

# Ralph J. Bunche Middle School



**GO TEAM MEETING #1**

**SEPTEMBER 10, 2024**

**6:00 PM**

# TOPICS

School Strategic Plan

Strategic Plan & Priorities Review

SMART Goals

Data Discussion

Spring MAPS

GMAS

School Uniform Discussion

Principal's Report

Current Enrollment & Leveling

Information about our school





**2021-2025  
STRATEGIC PLAN**

**Mission: Through rigorous learning experiences, and a challenging international educational program, RJBMS will develop 21<sup>st</sup> century lifelong learners who are competent, caring and contributing members of a global society prepared for high school and beyond.**

**Vision: Our vision at RJBMS is to enhance and support the development of all stakeholders and provide an educational and professional experience that will increase their love of learning and professional**

**SMART Goals**

To increase the number of full academic year students scoring proficient or above on the 2025 ELA GMAS by 5% (from 18.5% to 23.5%) from the 2024 GMAS

To increase the number of full academic year students scoring proficient or above on the 2025 math GMAS by 5% from the 2024 GMAS

To increase ADA by at least 5% (from 89.6% to 95%) by Spring 2025

**APS Strategic Priorities & Initiatives**

**Fostering Academic Excellence for All**

Data  
Curriculum & Instruction  
Signature Program

**Building a Culture of Student Support**

Whole Child & Intervention  
Personalized Learning

**Equipping & Empowering Leaders & Staff**

Strategic Staff Support  
Equitable Resource Allocation

**Creating a System of School Support**

Strategic Staff Support  
Equitable Resource Allocation

**School Strategic Priorities**

1. Recruit, train and retain effective teaching staff and recruit high quality staff.
2. Increase student growth in reading and math
3. Implementation of the IB curriculum
4. Implement social and emotional learning programs to develop strong school stakeholders
5. Implement professional learning, and resources for staff
6. Implement incentives, wellness strategies and resources for staff

**School Strategies**

1. Use a balanced system of assessments to include diagnostic, formative and summative to monitor learning and guide instruction
2. Identify teachers with the highest growth to pair with students with the greatest need
3. Build teacher instructional capacity through ongoing professional learning that provides time and resources for teachers to grow in the content knowledge, pedagogy, increasing rigor, inquiry based instruction, fully implement the IB MYP Framework, and implement weekly PLCs led by instructional coaches, PLC leads and administrators
4. Implement an advisory program and daily advisement courses to incorporate SEL, student surveys, restorative practices, trauma informed strategies and check and connect
5. Increase student support with small groups led by counselors, social worker, behavior specialist, and SSDS
6. Provide professional learning and support for all teachers, and mentors for new teachers
7. Provide the structure, support and opportunities to build the instructional capacity of staff
8. Incorporate programs to include emotional, financial, physical support, fitness challenges and incentives

# Strategic Plan Priority Ranking

## *School Strategic Priorities*

Higher



Lower

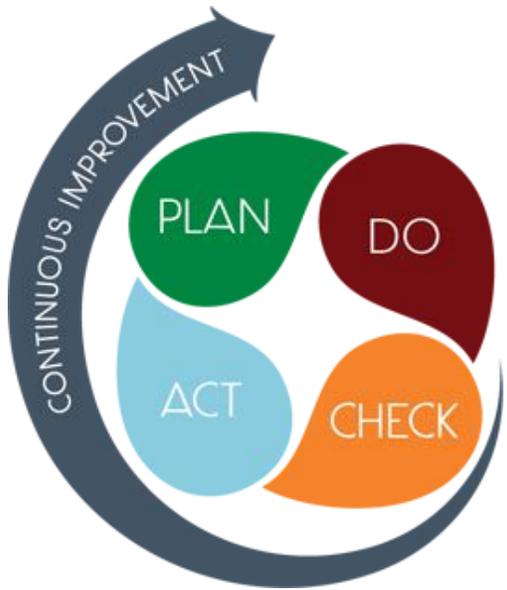
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5. Implement wellness strategies and resources for staff.

6. Implement Advanced Via Individual Determination Program to individual course determination based on student readiness.

# CONNECTING THE STRATEGIC PLAN & CONTINUOUS IMPROVEMENT PLAN



Strategic Plan Priority	CIP SMART Goal	Key Indicator
Increase student growth in literacy	To increase the number of full academic year students scoring proficient or above on the 2025 ELA GMAS by 5% (from 18.5% to 23.5%) from the 2024 GMAS	Growth will be measured by MAP, Amplify unit assessments, exit tickets, iReady data reports; walkthrough data (lesson plan implementation and personalized learning)
Increase student growth in numeracy	To increase the number of full academic year students scoring proficient or above on the 2025 math GMAS by 5% from the 2024 GMAS	Growth will be measured by MAP, Amplify unit assessments, exit tickets, and iReady data reports, walkthrough data (lesson plan implementation and personalized learning)
Implement social and emotional learning programs to develop strong school stakeholders	To increase ADA by at least 5% (from 89.6% to 95%) by Spring 2025	Monitoring via Infinite Campus and APS Graphs to identify students who are at risk of missing 2 days of school monthly



**DATA  
DISCUSSION**

# SPRING MAP RESULTS

**Achievement Sort**  
Proficient & Above

**Window**  
(Multiple values)

**Exam**  
(All)

**Associate Superintendent**  
(All)

**Cluster**  
(All)

**Tested Grade**  
(All)

**School**  
Bunche

**SWD**  
(All)

**Gifted**  
(All)

**EL Status**  
(All)

**Ethnicity**  
(All)

**Gender**  
(All)

**Test Language**  
English

**Tier**  
(All)

**Dual Language Immersion**  
(All)

**Enrollment Interruption (Fall to Spr)**  
(All)

**Achievement Level Gammas**

- Distinguished
- Proficient
- Developing
- Beginning

### MAP Growth Achievement Level Predictions by School

Georgia Milestones Achievement Level Predictions are only made for Grades 2-8  
(\*Reading tests taken in Spanish are not given a GAMAS Achievement Level)  
\*click in a school or district row to see grade level performance if there are above 10 students per grade\*

Data updates nightly during test window.



School	Window	Exams	Achievement Levels			
DISTRICT	Fall 2023-2024	35,879	36%	32%	22%	10%
	Winter 2023-2024	36,096	37%	31%	21%	10%
	Spring 2023-2024	36,564	39%	30%	21%	11%
Bunche	Fall 2023-2024	1,354	47%	36%	14%	1%
	Winter 2023-2024	1,338	52%	33%	13%	1%
	Spring 2023-2024	1,356	54%	31%	12%	1%

Bunche= proficient and above

Fall 16%  
 Winter 15%  
**Spring 15%**

APS = 32% proficient and above

# SPRING MAP RESULTS MS COMPARISON

School	Window	Exams	13%	23%	36%	29%
Howard	Fall 2023-2024	2,022	13%	23%	36%	29%
	Winter 2023-2024	1,972	13%	24%	32%	30%
	Spring 2023-2024	2,019	16%	22%	31%	31%
Sutton	Fall 2023-2024	3,013	20%	34%	31%	14%
	Winter 2023-2024	3,017	24%	33%	29%	14%
	Spring 2023-2024	3,050	27%	31%	27%	15%
King	Fall 2023-2024	1,535	43%	34%	17%	6%
	Winter 2023-2024	1,522	44%	33%	17%	6%
	Spring 2023-2024	1,568	46%	30%	17%	7%
Young	Fall 2023-2024	1,272	50%	35%	14%	
	Winter 2023-2024	1,241	52%	32%	13%	
	Spring 2023-2024	1,227	53%	31%	13%	
Bunche	Fall 2023-2024	1,354	47%	36%	14%	
	Winter 2023-2024	1,338	52%	33%	13%	
	Spring 2023-2024	1,356	54%	31%	12%	
Long	Fall 2023-2024	1,155	53%	36%	10%	
	Winter 2023-2024	1,181	58%	32%	10%	
	Spring 2023-2024	1,195	59%	29%	11%	
H Russell	Fall 2023-2024	674	55%	34%	9%	
	Winter 2023-2024	666	58%	33%	9%	
	Spring 2023-2024	657	58%	31%	9%	
Invictus	Fall 2023-2024	1,335	59%	33%	7%	
	Winter 2023-2024	1,357	66%	27%	7%	
	Spring 2023-2024	1,355	66%	26%	7%	

Howard 62%  
 Sutton= 42%  
 King MS= 24%  
 Young MS= 16%  
 Bunche MS=15%  
 Long MS= 12%  
 Russell MS= 11%  
 Invictus= 8%

# GMAS RESULTS

School Year  Achievement Level Breakdown: Bunche

Comparison Group

subject

Grade

Separate Grades

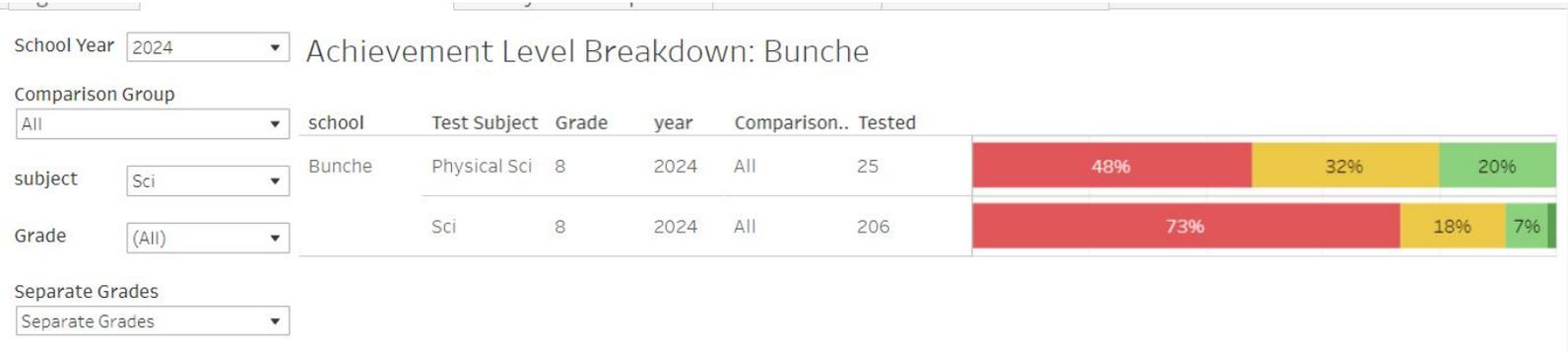
school	Test Subject	Grade	year	Comparison..	Tested			
Bunche	ELA	6	2024	All	229	54%	27%	18%
		7	2024	All	245	50%	28%	21%
		8	2024	All	236	45%	37%	15%

Distinguished/Proficient Learners

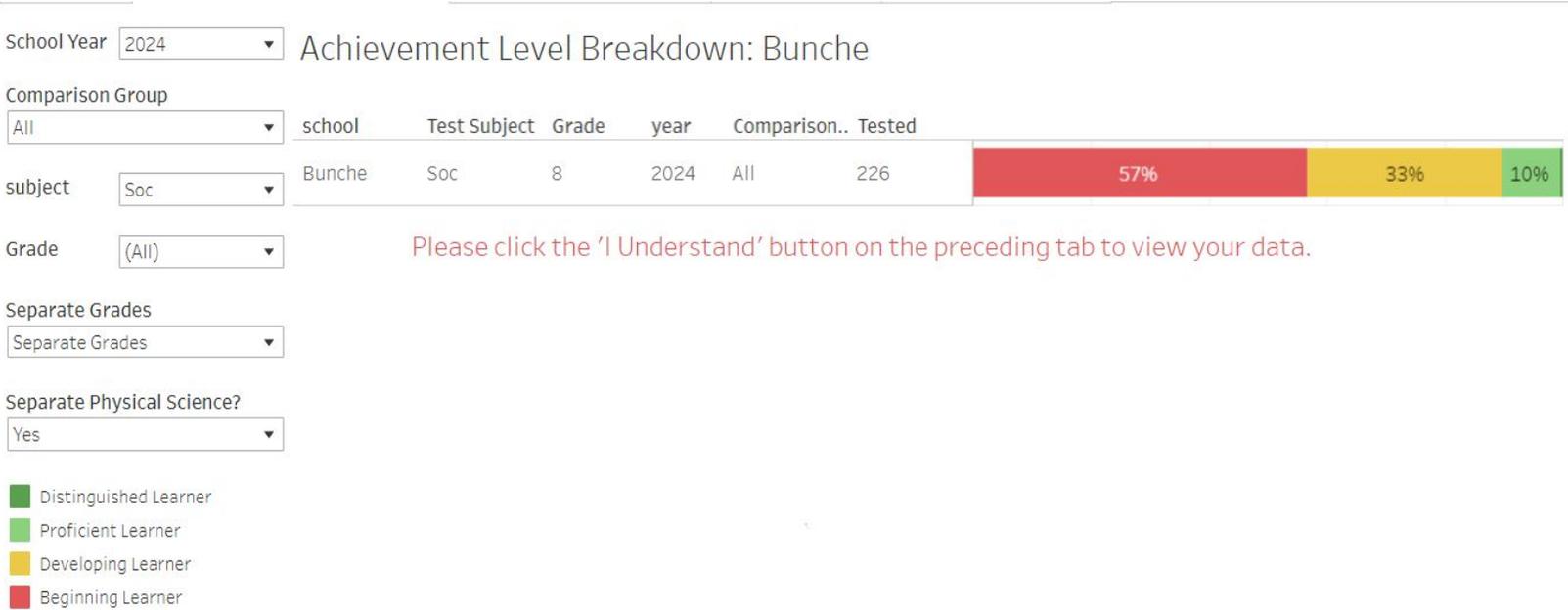
- 6<sup>th</sup> grade 19%
- 7<sup>th</sup> grade 22%
- 8<sup>th</sup> grade 18%

# GMAS RESULTS

Distinguished/Proficient  
Learners  
HS credit 20%  
8<sup>th</sup> grade 10%



Distinguished/Proficient Learners  
8<sup>th</sup> grade 10%



# GLOWS & GROWS

## GLOWS

- Maintaining growth in literacy and numeracy in MAP data
- Demonstrated growth for SWD data
- Professional learning on SDI

## GROWS

- Opportunities to increase growth for gifted and SWD students
- Increase rigor in Individuals and Societies classes



# IMPACT

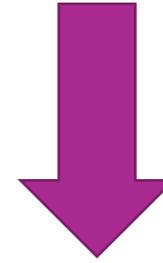
ARE WE ON TARGET TO  
SUCCESSFULLY ACCOMPLISH  
OUR PRIORITIES?

# GO TEAM DISCUSSION: DATA PROTOCOL

- What do you notice?
- What are your wonderings?
- What additional questions do you have?

# Timeline for GO Teams

You are **HERE**



1

Fall 2021

GO Team Developed  
2021-2025 Strategic Plan

2

Summer

School Leadership  
completed Needs  
Assessment and defined  
overarching needs

3

August

School Leadership  
completed Continuous  
Improvement Plan

4

Sept. – Dec.

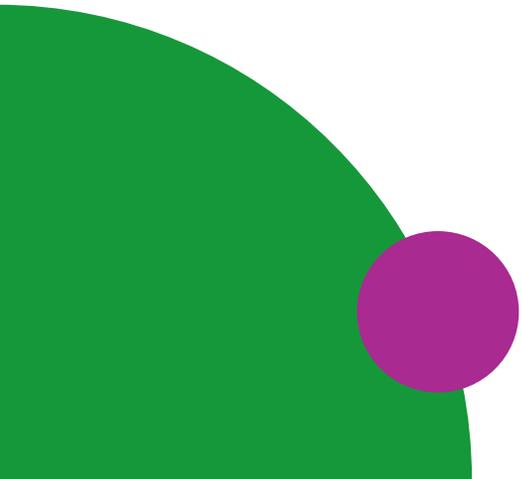
Utilizing current data, the  
GO Team will review &  
possibly update the  
school strategic priorities  
and plan

5

Before Winter Break

GO Team will take action  
(vote) on the rank of the  
strategic plan priorities  
for SY25-26 in  
preparation for budget  
discussions.

# QUESTIONS ?





**OPTIONAL  
UNIFORM  
DISCUSSION**

# OPTIONAL SCHOOL UNIFORM

In the 2023-2024 school year, the APS Board of Education updated the district's dress code policy. As part of the update, starting with the 2025-2026 school year if a school wishes to adopt an optional school uniform, they must go through an engagement process and have a vote as outlined below:



## ELEMENTARY

A school uniform is adopted upon the agreement of the principal and a majority vote of the School Governance Team (GO Team).



## MIDDLE

School uniforms are adopted upon the agreement of the principal, GO Team and the elected student government. If the school does not have an elected student government, then a majority vote must be secured from the student body to adopt a school uniform.



## HIGH

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# ABOE POLICY JCDB STUDENT DRESS CODE

(Last Revised, 06/03/2024)

<http://tinyAPS.com/?APSDressCodePolicy>

## REQUIREMENTS

1. A top of non-see through fabric
2. A bottom of non-see through fabric
3. Shoes
4. Undergarments that are not visible

## RESTRICTIONS

1. No words or symbols that are gang-related, sexually suggestive, obscene or promote illegal behavior
2. Nothing associated with alcohol, illegal drugs or tobacco
3. No flip-flops, athletic slides or footwear that doesn't support the front and back of the foot

# SCHOOL-SPECIFIC DRESS CODES

We have one districtwide student dress code adopted by the Atlanta Board of Education.

School-specific dress codes may not contradict Board policy.

## Examples of problematic school specific dress-code provisions

“dress in good taste”

“no baggy pants”

“no sweatpants”

“no activewear”

“no short shorts or skirts”

“no spaghetti straps”

“no tube tops”

“no dresses”

“no tight/revealing clothing”

“no leggings”

“no joggers”

“no ‘extreme’ hairstyles or colors”

“no Crocs”

“all shirts must be tucked in”

“no hoodies/hooded jackets”

“hair should be clean and neatly groomed”

“no shirts which expose cleavage”

“students dressed in uniform are better perceived by teachers and peers”



# SCHOOL UNIFORMS

Schools may choose to adopt an optional school uniform.

Effective immediately, **at no time** will students have their instructional time interrupted or be barred from school or class for declining to wear the optional school uniform.

# ESTABLISH AN OPTIONAL SCHOOL UNIFORM

The GO Team needs to **TAKE ACTION (vote)** on **establishing an optional school uniform.**

After the motion and a second, the GO Team may have additional discussion. Once discussion is concluded, the GO Team will vote.

If the GO Team votes to move forward, then the team should proceed to discuss the School Uniform Advisory Committee.

**TAKE  
ACTION**

# DISCUSSION

The GO Team will now discuss if they wish to move forward with establishing a School Uniform Advisory Committee.

## The School Uniform Advisory Committee will be responsible for:

- 1.** Recommending the optional school uniform components.
- 2.** Developing a stakeholder engagement plan to receive feedback on the proposed uniform(including a minimum 20-day public comment period)
- 3.** Establishing the student voting timeline and process (*if necessary*).
- 4.** Determining how long the uniform will be in use.
5. Developing a communication plan to inform the school community about the optional school uniform, if the uniform is adopted
- 6.** Other objectives as defined by the GO Team.

# COMMITTEE MEMBERS

## The GO Team will also need to determine who will be on the committee:

1. The GO Team Chair will name the Committee Chair.
2. No more than 2 additional GO Team members may be on the committee (a maximum of 3 GO Team Members).
3. Committee must have **at least 3 students** as outlined below:
4. Other committee members may be added, as determined by the GO Team.



## ELEMENTARY

Elementary School with Ambassadors  
Recommend inclusion of at least 3 student ambassadors

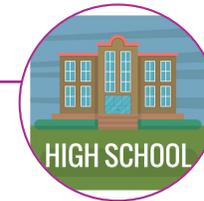
Elementary School without Ambassadors  
Recommend inclusion of at least 3 students selected by the principal with GO Team input



## MIDDLE

Middle School with Student Ambassadors  
At least 3 student ambassadors

Middle School without Student Ambassadors  
At least 3 students selected by the principal with GO Team input



## HIGH

High School with Elected Student Government  
At least 3 students as selected by the SGA

High School without Elected Student Government  
At least 3 students as selected by the principal with GO Team input

# ESTABLISH THE COMMITTEE

The GO Team needs to **TAKE ACTION (vote)** on establishing its **School Uniform Advisory Committee** based on the previous discussion.

After the motion and a second, the GO Team may have additional discussion.

Once discussion is concluded, the GO Team will vote.

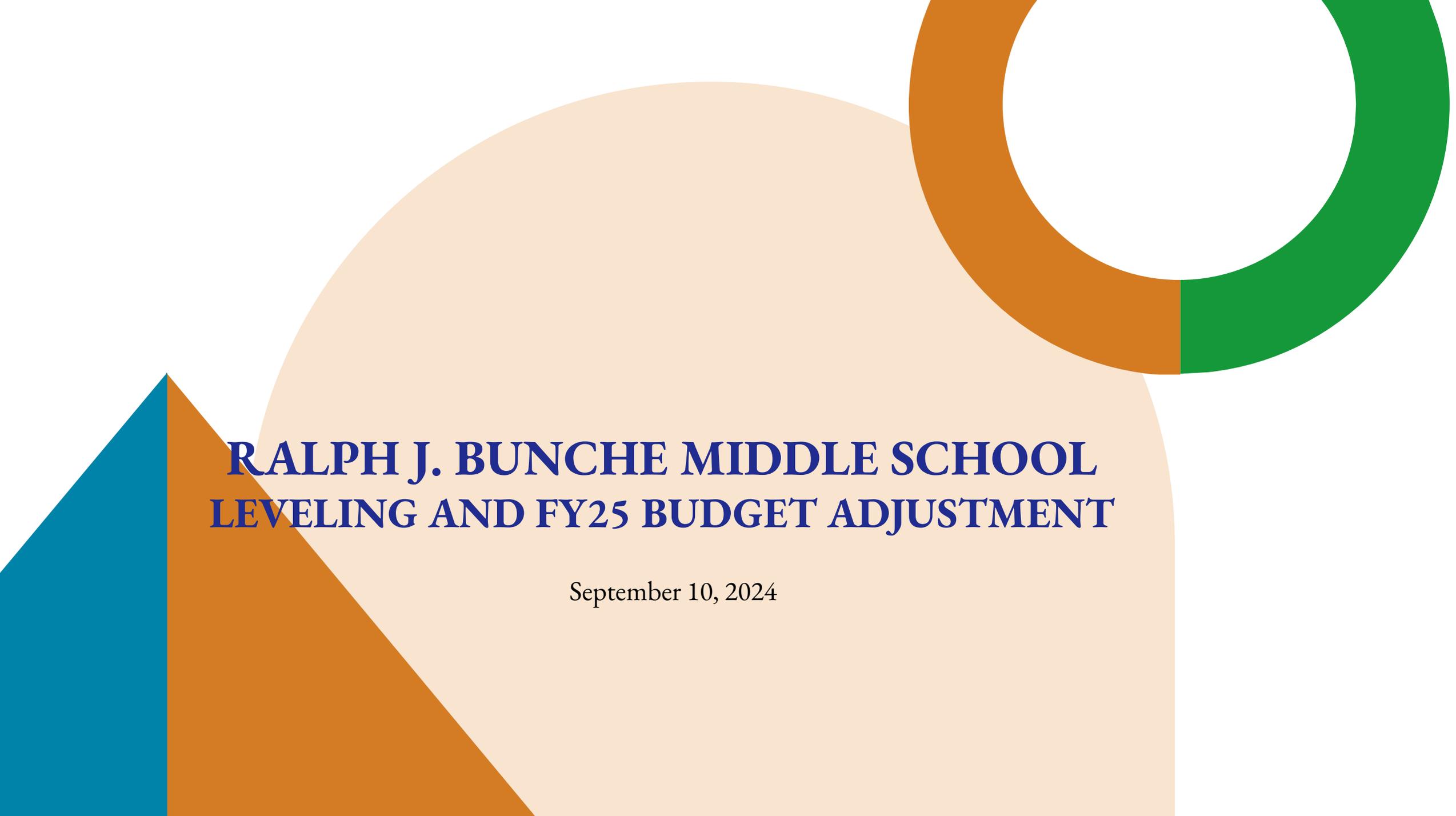
If the GO Team votes in the affirmative (yes) for moving forward, then the Chair will need to fill out a committee resolution form (*see example on next slide*) and send to the GO Team Office.

**TAKE  
ACTION**





# **PRINCIPAL'S REPORT**



# **RALPH J. BUNCHE MIDDLE SCHOOL LEVELING AND FY25 BUDGET ADJUSTMENT**

September 10, 2024

# ENROLLMENT

Projected Enrollment	680
15-Day Count(08.21.24) Enrollment	656
Difference	24

# LEVELING

Leveling is the process the District uses to adjust school budget allocations to match student enrollment.

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<b>Budget Adjustment*</b>	<b>\$73,245</b>
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*\*The budget adjustment reflects the impact of the following: enrollment changes, FY25 reserve, adjustments to Title I, Family Engagement and School Improvement Allocations, Security Grants and FY24 carryover funds*

# Plan for FY25 Leveling Reserve \$\_\_(Insert Amount Here)\_\_\_

Priorities	APS FIVE Focus Area	Strategies	Requests	Amount

**Before Presenting to your GO Team:  
Insert the Leveling Reserve Slide  
from your Feb 2024 Budget  
Presentation**


# Plan for FY25 Title I Holdback

**\$\_\_\_(Insert Amount Here)\_\_\_**

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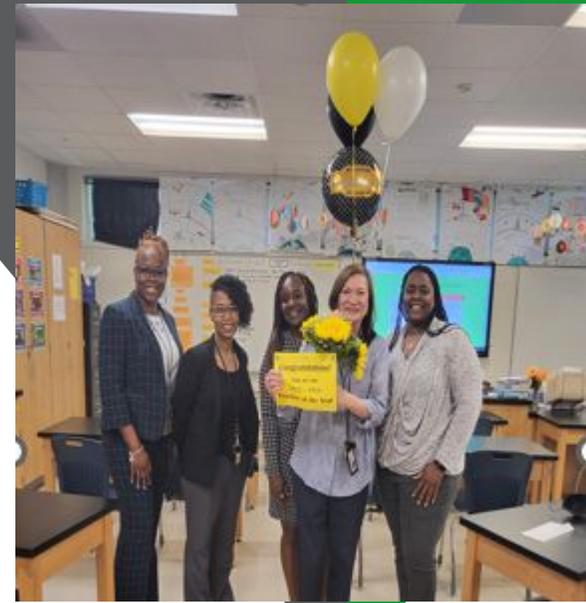

# SUMMARY OF CHANGES AS A RESULT OF FY25 BUDGET ADJUSTMENT

Personnel Changes	Non-Personnel Changes
Lost 2 SWD teachers	IB Dues and Fees (+\$9000)
Instructional Technology Specialist	IB Travel (+42500)
	Student Transportation (+\$10,000)
	Instructional Employee Travel (2500)

**Summary of Changes**

**PRINCIPALS: Please provide a summary of the impact these changes and how it relates to your strategic plan here.**

# INFORMATION ABOUT OUR SCHOOL



New Website



**QUESTIONS?**

