

Gibbs

Thank you for having us here this evening to talk about our needs at the secondary level. We are in the third year of our five year budget. We continue to enjoy being at Gibbs and are receiving very positive feedback from both the parent community and the student community about their respective experience. We are focusing on building our tier 1 work around social emotional learning and content area instructional best practice. We are doing this by concentrating on building a robust Responsive Classroom philosophy, developing a Project Block curriculum that builds various necessary sixth grade skills and supporting teachers' instructional pedagogy through coaching and special education support. This work is also allowing us to define our tier 2 and tier 3 intervention. We are having discussions about what we do for all students identified as needing access to this kind of intervention and as a result are developing more comprehensive interventions and are beginning to be able to define our gaps and needs around professional development.

To continue sustaining our work next year, we will need to think about enrollment growth and professional development. Through this lens:

Our requests related directly to staffing are as follows:

- .2 increase in math intervention bringing our .8 interventionist to full time
- .3 increase in world language to mitigate a 250 plus student caseload in Spanish
- .2 increase in physical education to bring our total physical education staff 2.0

Our non-staffing priorities are as follows:

- Funding for Wilson Training to support the number of students entering sixth grade needing tier 3 intervention.
- Funding to train new staff members in Responsive Classroom
- Funding to sustain Responsive Classroom training for all staff
- Funding to maintain and continue the growth of co-teaching training
- Funding to maintain the efforts around Project Block, Advisory and Co-teaching through Think Tanks.

Thank you again for having us this evening. I look forward to continuing this work at Gibbs as well as working to vertically align with the elementary schools and the Ottoson. As always we appreciate your support each year.

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