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2026-27 School Improvement Plan | School Board Summary

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AT-A-GLANCE

Current School Grade	A
5-Year Grade Trend	A - A - A - A - A
ELA Achievement (Schoolwide)	76%
Math Achievement (Schoolwide)	84%
ELA Learning Gains (Schoolwide)	65%
Math Learning Gains (Schoolwide)	68%

SIP AREAS OF FOCUS

ELA PROFICIENCY & GRADE 3 LITERACY

Measurable Outcome: Increase overall K–8 ELA proficiency by at least 2 percentage points and Grade 3 Reading proficiency from 84% to 87%

Action Steps:

- Use PLC data cycles to guide instructional adjustments.
- Monitor and strengthen high-yield small-group literacy instruction.
- Provide targeted Intensive Reading based on specific student skill needs.

MATHEMATICS PROFICIENCY & GROWTH

Measurable Outcome: Increase K–8 Math proficiency by at least 2 percentage points from 68% toward 72%.

Action Steps:

- Use PLC data cycles to monitor Math and FAST progress.
- Conduct walkthroughs to strengthen standards-aligned Math instruction.
- Provide targeted small-group interventions to address foundational skill gaps

SCIENCE INSTRUCTION & ACHIEVEMENT

Measurable Outcome: Increase overall Science proficiency by at least 2 percentage points, from 71% to 73% or higher.

Action Steps:

- Use PLC data reviews to align science instruction and pacing.
- Integrate literacy, vocabulary, and hands-on inquiry into science instruction.
- Monitor assessment data to provide timely, standards-based reteaching.

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CELEBRATIONS & SUCCESSES

Highlight key achievements, recognitions, programs, and milestones.

Recognized as a Florida Purple Star School of Distinction for its outstanding commitment to supporting military-connected students and families.

Maintained an "A" school grade while continuing to rank among Florida's highest-performing K-8 schools.

Ranked among the Top 10% of public schools in Florida for overall academic achievement, including top-tier performance in reading, mathematics, and science. Liberty Pines also was named a 2026 PBIS Model Bronze School.

A Liberty Pines Academy student captured the 2026 St. Johns County School District Spelling Bee Championship, representing the district at the regional competition.

WHAT MAKES OUR SCHOOL UNIQUE

Describe the unique attributes, culture, programs, and opportunities that set our school apart.

Premier K-8 Academy providing a seamless educational experience that fosters academic excellence, leadership development, and strong student relationships from kindergarten through eighth grade.

Strategic Beachside High School Partnership ensuring K-12 alignment through collaboration, shared expectations, and intentional transition planning that directly benefits student success.

Exceptional Student Opportunities including advanced academics, high school credit coursework, athletics, fine arts, leadership programs, service learning, and diverse extracurricular experiences.

Purple Star School of Distinction proudly serving military-connected families through dedicated supports, community partnerships, and our annual Veterans Day Parade, a hallmark tradition honoring those who serve.

A Culture of Belonging and Excellence where students, staff, families, and community partners work together to ensure every child feels valued, connected, and empowered to achieve their full potential.

SIP AREAS OF FOCUS

MIDDLE SCHOOL ACCELERATION

Measurable Outcome: Increase Middle School Math Acceleration participation and completion from 86% to 90%.

Action Steps:

- Use FAST scores, grades, and teacher recommendations to identify eligible students.
- Place Level 4–5 students in accelerated math coursework.
- Monitor progress and provide tutoring to support success in advanced courses.

STUDENT ATTENDANCE & POSITIVE CULTURE

Measurable Outcome: Increase student attendance from 93% to 96%, reduce chronic absenteeism below 1%, and strengthen student connectedness through PBIS

Action Steps:

- Reinforce Character Counts! and “The LPA Way” through monthly lessons.
- Monitor attendance monthly and provide targeted family outreach.
- Use PBIS incentives, recognition assemblies, and Wolf Warehouse rewards.