



**The Benjamin Franklin
Classical Charter Public School**

Accountability Plan

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BFFCPS Accountability Plan 2005 – 2010

Mission Statement:

“To assist parents in their role as primary educator of their children by providing the children with a classical academic education coupled with sound character development and opportunities for community service”.

The Benjamin Franklin Classical Charter Public School’s 2005 – 2010 Accountability Plan focuses on answering three overarching questions.

- Is the school’s academic program a success?
- Is the school faithful to the terms of its charter?
- Is the school a viable organization?

The school uses a combination of external and internal assessments and measures to inform the outcomes of the accountability goals.

External sources include:

- Terra Nova
- ERB Writing Assessment
- MCAS
- National Latin Exam
- Le Grand Concourse Exam

Internal sources include:

- school wide satisfaction survey results
- internally designed tests
- project based assessments

1. Is the Academic Program a Success?

Performance Objective 1: All students at BFCCPS will demonstrate competency in skills fundamental to academic success in English language arts and mathematics.

Annual Yearly Progress (AYP):

- BFCCPS will make AYP in the aggregate and for all statistically significant sub-groups.”

- **MCAS:** 85% of students in grade levels assessed by the MCAS will achieve Proficient or Advanced in Math and ELA
- **ERB:** 85% of fourth through eighth grade students will meet or exceed grade level criteria on the ERB
- **Terra Nova Cat 6:** 85% of first and second grade students will meet or exceed the 75th percentile (MDNP Median National Percentile) in Reading on the Terra Nova CAT 6
- **Terra Nova Cat 6:** 85% of first and second grade students will meet or exceed the 75th percentile (MDNP Median National Percentile) in Language Arts on the Terra Nova CAT 6
- **Terra Nova Cat 6:** 85% of first and second grade students will meet or exceed the 75th percentile (MDNP Median National Percentile) in total Math on the Terra Nova CAT 6

Performance Objective 2: Students at BFCCPS will demonstrate competency as indicated by external measures in Science, Technology and Engineering.

- **MCAS:** 85% of students will achieve Proficient or Advanced on MCAS for each grade tested in Science, Technology and Engineering

Performance Objective 3: Students at BFCCPS in Grades 6 – 8 will demonstrate competency as indicated by external measures in the classical curricular areas of French and Latin.

- **National Latin Exam:** 85% of our sixth graders and eighth graders will score at or above the 75% on the
- **Le Grand Concours Exam:** 85% of the sixth, seventh, and eighth graders will score at above 75% on the exam

Performance Objective 4: BFCCPS students will demonstrate competency as indicated by internal measures in each of the curriculum areas of the BFCCPS classical curriculum.

English Language Arts:

- 85% of students in Grades 1 - 8 will pass a year end grammar test with a score of 80% or higher
- 85% of students in Grades 1 - 8 will achieve minimum benchmarks in written expression through the Six Traits Writing Program
- 85% of students in Kindergarten will achieve minimum benchmarks in the Wilson Foundations beginning reading and writing program

History and Social Studies:

- 85% of students in Grades 5 - 8 will pass a year end exam with a score of 80% or higher
- 85% of Students in Grades 5 - 8 will successfully complete a Geography Fair Project and Report

Math:

- 85% of students in Grades 1 - 8 will pass a year end exam with a grade of 80% or higher
- 85% of Kindergarten students will achieve 80% or higher in year end performance based assessments

Science and Technology:

- 85% of students in Grades 1 - 8 will successfully complete a Science Fair Project and Report
- All students in Kindergarten – Grade 8 will successfully complete projects using one of the three computer labs

French:

- 85% of students in Grades 5 - 8 will pass a year end exam with a grade of 80% or higher

Latin:

- 85% of students in Grades 5 - 8 will pass a year end exam with a grade of 80% or higher

General Music:

- 85% of all students in Kindergarten – Grade 8 will demonstrate mastery of CKS grade level music standards through performances, projects and content exams

Instrumental Music:

- 80% of all students in Grades 4 - 8 will participate in Instrumental Lessons

General Art and Art History:

- 85% of all students in Grades 5 - 8 will demonstrate mastery of grade level art standards through performances, projects and content exams
- 85% of students in Kindergarten – Grade 4 will demonstrate mastery of grade level art standards by applying art elements within student work

Library:

- All students in Kindergarten – Grade 5 will demonstrate knowledge of basic Library Skills

Physical Education:

- Students in Grades 3 – 8 will successfully complete the BFCCPS fitness challenge

2. Is the School Faithful to the Terms of its Charter?

Performance Objective 5: The school will provide students a classical education that is coupled with Character Development

- 100% of students in Kindergarten - Grade 4 will earn a leaf in the Forest of Virtues annually
- 85% of parents of students in Kindergarten - Grade 8 will indicate on an annual survey that character development opportunities have made a positive impact on their child's personal growth, self esteem, habits of mind, sense of community, and behavior, and that their child understands the meaning of each virtue
- 100% of students in students in Grades 5 - 8 will demonstrate character development by successfully completing projects through their individual advising groups

Performance Objective 6: BFCCPS will provide students with opportunities for Community Service

- 100% of students in Kindergarten - Grade 5 will complete monthly community service activities within their homerooms
- 100% of students in Grades 6 - 7 will complete service projects
- 100% of students in Grade 8 will complete an approved yearlong Capstone service Project
- 85% of students in Kindergarten - Grade 8 will indicate on a year end survey that the community service opportunities have made a positive impact on their personal growth, self esteem, habits of mind, sense of community, and contribution to school culture
- 85% of parents of students in Kindergarten – Grade 8 will indicate on a year end survey that the community service opportunities have made a positive impact on their child's personal growth, self esteem, habits of mind, sense of community, and contribution to school culture

Performance Objective 7: BFCCPS will assist parents in their role of Primary Educator

- 100% of parents of students in Kindergarten – Grade 8 will return a completed Family Pledge
- 85% of parents in Kindergarten – Grade 8 will indicate on an annual survey that the opportunities for Parents as Primary Educators was enhanced by the school

3. Is the School a Viable Organization?

Performance Objective 8: BFCCPS will maintain financial stability

- BFCCPS will have an annual balanced budget
- BFCCPS will successfully complete an annual external audit
- Enrollment stability of BFCCPS will be indicated by student wait lists

Performance Objective 9: BFCCPS will maintain organizational stability

- The Board will meet a minimum of 10 times a year, will have regularly scheduled public elections and minutes will be provided and posted on school website
- The BFCCPS website will be regularly maintained and kept current
- The Board will develop and meet annual goals of the Strategic Plan
- The Board will recruit and retain qualified leadership and faculty
- The Board will review a third of board policies and bylaws annually
- The Board will develop task forces as situations deem them necessary
- The Board will provide new members appropriate training