

DAVENPORT MIDDLE SCHOOL / HIGH SCHOOL

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THANK YOU, School Board Members!

I hope you know how much we appreciate your service on the school board! Everyone of you is committed to helping the students and staff in Davenport become the best they can, and I personally could not be more grateful and appreciative of your support.



Washington State Leadership Academy (WSLA) & our Problem of Practice (POP):

This year we signed up for the Washington State Leadership Academy (WSLA) program in order to examine our system as a whole. We have a team of teachers and administrators that work together to identify a problem of practice that we would like to focus on. WSLA provides numerous professional development opportunities throughout the two year commitment and a coach to help us along the way. This is our second or third time through this program, we believe it has played a big role in our improvement efforts and a reason we have been recognized on the national level for academic excellence.

District Goal (POP) – 2015: How can we create and lead a system that effectively monitors and efficiently intervenes which results in high levels of student growth in reading (and other subjects), so that all students are reading at grade level and graduate college and career ready?

District Goal (POP) - 2019: How can we create and lead a system that effectively monitors and evaluates our **core instructional practices**, curriculum, tasks, and assignments/assessments to ensure that ALL students are receiving **appropriate grade-level standards** in order to help close the achievement gap which still results in high levels of **student growth** while at the same time reducing the number of students in our system in need of extra intervention (RTI) and support.

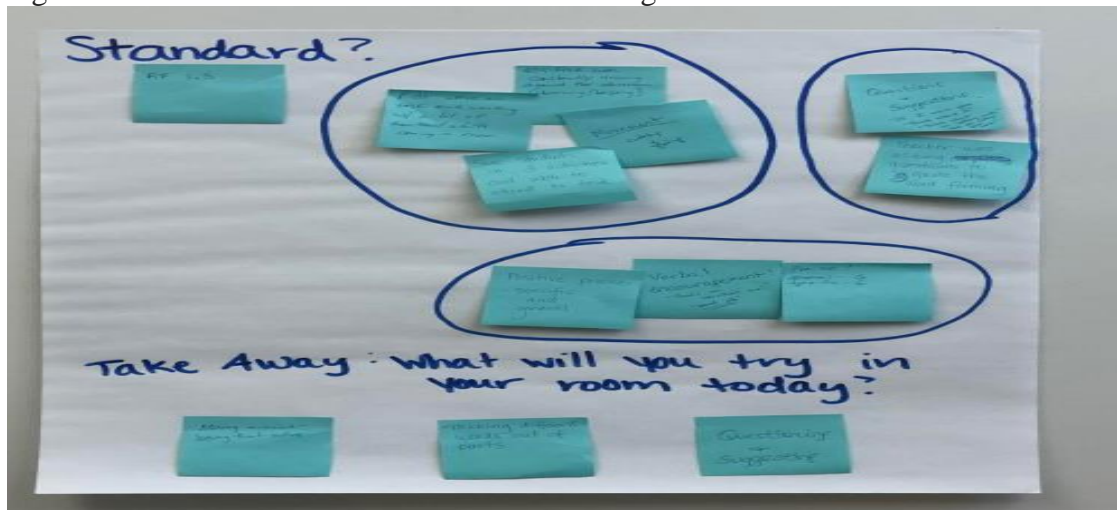
Gorilla Learning Walks:

Below are pictures of what your colleagues learned from you! The circles represent common trends observed by everyone during a 10-minute snap shot of your lesson. The below portion is what each staff member took away from observing you and plans on using, refining, or

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introducing into their classrooms in the coming days and weeks. These posters are hanging in the elem. conference room so please feel free to stop by and look! We also have one poster in the high school staff room for the staff in that building.



We have an incredible staff here in Davenport and this is an opportunity to learn from the best! If you have any questions, comments, or concerns please email Courtney or I and we would be happy to walk you though the whole process / protocol that we used today. We hope to use a Monday late start to refine and discuss the good work that is happening.

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