

## **School Improvement:**

The mission of Cork Elementary is to provide quality education in a nurturing, safe learning environment achieved through partnership of family, staff, and student involvement.

We are always striving to be better. Our goal is to become an Excellent rated building on our State Local Report Card.

What we are working on...

Building Leadership Team: We have created a team that meets to discuss concerns, make educationally sound decisions, review data, and problem solve. Team members are: Mrs. Bowser, Mrs. Webb, Mrs. Jackam, Mrs. Ball, Mrs. Haeseler, Mrs. Doherty and parent rep- Mrs. Doolan.

Common Planning Time: This is a weekly scheduled time for teachers to meet to review intervention plans, devise lessons to meet the varying needs of our students, to discuss/problem solve issues in the classroom, and to research effective practices. Common planning time is scheduled every Thursday.

Data Meetings: Combined grade level meetings in which student data is collected and discussed to devise improvement plans or to think outside the box for ways to help struggling students and to provide time for two+ grade level teachers to share ideas.

Title 1 Tutors/Intervention Specialists: Using our specialists in unique ways to reach the individual needs of our students and to get small group/ one on one time to go over content. Our focus is to use our specialists to shift focus to our testing grades and working with students on test-taking strategies, vocabulary identification so the student understands exactly what is being asked of them, and a one on one approach to content development.

And of course the day to day planning and adjusting that teachers do to meet the needs of the students in their classrooms.