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Hardin County Board of Education

Nannette S. Johnston, Superintendent

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Ms. Johnston and Members of the Board of Education:

The following annual report is submitted on behalf of James T. Alton Middle School:

2014-15 Council Membership:

Jama P. Bennett Principal/Chair

Katie Allen Teacher

Kenneth Caldwell Teacher

Ben Stewart Teacher

David Bollinger Parent

Shalisa Geter Parent

# SUBCOMMITTEES and MEMBERSHIP

BUDGET: Rhonda Newton, Mary Lou Emerine, Mary Kuhlman, Sylvia Stuckey, Jammie Tate, Kevin Kolander, and Dana Filburn

 POSITIVIE BEHAVIOR INTERVENTIONS/SUPPORTS (PBIS):

 Michael Elmore, Ben Stewart, Elannette Baker

# AREAS ADDRESSED:

MAP Assessment administered in math/reading during the fall, winter, and spring for all students. Data was compiled in all areas and growth was monitored. We saw tremendous growth in our students throughout the school year as evidenced by MAP data/reports

MAP results reviewed with the SBDM Council fall, winter, and spring.

 K-PREP data analysis completed school-wide, by each department

 and reviewed with the SBDM Council

 EXPLORE classes taught to all 8th grade classes

 EXPLORE data reviewed with SBDM Council

 At-Risk student data reviewed with council on an on-going basis

 Read 180 students showed some of the highest gains school-wide

Individual Learning Plans (ILPs) created for all students

 In addition to the implementation of PBIS and the use of SWIS

 Data, we are utilizing Check/Connect to assist students

 Instructional Program Specialist/Behavior Interventionist

 focused on MAP testing/data, CCR/HOP classes, DISCOVERY

 classes and additional school-wide data

 College/Career Readiness (CCR) classes renamed by students to

HOP (Hour of Power) and focused on enhancement of reading/math skills for ALL students. MAP data was used to determine grouping

Character Education program hosted monthly for student recognition. Program was based on HCS Work Ethic Standards.

Common assessments were administered in all content areas and monitored for necessary adjustments in curriculum, instruction, and assessment.

District wide PLD days continued – these continue to be extremely beneficial for our teachers

Central Office personnel conducted school-wide walk throughs with all teachers. Data was reviewed school-wide

PAYDAY incentive continued and 270 students were rewarded at the end of the school year with a trip to Holiday World

Two Holiday dinners were hosted for families

Activities were coordinated for our school community through our Family Resource Youth Service Center

SECOND CHANCE program continued – “Not Doing IS NOT an Option!”

Parents/Teachers/Students for Progress (PTSP) held quarterly meetings that focused on student and school-wide needs

 Dinner of Champions hosted prior to testing with 308 students

 and their families being invited. Taylor Bennett (JTA alumni)

 served as guest speaker

 Technology trainings continued for faculty/staff members utilizing

 district technology integration specialist

 Several teachers became involved with LDC and MDC work

 Alton hosted their second summer camp for at-risk students –

 HUGE success

 All teachers were trained and completed various components of

 PGES. EVERY teacher went through a conferencing session with

 the principal first and second semester

 **C/D. SUCCESSES and ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:**

Our 8th graders annual trip this year was to Atlanta and a big

hit with our students

Alton hosted a Safe School Simulation – one of our BEST PDs

ever

Alton hosted a Poverty Simulation in conjunction with the

United Way which was an eye-opening experience for all

certified and classified staff members

Rain jackets were donated for teachers to use during parent

pick up in the afternoons.

JTAlton’s News Crew(s) were selected by our student body this

year

Alton hosted a portion of the boys’ basketball tournament

Reward Days were implemented in conjunction with MAP

testing

Our STLP students ventured to state competition

Our Robotics team KICKED BUTT – top 7 in the state as a first

year team and attended the National Convention in Louisville

Alton had a student featured as Tuesday’s Teen

Two 6th grade students won the Magnolia Bank Scholarship

Contest

Mary Kuhlman was featured in the NE with students

participating in a community service project

Three Alton students were nominated for the Junior Student to

Student Ambassador Program

One JTA (NHHS) wrestler made it to state

Drew Corder served as a Legislative Page in Frankfort

7th Grade Volleyball made it to round two of the district

Competition

Students attended the BETA Convention

PE Students participated in Hoops for Heart and raised 964.00

for the American Heart Association

KTIP Intern Teacher, Richae Logan, planned and implemented

a Diversity and Power of Words Assembly for students

KTIP Intern Teacher, Jamie Donahue, planned and

implemented a Carnegie Math night to teach parents how to

assist their student with Carnegie from home

James T. Alton faculty/staff/students donated $1500.00 to a

staff member whose mother perished in a fire and had no

Insurance

 Our annual raffle was a success and continues to fund various

 incentives/rewards for students

 PTSP hosted Teacher Appreciation Week and fed our

 faculty/staff for an entire week

 Alton, along with VGE, hosted our annual 5K for the

 community – great turnout

 All students were given a choice as to the teacher they

 wanted to take the K-PREP test with

 Alton hosted its FIRST K-PREP KARNIVAL – based on a

 rubric used during testing. HUGE SUCCESS!!!

Our FMD/MMD students performed their very own

talent show and served as hosts for a parent performance

Reality Store was hosted for our 8th grade students

Bryce Shumate with RPD hosted a Drunk Driving Simulation

for our 8th grade students

Annual 8th grade dinner/dance – another huge success

Several Alton students performed in plays at the PAC and with

Allegro Dance Theatre

Four 6th grade, seven 7th grade, and two 8th grade

Students received Distinguished solo scores at the

KMEA Solo and Ensemble Awards

Alton had one 6th grade and five 8th grade Distinguished Duets at the KMEA Solo and Ensemble Awards

Two 8th grade students received Distinguished Solos at the

KMEA Solo and Ensemble Awards

One 7th grade, and one 8th grade student received proficient

solos at the KMEA Solo and Ensemble Awards

Four 7th grade, and ten 8th grade students received

Distinguished Ensemble scores at the KMEA Solo and

Ensemble Awards

Fifteen 8th grade students were members of the All-District

Band and two were first chair

Overall, JTA received a DISTINGUISHED rating from the KMEA

for their performance in March

JTA’s band hosted two concerts for parents/community

PLTW continued

 Guest speakers included: Dennis Parrott (Branches of

 Government), HMH Nurse (Heart Health), Real Life Science Guy,

 History Alive, Hop-Hop Poetry, Blake Proffitt, Lolly Ren (China),

 J.D. Shelburne (Motivational), Caroline Anderson (Advocacy

 Support Center)

 Field Trips: PAC (“Adam’s Family,” “Music Man, Jr.,” and

 “Seussical the Musical”), several Community Based Instruction

 for our MMD students, Confucious Institute from WKU, Daniel

 Reams and Brian Frodge (NHHS Band)

 Five 8th grade students, two 7th grade students, and one 6th

 grade student completed the entire Carnegie course in math

 Our 6th and 7th grade tied for Floor of the Year and were

 rewarded with a bowling trip

 Student Attendance for school year: 95.8%

 Teacher attendance for school year: 95%

 ILP’s were completed on all students

 Collaboration with Fort Knox and Dever’s Teen Center continued

 with monthly calendars being sent to parents

 Parent Newsletter and calendars sent monthly

 Various data continues to be collected and analyzed on a

 consistent basis and plans are underway to move our PLC’s to

 the next level by utilizing our updated Smart Goals/Rubrics.

 Data will continue to be used for decision making

 Alton had three teachers to retire effective July 1 and another

 teacher will be retiring on September 1

 Our “one word” for 2015-16 has yet to be determined; however,

 we WILL be continuing with our focus on GROWTH as well as

 enhancing our PLC’s, revamping our PBIS, and restructuring our

 committee process – all in order to ENSURE student success

Currently, our 2015-16 SBDM Council will be composed of the following individuals:

 Jama Bennett Principal/Chair

 Katie Allen Teacher

 Kenneth Caldwell Teacher

 Ben Stewart Teacher

 David Bollinger Parent

 Cheryl Logsdon Parent

We look forward to continued collaboration as our faculty and staff strives to do “Whatever it Takes” to help ALL of our students succeed.

 Respectfully submitted,

Jama P. Bennett

Principal/SBDM Chair

May 2015 James T. Alton Middle School

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**Fundraising Report – SBDM Yearly Report**

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| Name of Fundraiser | Amount Raised | How Funds Were Used |
| Magazine Sales | 15,000.00 | PTSP Liability Insurance, Testing t-shirts/items /Student Rewards, Dinner of Champions, Awards Day, Teacher Appreciation Week, K-PREP KARNIVAL |
| Raffle  | 5,000.00 | FUND 22: End of Year Trip to Holiday World/Transportation  |
| School Pictures  | 2,500.00 | FUND 22 – Miscellaneous Items for students throughout the school year |
| Yearbooks | 6,000.00 | To furnish and replenish items need to produce/publish the yearbook. Additional items needed by students.  |
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