget is used for staffing, parental involvement opportunities, professional development, and professional and technical services. All staff paid from the Title I budget complete a bi-annual time and effort log to account for their time.<br><br>For all spending, Wakonda follows the district's guidelines for NDE allowable expenditures for both general funds and accountability funds. Those documents are included.<br>Documentation in the Folder: Extra Pay Form, Title 1 Allowable Expenses, Semi Annual Time/Effort, Sub Time/Effort |   |

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