

KIPP ATLANTA SCHOOLS

School Performance Committee Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, March 12, 2025

This meeting location:

KIPP STRIVE Campus - 1448 Lucile Ave SW, Atlanta, GA 30310

Committee Members Present: Salim Bhatia, JaKathryn Ross, Rachel McCarthy, David Jernigan, Deborah Sudbury

Honorary Committee Members Present: None

Committee Members Absent: Sidney Childress

KIPP Atlanta Schools Staff Present: Jamaul Thomas, Kyla Byas-Smith, Joseph Grainger, James Payne, Yolanda Weems, Arlita Lee

Guests Present: Kate Starke

Welcome

- Jamaul Thomas called the meeting to order at 9:04 AM. and named that the structure of the meeting would be the review the Middle of Year academic performance data specifically around projections paired with classroom observations to see in real time the maximization strategy.
- Introduced Heads of School, Senior Head of Academics, and Kate Starke.

2. School Improvement

- **Observations:** Real-time assessment of scholar performance and instructional needs.
- **Vulnerability in Instruction:** Using open conversations to identify and address support needs.

3. KIPP Foundation Restructuring

- Structural shifts to better support regions.
- Focus on student outcomes with anchor metrics: early literacy, state assessments, ACT, 9th-grade GPA, and estimated college completion.

4. KIPP Foundation Learnings

- Process simplification for impact in 6-8 weeks.
- Real-time coaching driving student achievement.

5. Student Outcomes & Academic Status

- Adjusting instruction based on BOY, MOY, and EOY assessments.
- Spring MAP assessment in two weeks for tracking progress.

6. CCRPI Projection

- Key focus on ELA, Math, Science, and Social Studies.
- Goal: 30% Developing, 30% Proficient.

7. Scholar Projections & Literacy Progress

- Winter MAP shows 8th grade meeting 30-60% target.
- Writing proficiency remains a barrier to literacy.

8. Writing & Math Data

- **Write Score Data:** Higher comprehension linked to writing instruction.
- **Math Performance:** 4th & 6th grades at 61% Developing or above; 3rd grade leading in Proficient/Distinguished.

9. Assessments & Data Projections

- SWCC bi-weekly assessments align with Georgia Milestones (85% reliability).
- CCRPI calculations discussed at One Promise retreat.

10. CSI Schools & Scholar Support

- Target: 45 in Content Mastery score.
- Intervention structures for "cusp scholars" and lower achievers.

11. Data-Driven Interventions

- Weekly school follow-ups for intervention sustainability.
- Strengthening support teams with tutors and specialists.

12. Projection Validity & Standards Impact

- MAP aligns strongly with state assessments.
- New math standards influencing projections, with updated studies expected by 2026.

13. Curriculum & Proficiency Goals

- Addressing literacy gaps and ensuring curriculum alignment.
- Reducing assessment time to maximize instruction.

14. Classroom Focus

- Observing scholar engagement and instructional impact.
- Adjusting schedules for deeper data discussions.

15. Meeting Adjourned

- The meeting concluded after the last in-class observation at 11:08 am

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