

Flying the Plane While You're Building It

21CCLC – Years One And Two

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21st Century Community Learning Centers Grant

Rochelle

Located in North Central Illinois

1.5 hours from Chicago, 35 minutes south of
Rockford, 20 minutes west of DeKalb and NIU

Rochelle and Hillcrest- 11,000 people

Many subdivisions in the country

Rural community

Agriculture, Warehousing, Cold Storage

Rochelle Elementary D231

Pre-K through 8 District

Enrollment- 1749

Four K-5 Buildings

One Middle School

51% White

42% Hispanic

4% Two or More Races

2% African American

68%- Low Income- 2015

22%- Low Income- 2000

22%- ELL- 2015

4%- ELL- 2000

Congratulations!

Now What!?!

Where Do You Start?

Logo, parent contact, creating documents, program design

Key Stakeholders

How to get them to buy in, working with administration, principals, teachers and parents

Programming and Daily Operations

Finding partners, scheduling, managing the “chaos”

Attendance

Getting students to attend, retention

Family Engagement

Communication, involvement

Staff

Retention, training

Where Do You Start?

Designing A Logo

Creating Documents

[Website](#)

Facebook Page, Twitter

Program Basics- Calendar, Hours of Operation

Full-Time Staff

Start Taking Pictures Immediately

TV, Radio, Social Media, Newspaper, Email Blasts,

Join Local Non-Profit and Service Organizations

Be Aware of Language Barriers

Make sure the right people are doing your translating

Key Stakeholders

Principals, Teachers, Parents

How is this program going to HELP them?

Form An Advisory Committee

Discuss Expectations- Identify Needs

Communication and Chain of Command

Your Most Important Allies

Custodial Staff, Kitchen Staff, Secretaries,

Lead Teachers, PTO Parents,

School Nurses and Counselors, Transportation Director

Daily Operations

Program Design

How Do You Want Your Day to Look?

Discuss with All Stakeholders

Managing The “Chaos”

Define Roles, Establish Routines,

Common Expectations, PBIS, Class Dojo,
Student of the Month, Class of the Week,
Student/Staff Ratios, Hiring Outside Staff

Transportation

Programming

Creating Partnerships

Non-Profits

Companies With Volunteer Programs

Organizations Within Your Community

Bi- Annual Partner Luncheon- [Promotional Video](#)

Scheduling

[Google Calendar](#)- Include All Parties

Curriculum

“Pre-Teaching”, Partner Programming, Field Trips

Attendance

Getting Them To Enroll

Communication With Parents

Promotion from Classroom Teacher and Principal

Retention

Kids need to feel their time is being well spent

Incentives- 30, 60 and 90 day attendance

Climate- Face at the Door, Bulletin Boards, Photos

Programming- Are They Having Fun?

Staff- Best of the Best

Parental Engagement

Communication

Remind, Facebook, Website, Email

All-Call, Notes, Face to Face, Get the Students Excited!

Involvement

Monthly Parent Child Activities, Quarterly Parent Breakfasts, Parent Education, Volunteer Opportunities

Make it Fun!

Low Stress, Light Programming,

Remember Your Audience

Staff

Retention

Competitive Salary, Benefits, Administrative Support

Training

IAN, Local Universities, [SEDL](#), ISBE, School District, ROE, [Y4Y](#), Beyond the Bell

Most Importantly- Connection with Director
Develop PD Plan- What Does Your Staff Want?

What Do I Do If It's NOT Working?

Who Is Saying It's Not Working? Listen

- Without Ego

Talk to Your Mentor

- Most Obstacles Are Not Unique

Talk to Your Consultant at ISBE

- There could be wiggle room within your grant

 - Scope must not change

- They want you to succeed

Questions
or
Comments?

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