

Executive Summary
McNab Elementary
School Broward County Public Schools

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Introduction

Every school has its own story to tell. The context in which teaching and learning takes place influences the processes and procedures by which the school makes decisions around curriculum, instruction, and assessment. The context also impacts the way a school stays faithful to its vision. Many factors contribute to the overall narrative such as an identification of stakeholders, a description of stakeholder engagement, the trends and issues affecting the school, and the kinds of programs and services that a school implements to support student learning. The purpose of the Executive Summary (ES) is to provide a school with an opportunity to describe in narrative form the strengths and challenges it encounters. By doing so, the public and members of the school community will have a more complete picture of how the school perceives itself and the process of self-reflection for continuous improvement. This summary is structured for the school to reflect on how it provides teaching and learning on a day to day basis.

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Description of the School

Describe the school's size, community/communities, location, and changes it has experienced in the last three years. Include demographic information about the students, staff, and community at large. What unique features and challenges are associated with the community/communities the school serves?

McNab Elementary School is a happy neighborhood school serving the community of Pompano Beach. We are in the Pompano Beach/Blanche Ely High School Innovation Zone. McNab was opened in 1958 and new construction of buildings occurred in 2004. McNab is a Title 1 school. Enrollment at McNab is currently at 602 students. McNab serves Pre K through Fifth Grade and just recently added a third class, Specialized Pre Kindergarten.

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School's Purpose

Provide the school's purpose statement and ancillary content such as mission, vision, values, and/or beliefs. Describe how the school embodies its purpose through its program offerings and expectations for students.

Our Mission Statement is to provide all students a quality education within a safe and secure learning environment. McNab has a strong PTA presence and they are at the forefront of fundraising and putting on amazing events for our community. PTA also sells uniforms that comply with our School Unified Dress Policy that was enacted in 2013-14. McNab has an active School Advisory Council who meets monthly to discuss programs, progress, and accountability.

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Notable Achievements and Areas of Improvement

Describe the school's notable achievements and areas of improvement in the last three years. Additionally, describe areas for improvement that the school is striving to achieve in the next three years.

McNab Elementary continues to show tremendous academic growth throughout the school year as evidenced by our ability to perform at an above average level on state assessments. Grade level Professional Learning Communities are scheduled so that grades K-5 and specials have extended planning time of 1 hour biweekly. All grades have common planning. Planning of curriculum, assessments of students, interpretation of data, as well as discussing remediation and enrichment occurs during these meetings. Administration also looks for additional opportunities to provide teachers with release time so that they can plan collaboratively. McNab Elementary has a strong Response to Intervention (RtI) process. Meetings are held to address concerns in the areas of academic achievement as well as behavior. A full multidisciplinary team meets with the teacher and, when possible the parent, to determine necessary interventions to support the needs of the student. Progress is monitored and data is reviewed at a subsequent meeting. One of the newest additions to the Tier 3 intervention strategies is the Leveled Literacy Intervention (LLI) program. LLI assists in improving student reading achievement. Technology has been upgraded with every teacher receiving a new laptop. The number of student laptops has increased as well. McNab now has a two to one ratio of students to computers on average for K-5. Students in K have 4 desktops, 1st grade has 6 student laptops, 2nd - 5th grade has 7 student laptops, and we have an additional 44 laptops that rotate to 4th and 5th grades on a cart. Each classroom is also equipped with a smart board, projector, document camera, and speakers. Wifi access points are located throughout the campus. McNab has a Digital 5 program and this school year implemented a Digital 4 Program, whereby teachers will infuse technology strategies to enhance student learning in the 21st Century.

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Additional Information

Provide any additional information you would like to share with the public and community that were not prompted in the previous sections.

McNab Elementary has a website that can be accessed at mcnab.browardschools.com and has a wealth of current resources and various links throughout. In addition, McNab PTA has a website and Facebook page that keeps everyone updated on PTA events and fundraisers. The website is mcnabpta.com. Also, McNab is very proud for having a strong presence on Twitter. You could find more information by following McNab Elementary @McNabElementary or our Principal @Dorys_Palacio. McNab Elementary believes in providing students with love and support. Our School Counselor operates a program that focuses on positive traits and working together with teams and colleagues. We really focus on getting along with each other, accepting and supporting each other, and preparing for college and career readiness. McNab Elementary began running their own aftercare program in 2014-15. The program is called MASK which stands for McNab's Academy of Successful Kids. The program employs McNab teachers to provide tutoring and homework assistance. The funds generated by this program have benefited our students by being able to make purchases for materials and technology to enhance student achievement