Expectations Expect More – Get More or Accept Less – Get Less

To change belief systems, we are using a building "success on success" model so students experiences success, encourage parental and community support by creating a culture built upon common expectations while increasing student achievement on high stakes test. We expect the following:

Planning

- 1. Identifying linkages to introduce new concepts & skills
- 2. Identifying simple, straight-forward examples that work when introducing new concepts and skills and repeated scaffolding examples to reach standards
- 3. Create a parallel constructed practice test using the highlighting template and an identified ACT/SAT/SBAC/PARCC question based on the content in that unit.
- 4. Email parallel constructed practice test home before instruction begins

Instruction

- 1. Teach bell to bell; no cell phones
- 2. Begin class with a QCPR, after the QCPR, a CFP to check on student proficiency
- 3. Pace students thru notes, guided practice, etc. addresses classroom management
- 4. Instruction/concept & pattern development, guided practice, individual practice
- 5. Use simple, straight-forward examples to introduce new topics
- 6. Use repeated scaffolding examples to reach grade level expectation
- 7. Use oral recitation to teach students to read, write and say mathematics and embed information in short-term memory stress vocabulary, notation and pattern development.
- 8. Student notes should support & reflect instruction
- 9. Homework should reflect instruction & notes, be more than just exercises

Assessment

- 1. Place parallel constructed practice test created in planning on website
- 2. Use test template; 1, 2, and 3 star questions
- 3. Identify SBAC/PARCC or ACT/SAT type questions and label them on tests
- 4. Last question on each chapter test is "CHP" information question
- 4. Administer practice test 2-days in advance ONE question at a time
- 5. Don't schedule tests on Mondays. Tests should be returned within 2 days
- 7. Administer approx. 1 or 2 quizzes per week based on the QCPR and CFP

Family Notification

- 1. Letter sent explaining "what we do to help students succeed" sales pitch
- 2. Implementation of the 30 in 30 phone calls sales pitch
- 3. Letter (semi-random) on the board each week to call parents with "sales" pitch
- 4. Notification to parents of students earning grades of D or F on each test
- 5. Increased use of the CHP information from last question on each test to send positive message home.