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# BULL RUN MIDDLE SCHOOL



# 2017-2018 SCHOOL STATISTICS

Designated in 2011 Re-Designated 2014

Community Size - Suburban
School Enrollment Grade Levels - 6, 7, 8
School Calendar - Traditional
Free and Reduced Lunch 28.4%
English Learners 12.9%
Students With Disabilities 13.6%

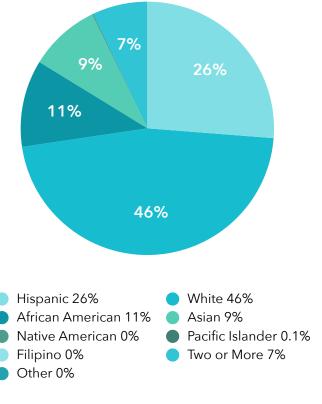
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# School Characteristics and Replicable Practices

#### **Academic Excellence**

- Staff has worked to deconstruct learning objectives into the categories of knowledge skills, reasoning, skill and product based target. The targets are also written in student friendly learning targets and presented to the students. Daily Learning Objectives 100 % participation among staff
- Reassessment Process (full implementation)
- Common Planning time for Teams and Content groups.
- Standards Based grading practices and alignment with learning targets.
- Pass Advance Rate from SOLs increase

### 2017-2018 School Demographics



- PLC meetings schedules have allowed for teachers to have a day for team meeting, grade level meeting, and a content area meeting, as well as 2 days of personal planning, all in one week
- Flex Day Schedule for remediation and extension
- Technology Integration— SAMR model drives professional development.
- Pilot of Project Based Learning experiences.
- Disciplinary Literacy: content-area teachers and the reading specialist plan together to teach students to read and write like professionals in their given fields.
- Focus on key academic task of reading, writing, speaking and thinking at high levels across the curriculum drives the vision and mission at Bull Run Middle School.

## **Developmental Responsiveness**

- Interdisciplinary teams have been created at each grade level with content level teachers working with a focused group of students, sharing a common schedule and a common planning time.
- Teachers use the common planning time to coordinate major tests dates, projects and assignments.
- Teachers collaborate about topics that align across the curriculum for connected, meaningful and relevant learning experiences for the students.
- Interdisciplinary teams of teachers at Bull Run Middle School utilize student assessment data to establish Tier 1 interventions for students in the areas of attendance, behavior and academic improvement.
- Bull Run Middle School employs a continuous improvement model with teachers combining their expertise in the areas of cross curricular connections, integrating planning and teaching, and unit planning.
- SOAR Program, which stands for Success through Organization, Attitude and Respect, emphasizes positive behavior, use of incentives and a straight-forward disciplinary procedure with clear expectations for students.

# **Social Equity**

- Bull Run offers highly specialized, site based programs for those students with Autism, Specific Learning Disabilities, Emotional Disabilities, Mild Intellectual Disabilities and Moderate Intellectual Disabilities.
- Bull Run Middle values inclusive practices by ensuring that all students can participate in daily curricular activities and classes with their non-disabled peers.
- The Bull Run Middle School Advisory Council supports the Principal in developing and monitoring the school's strategic plan. Parent and teacher representatives provide recommendations regarding the school's programs, budget, and aspects of planning.
- Staff engages in Professional development in EL Techniques for teaching diverse learners and are culturally responsive to the needs of our diverse population.

# **Organizational Support**

- Professional development opportunities are conducted using a site based model. We have a committee that meets once a month to develop research-based activities and seminars on teacher work days where breakout sessions are offered by peer professionals.
- The Health and Wellness program is driven by our Wellness Committee. This committee meets monthly to discuss ways to promote healthy lifestyles for staff and students.
- The BRMS Literacy Committee, made up of teachers from various content areas, actively works to fulfill our school's mission: making sure that every student can read, write, speak, and reason at higher levels across the curriculum.
- Bull Run Middle Schools has over 20 enrichment clubs and sports activities for students to be engaged in beyond the regular schools day.