PICOLATA CROSSING ELEMENTARY

2026-27 School Improvement Plan | School Board Summary

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AT-A-GLANCE

Current School Grade	A
5-Year Grade Trend	A - B - A - A - B
ELA Achievement (Schoolwide)	72%
Math Achievement (Schoolwide)	74%
ELA Learning Gains (Schoolwide)	68%
Math Learning Gains (Schoolwide)	67%

SIP AREAS OF FOCUS

MATHEMATICS PROFICIENCY & LEARNING GAINS

Measurable Outcome: Increase Math Learning Gains to 70%+, Lowest 25% Gains to 60%+, and overall Math Achievement to 77%+, with targeted growth across all grade levels.

Action Steps:

- Use weekly PLC data analysis to identify priority Math skills and intervention needs.
- Maximize WIN blocks for targeted small-group reteaching and immediate feedback.
- Partner with district specialists to strengthen data analysis, student grouping, and Math instruction.

ELA PROFICIENCY & GROWTH

Measurable Outcome: Increase ELA Achievement to 76%+, ELA Learning Gains toward 72%, and ELA Lowest 25% Gains toward 65% across Grades K–5.

Action Steps:

- Deliver explicit, systematic literacy instruction using the core ELA curriculum.
- Use PLC data analysis to identify standards and create flexible student groups.
- Provide targeted tutoring and reading intervention during WIN blocks.

SCIENCE INSTRUCTION & PROFICIENCY

Measurable Outcome: Increase Grade 5 Science proficiency from 63% to at least 66% on state assessments.

Action Steps:

- Analyze Science data to identify priority standards and skill gaps.
- Integrate vocabulary, hands-on investigations, and evidence-based writing.
- Use CSA data to monitor mastery and provide timely reteaching.

STUDENT ATTENDANCE & TRUANCY INTERVENTION

Measurable Outcome: Reduce chronic absenteeism from 17.8% to 15% or lower, with targeted attendance support for Grades 1–3.

Action Steps:

- Monitor attendance weekly to identify students needing early intervention.
- Provide proactive family outreach for students with 3–5 unexcused absences.
- Recognize improved and consistent attendance through positive schoolwide incentives.

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CELEBRATIONS & SUCCESSES

Highlight key achievements, recognitions, programs, and milestones.

- Recognized as a Character Counts! Exemplary School for 2023-2026
- Florida Purple Star School of Distinction
- Over 770 years of combined instructional experience among our prekindergarten through fifth-grade instructional staff
- Highly engaged PTA and community involvement

WHAT MAKES OUR SCHOOL UNIQUE

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

- Picolata Crossing Elementary is committed to providing high levels of learning in Academics, Behavior, and Character Counts!
- The only elementary school in SJCSD with a theater resource class in which all grades, PK–5, participate.
- Numerous clubs and organizations that include; Anchored 4 Life, Battle of the Books, Character Cup, Girls on the Run, Morning News Crew, Puma Players, Robotics, Safety Patrol
- SUNrooms providing Access curriculum and student support
- ESE prekindergarten and voluntary prekindergarten