

Self Assessment

Margate Elementary School Broward County School District

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Introduction

AdvancED's Self Assessment (SA) diagnostic is based on the AdvancED Standards of Quality, which serves as the foundation of the accreditation and continuous improvement process. The SA is a valuable tool for collaboratively engaging staff members and stakeholders in purposeful, honest dialogue and reflection to assess the institution's adherence to the Standards, and guide its continuous improvement efforts. The SA includes the institution's self-ratings of and the evidence cited for each of the indicators, comments that explain the indicator's ratings and an overall narrative for each Standard. The results of the SA are reviewed by the External Review Team as one essential component of the preparation process for the institution's External Review.

Standard 1: Purpose and Direction

The school maintains and communicates a purpose and direction that commit to high expectations for learning as well as shared values and beliefs about teaching and learning.

Indicator	Statement or Question	Response	Evidence	Rating
	The school engages in a systematic, inclusive, and comprehensive process to review, revise, and communicate a school purpose for student success.	The school's process for review, revision, and communication of the purpose statement is documented. The process is formalized and implemented on a regular schedule. The process includes participation by representatives from all stakeholder groups. The purpose statement focuses on student success.	Survey results Examples of communications to stakeholders about the school's purpose (i.e. website, newsletters, annual report, student handbook) Communication plan to stakeholders regarding the school's purpose Minutes from meetings related to development of the school's purpose Documentation or description of the process for creating the school's purpose including the role of stakeholders Purpose statements - past and present	Level 3

Indicator	Statement or Question	Response	Evidence	Rating
1.2	commit to a culture that is based on shared values and beliefs about teaching and learning and supports challenging, equitable educational programs and learning experiences for all students that include achievement of learning, thinking, and life skills.	Commitment to shared values and beliefs about teaching and learning is evident in documentation and decision making. This commitment is regularly reflected in communication among leaders and staff. Challenging educational programs and equitable learning experiences are implemented so that all students achieve learning, thinking, and life skills necessary for success. Evidence indicates a commitment to instructional practices that include active student engagement, a focus on depth of understanding, and the application of knowledge and skills. School leadership and staff share high expectations for professional practice.	Agendas and/or minutes that reference a commitment to the components of the school's statement of purpose Survey results The school's statement of purpose	Level 3

Indicator	Statement or Question	Response	Evidence	Rating
1.3	The school's leadership	School leaders implement a	•Survey results	Level 3
	implements a continuous	documented, systematic continuous		
	improvement process that	improvement process for improving	•The school data profile	
	provides clear direction for	student learning and the conditions that	'	
	improving conditions that support student learning.	support learning. All stakeholder groups	 Agenda, minutes from 	
		are engaged in the process. School	continuous improvement	
		personnel maintain a profile with current	planning meetings	
		and comprehensive data on student and		
		school performance. The profile contains	•Communication plan and	
		analyses of data used to identify goals	artifacts that show two-	
		for the improvement of achievement and	way communication to	
		instruction that are aligned with the	staff and stakeholders	
		school's purpose. Improvement goals		
		have measurable performance targets.	•The school continuous	
		The process includes action planning	improvement plan	
		that identifies measurable objectives,		
		strategies, activities, resources, and		
		timelines for achieving improvement goals. School leaders hold all school personnel accountable for and evaluate		
		the overall quality of the implementation		
		of all interventions and strategies. The		
		process is reviewed and evaluated.		
		Documentation that the process yields		
		improved student achievement and		
		instruction is available and		
		communicated to stakeholders.		

Our school has a clear purpose and direction for continuous improvement. We have set the schedule, procedure and processes. Although, we continually make improvements from year to year it is unclear that we have established mastery and that our process is systemic and embedded in all stakeholders. There are still pockets that need development and direction regarding our school wide purpose.

Standard 2: Governance and Leadership

The school operates under governance and leadership that promote and support student performance and school effectiveness.

Indicator	Statement or Question	Response	Evidence	Rating
2.1	The governing body establishes policies and supports practices	Policies and practices support the school's purpose and direction and the	•Student handbooks	Level 3
	that ensure effective ladministration of the school.	effective operation of the school. Policies and practices promote effective	•Staff handbooks	
		instruction and assessment that produce equitable and challenging learning	•School handbooks	
		experiences for all students. There are policies and practices regarding		
		professional growth of all staff. Policies		
		and practices provide requirements, direction for, and oversight of fiscal		
		management.		

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2.2	The governing body operates responsibly and functions effectively.	The governing body has a process to ensure that its decisions and actions are in accordance with defined roles and responsibilities, a code of ethics, and free of conflict of interest. Governing body members participate in a systematic, formal professional development process regarding the roles and responsibilities of the governing body and its individual members. The governing body complies with all policies, procedures, laws, and regulations and functions as a cohesive unit.	Governing body minutes relating to training Communication plan to inform all staff on code of ethics, responsibilities, conflict of interest Assurances, certifications Findings of internal and external reviews of compliance with laws, regulations, and policies Governing code of ethics	Level 3

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2.3	the school leadership has the autonomy to meet goals for achievement and instruction and	The governing body consistently protects, supports, and respects the autonomy of school leadership to accomplish goals for achievement and instruction and to manage day-to-day operations of the school. The governing body maintains a clear distinction between its roles and responsibilities and those of school leadership.	Roles and responsibilities of school leadership School improvement plan developed by the school Stakeholder input and feedback Communications regarding board actions	Level 4

Indicator	Statement or Question	Response	Evidence	Rating
2.4	Leadership and staff foster a culture consistent with the school's purpose and direction.	Leaders and staff align their decisions and actions toward continuous improvement to achieve the school's	•Examples of collaboration and shared leadership	Level 3
		purpose. They expect all students to be held to high standards in all courses of study. All leaders and staff are collectively accountable for student	•Examples of decisions aligned with the school's statement of purpose	
		learning. Śchool leaders support innovation, collaboration, shared leadership, and professional growth. The culture is characterized by collaboration	•Examples of decisions in support of the school's continuous improvement plan	
		and a sense of community.	F.S.	

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2.5	effectively in support of the school's purpose and direction.	Leaders communicate effectively with appropriate and varied representatives from stakeholder groups, provide opportunities for stakeholders to shape decisions, solicit feedback and respond to stakeholders, work collaboratively on school improvement efforts, and provide and support meaningful leadership roles for stakeholders. School leaders' efforts result in measurable, active stakeholder participation; engagement in the school; a sense of community; and ownership.	Minutes from meetings with stakeholders Copies of surveys or screen shots from online surveys Involvement of stakeholders in a school improvement plan Communication plan	Level 3

Indicator	Statement or Question	Response	Evidence	Rating
2.6	Leadership and staff supervision and evaluation processes result in improved professional practice and student success.		Examples of professional development offerings and plans tied specifically to the results from supervision and evaluation Supervision and evaluation documents with criteria for improving professional practice and student success noted	Level 3

Our school is given the autonomy to make school based decisions and the ability to reach out to all stakeholders to improve our practices. Our leadership team is instrumental in helping to solicit faculty, staff and community input regarding our policies, procedures and action steps aimed at improving educational practices and student achievement. We need to continually work on ways to solicit feedback and input from those stakeholders that are difficult to reach. This is one area that we are attempting to rectify through parent-teacher conference surveys, school-wide surveys, suggestion boxes and measure up surveys.

Standard 3: Teaching and Assessing for Learning

The school's curriculum, instructional design, and assessment practices guide and ensure teacher effectiveness and student learning.

Indicator	Statement or Question	Response	Evidence	Rating
3.1	The school's curriculum provides equitable and challenging learning experiences that ensure all students have sufficient opportunities to develop learning, thinking, and life skills that lead to success at the next level.	Curriculum and learning experiences in each course/class provide all students with challenging and equitable opportunities to develop learning skills, thinking skills, and life skills. There is some evidence to indicate curriculum and learning experiences prepare students for success at the next level. Like courses/classes have equivalent learning expectations. Some learning activities are individualized for each student in a way that supports achievement of expectations.	Posted learning objectives Representative samples of student work across courses Course schedules Course descriptions Descriptions of instructional techniques	Level 3

Indicator	Statement or Question	Response	Evidence	Rating
3.2	Curriculum, instruction, and assessment are monitored and adjusted systematically in response to data from multiple assessments of student learning and an examination of professional practice.	Using data from student assessments and an examination of professional practice, school personnel monitor and adjust curriculum, instruction, and assessment to ensure vertical and horizontal alignment and alignment with the school's goals for achievement and instruction and statement of purpose. There is a process in place to ensure alignment each time curriculum, instruction, and/or assessments are reviewed or revised. The continuous improvement process ensures that vertical and horizontal alignment as well as alignment with the school's purpose are maintained and enhanced in curriculum, instruction, and assessment.	Curriculum guides Common assessments Standards-based report cards Curriculum writing process Products – scope and sequence, curriculum maps Lesson plans aligned to the curriculum	Level 3

Indicator	Statement or Question	Response	Evidence	Rating
3.3	Teachers engage students in their learning through instructional strategies that ensure achievement of learning expectations.	Teachers plan and use instructional strategies that require student collaboration, self-reflection, and development of critical thinking skills. Teachers personalize instructional strategies and interventions to address individual learning needs of students when necessary. Teachers use instructional strategies that require students to apply knowledge and skills, integrate content and skills with other disciplines, and use technologies as instructional resources and learning tools.	Agenda items addressing these strategies Student work demonstrating the application of knowledge Interdisciplinary projects	Level 3

Indicator	Statement or Question	Response	Evidence	Rating
3.4	School leaders monitor and support the improvement of instructional practices of teachers to ensure student success.	School leaders formally and consistently monitor instructional practices through supervision and evaluation procedures to ensure that they 1) are aligned with the school's values and beliefs about teaching and learning, 2) are teaching the approved curriculum, 3) are directly engaged with all students in the oversight of their learning, and 4) use content-specific standards of professional practice.	Curriculum maps Documentation of collection of lesson plans and grade books Supervision and evaluation procedures Peer or mentoring opportunities and interactions Administrative classroom observation protocols and logs	Level 3

Indicator	Statement or Question	Response	Evidence	Rating
3.5	Teachers participate in collaborative learning communities to improve instruction and student learning.	All members of the school staff participate in collaborative learning communities that meet both informally and formally. Collaboration often occurs across grade levels and content areas. Staff members have been trained to implement a formal process that promotes discussion about student learning. Learning from, using, and discussing the results of inquiry practices such as action research, the examination of student work, reflection, study teams, and peer coaching occur regularly among most school personnel. School personnel indicate that collaboration causes improvement results in instructional practice and student performance.	Examples of cross curricular projects, interdisciplinary instruction, and classroom action research project Common language, protocols and reporting tools Agendas and minutes of collaborative learning committees Calendar/schedule of learning community meetings	Level 3

Indicator	Statement or Question	Response	Evidence	Rating
3.6	Teachers implement the school's instructional process in support of student learning.	expectations and standards of performance. Exemplars are often provided to guide and inform students. The process includes multiple measures,	Examples of learning expectations and standards of performance Examples of assessments that prompted modification in instruction	Level 3

Indicator	Statement or Question	Response	Evidence	Rating
3.7	Mentoring, coaching, and induction programs support instructional improvement consistent with the school's values and beliefs about teaching and learning.	All school personnel are engaged in systematic mentoring, coaching, and induction programs that are consistent with the school's values and beliefs about teaching, learning, and the conditions that support learning. These programs set high expectations for all school personnel and include valid and reliable measures of performance.	Professional learning calendar with activities for instructional support of new staff Descriptions and schedules of mentoring, coaching, and induction programs with references to school beliefs and values about teaching and learning	Level 4

Indicator	Statement or Question	Response	Evidence	Rating
3.8	The school engages families in meaningful ways in their children's education and keeps them informed of their children's learning progress.	Programs that engage families in meaningful ways in their children's education are designed, implemented, and evaluated. Families have multiple ways of staying informed of their children's learning progress.	List of varied activities and communications modes with families, e.g., info portal, online, newsletters, parent centers, academic nights, open house, early release days Calendar outlining when and how families are provided information on child's progress	Level 4

Indicator	Statement or Question	Response	Evidence	Rating
3.9	known by at least one adult advocate in the school who supports that student's educational experience.	School personnel participate in a structure that gives them long-term interaction with individual students, allowing them to build strong relationships over time with the student. All students may participate in the structure. The structure allows the school employee to gain insight into and serve as an advocate for the student's needs regarding learning skills, thinking skills, and life skills.	•List of students matched to adult advocate	Level 3

Indicator	Statement or Question	Response	Evidence	Rating
3.10	Grading and reporting are based on clearly defined criteria that represent the attainment of content knowledge and skills and are consistent across grade levels and courses.		Sample communications to stakeholders about grading and reporting Policies, processes, and procedures on grading and reporting Policies, processes, and procedures on grading and reporting	Level 3

Indicator	Statement or Question	Response	Evidence	Rating
3.11	All staff members participate in a continuous program of professional learning.	All staff members participate in a continuous program of professional learning that is aligned with the school's purpose and direction. Professional development is based on an assessment of needs of the school. The program builds capacity among all professional and support staff. The program is systematically evaluated for effectiveness in improving instruction, student learning, and the conditions that support learning.	Brief explanation of alignment between professional learning and identified needs Crosswalk between professional learning and school purpose and direction	Level 3

Indicator	Statement or Question	Response	Evidence	Rating
3.12	The school provides and coordinates learning support services to meet the unique learning needs of students.	School personnel use data to identify unique learning needs of all students at all levels of proficiency as well as other learning needs (such as second languages). School personnel stay current on research related to unique characteristics of learning (such as learning styles, multiple intelligences, personality type indicators) and provide or coordinate related learning support services to all students.	List of learning support services and student population served by such services Data used to identify unique learning needs of students	Level 3

Our school has an extensive data monitoring process for weekly, monthly and quarterly data team review sessions based on the standards. The areas of improvement noted in our self-assessment reflect the new and continually changing LAFS and MAFS standards along with the new Florida Standards Assessment (FSA). Our school is working diligently to keep up with the pace of the new standards and the increase levels of complexity required for our performance tasks.

Standard 4: Resources and Support Systems

The school has resources and provides services that support its purpose and direction to ensure success for all students.

Indicator	Statement or Question	Response	Evidence	Rating
4.1	Qualified professional and support staff are sufficient in number to fulfill their roles and responsibilities necessary to support the school's purpose, direction, and the educational program.	Clearly defined policies, processes, and procedures ensure that school leaders have access to, hire, place, and retain qualified professional and support staff. School leaders use a formal, systematic process to determine the number of	School budgets for the last three years Assessments of staffing needs Documentation of highly	Level 4

Indicator	Statement or Question	Response	Evidence	Rating
4.2	Instructional time, material resources, and fiscal resources are sufficient to support the purpose and direction of the school.	Instructional time, material resources, and fiscal resources are focused on supporting the purpose and direction of the school. Instructional time is protected in policy and practice. School leaders work to secure material and fiscal resources to meet the needs of all students. School leaders demonstrate that instructional time, material resources, and fiscal resources are allocated so that all students have equitable opportunities to attain challenging learning expectations. Efforts toward the continuous improvement of instruction and operations include achieving the school's purpose and direction.	direction •School calendar	Level 3

Indicator	Statement or Question	Response	Evidence	Rating
4.3	The school maintains facilities, services, and equipment to provide a safe, clean, and healthy environment for all students and staff.	School leaders have adopted or created clear expectations for maintaining safety, cleanliness, and a healthy environment and have shared these definitions and expectations with stakeholders. School personnel and students are accountable for maintaining these expectations. Measures are in place that allow for continuous tracking of these conditions. Improvement plans are developed and implemented by appropriate personnel as necessary to improve these conditions. Results of improvement efforts are evaluated.	of equipment •Documentation of compliance with local and	Level 3

Indicator	Statement or Question	Response	Evidence	Rating
4.4	Students and school personnel use a range of media and information resources to support the school's educational programs.	Students and school personnel have access to media and information resources necessary to achieve the educational programs of the school. Qualified personnel are available to assist students and school personnel in learning about the tools and locations for finding and retrieving information.	Budget related to media and information resource acquisition Schedule of staff availability to assist students and school personnel related to finding and retrieving information	Level 3

Indicator	Statement or Question	Response	Evidence	Rating
4.5	learning, and operational needs.	teaching, learning, and operational	technology use	Level 3

Indicator	Statement or Question	Response	Evidence	Rating
4.6	The school provides support services to meet the physical, social, and emotional needs of the student population being served.	program effectiveness are in place, and	Agreements with school community agencies for student-family support Social classes and services, e.g., bullying, character education List of support services available to students	Level 4

Indicator	Statement or Question	Response	Evidence	Rating
	support the counseling, assessment, referral, educational, and career planning needs of all students.	School personnel implement a process to determine the counseling, assessment, referral, educational, and career planning needs of all students. School personnel provide or coordinate programs necessary to meet the needs of students whenever possible. Measures of program effectiveness are in place, and school personnel use the data from these measures to evaluate all programs. Improvement plans related to these programs are designed and implemented when needed to more effectively meet the needs of students.	Budget for counseling, assessment, referral, educational and career planning Description of IEP process Description of referral process	Level 3

Our school is equipped with a myriad of resources designed to support our mission, vision and purpose. Clear and careful consideration is

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given to the purchasing and securing of all resources to ensure that they are assisting in the development of our vision. Even though we have made progress in acquiring additional technology we still have a way to go to meet the needs of our growing population.

Standard 5: Using Results for Continuous Improvement

The school implements a comprehensive assessment system that generates a range of data about student learning and school effectiveness and uses the results to guide continuous improvement.

Indicator	Statement or Question	Response	Evidence	Rating
5.1	The school establishes and maintains a clearly defined and comprehensive student assessment system.	School personnel maintain and use an assessment system that produces data from multiple assessment measures, including locally developed and standardized assessments about student learning and school performance. The system ensures consistent measurement across classrooms and courses. Most assessments, especially those related to student learning, are proven reliable and bias free. The system is regularly evaluated for reliability and effectiveness in improving instruction, student learning, and the conditions that support learning.		Level 3

Indicator	Statement or Question	Response	Evidence	Rating
5.2	apply learning from a range of data sources, including	Systematic processes and procedures for collecting, analyzing, and applying learning from multiple data sources are used consistently by professional and support staff. Data sources include comparison and trend data that provide a complete picture of student learning, instruction, the effectiveness of programs, and the conditions that support learning. School personnel use data to design, implement, and evaluate continuous improvement plans to improve student learning, instruction, the effectiveness of programs, and organizational conditions.	Examples of use of data to design, implement, and evaluate continuous improvement plans and apply learning List of data sources related to student learning, instruction, program effectiveness, and conditions that support learning	Level 3

Indicator	Statement or Question	Response	Evidence	Rating
5.3	interpretation, and use of data.	All professional and support staff members are assessed and trained in a rigorous professional development program related to the evaluation, interpretation, and use of data.	Policies specific to data training Professional learning schedule specific to the use of data Documentation of attendance and training related to data use	Level 3

Indicator	Statement or Question	Response	Evidence	Rating
5.4	The school engages in a continuous process to determine verifiable improvement in student learning, including readiness for and success at the next level.	Policies and procedures describe a process for analyzing data that determine verifiable improvement in student learning, including readiness for and success at the next level. Results indicate improvement, and school personnel consistently use these results to design, implement, and evaluate the results of continuous improvement action plans related to student learning, including readiness for and success at the next level.	Description of process for analyzing data to determine verifiable improvement in student learning Evidence of student growth	Level 3

Indicator	Statement or Question	Response	Evidence	Rating
5.5	Leadership monitors and communicates comprehensive information about student learning, conditions that support student learning, and the achievement of school improvement goals to stakeholders.	Leaders monitor comprehensive information about student learning, conditions that support student learning, and the achievement of school improvement goals. Leaders regularly communicate results using multiple delivery methods to all stakeholder groups.	Minutes of board meetings regarding achievement of student learning goals Communication plan regarding student learning, conditions that support learning, and achievement of school improvement goals to stakeholders Sample communications to stakeholders regarding student learning, conditions that support learning, and achievement of school improvement goals	Level 3

Our school is fully engaged in the practice of continuos improvement. Regular and frequent meetings are help through the data teams process to review, analyze and dissect data results. Changes are made and instructional action plans are created. Our staff is reflected in nature and programs are continually evaluated foe the effectiveness. We must continually make improvements in ensuring that all stakeholders are aware of our results and that all members of our community engage in such actions.

Report Summary

Scores By Section

