Bureau of Special Education
Special Education Program Approval and Improvement Process
Focused Monitoring
Milford – SAU #40

Our Mission:
To provide a quality education that challenges all students to succeed

Our Vision:
Our Ideal for the Future...
Schools, community, families and students are engaged in a dynamic educational system that produces successful students.

Our Beliefs
What We Believe to Be

✓ Education is a shared responsibility of the individual, family, school, and community.
✓ High Expectations challenge people to higher levels of performance.
✓ All people are expected to act with reason, respect, and responsibility.
✓ It is essential to appreciate diversity and value the contributions of others.
✓ Education should be appropriate to the cognitive, social and emotional needs of students.
✓ Teachers and others who support a child’s education are valuable assets.
✓ District resources must be used as efficiently and effectively as possible.

June 1, 2013

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Special Services Director: Johanna Johnson

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Introduction

Milford, New Hampshire, respectfully known as the ‘Granite Town’, is a quaint, friendly town with approximately 15,000 residents. It is located at the foot of the Monadnock Mountains just ten minutes from Nashua and thirty minutes from Manchester. Like the community it represents, the Milford School District provides rich and diverse educational experiences to its youth.

The Milford School District serves a population of 2,800 students at five institutions ranging from preschool to high school. The curriculum and instructional techniques are designed and implemented by our two hundred and fifty teachers to ensure the students reach their full potential. The students have a plethora of co-curricular and challenging school programs available to them. Every student and family will find, at every school, something for them ranging from on-site before school child care to programs for the advanced learners. The Jacques Memorial and Heron Pond elementary schools provide all students with the necessary educational foundation for advancement. The Milford Middle School provides the students with essential needs for developing adolescents. The same educational commitment of Milford extends to the special needs population by providing identified students with a smaller alternative environment.

The Milford High School and Applied Technology Center serves as a model for real world, integrated learning experiences. Students may select from courses such as bio-technology, pre-engineering, and culinary arts in addition to Advanced Placement courses. The high school is proud to admit better than 50 students from other districts who, on a part-time basis, desire participation in the Applied Technology Center. Milford offers a full array of interscholastic athletic activities, including swimming and wrestling, in the state’s intermediate division. In 2010, our high school basketball team won the Class I State Championship and our “We The People” team is a consistent State champion. Nearly seventy five per cent of Milford students go on to post-secondary education. (Suprenant, R. (2012). Milford Schools: Retrieved May 28, 2013 from http://www.milfordk12.org/)

Current Professional Development Priorities include: (1) to effectively incorporate new and emerging technologies to improve student achievement and increase teacher effectiveness (2) to develop/improve curriculum instruction and assessment that effectively enables the success of all students (3) to increase the quality and quantity of ongoing, collaborative professional learning practices (4) to increase student engagement resulting in increased student achievement and (5) to successfully meet or exceed the goals and strategies of the School and District Improvement Plans.

1 Graphic taken from www.milford.nh.gov/
Purpose:

The mission of the Special Education Program Approval Process is to support the advancement of educational results for all learners. This aim is integral to the Focused Monitoring Process in select New Hampshire School Districts, where a strategic and collaborative process is developed to address the Achievement Gap between students with disabilities and their non-disabled peers. To meaningfully address this disparity, a systems perspective is essential to best create strategies that represent gains for all students, including those with unique learning abilities and challenges. Accordingly, the Focused Monitoring Process is designed to incorporate current school and school district improvement goals and strategies in this yearlong effort.

The New Hampshire Department of Education has elected to address the achievement gap as the ‘key performance indicator’ for meeting the statutory requirements in the NCLB legislation.

Statutory Authority for New Hampshire Department of Education Monitoring

The Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA) provides federal funds to assist states in educating children with disabilities and requires each participating state to ensure that school districts and other publicly funded educational agencies in the state comply with the requirements of the IDEA and its implementing regulations. New Hampshire state law requires local school districts to provide appropriate special education and related services and requires the State Board of Education (SBE) to establish, monitor and enforce regulations governing the Focused Monitoring process.

The summary report for the Focused Monitoring districts is intended to serve as a record of the work of the Achievement Team during the 2012-2013 school year, and more importantly will contain a limited number of well defined goals that will help focus the district’s work by setting a target for student achievement or addressing the factors that impact student achievement. The document is intended to be a synthesis of what the Achievement Team has accomplished, which supports an improvement plan with clear goals, research-based interventions and action steps to achieve the goal of narrowing the achievement gap between students with and without disabilities. Monitoring visits and corrective actions focus on the specific processes related to the Key Performance Indicator that put districts on the “visit” list and are aimed at helping districts improve their performance on that indicator. A statewide group of stakeholders identified the key focus area for New Hampshire school districts.

Essential Question:
What are the contributing factors to the achievement gap between students with disabilities and their non-disabled peers, and how will the gap be narrowed?
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Focused Monitoring Activities:

Achievement (AT) and Leadership Team (LT) Meeting Dates for the 2012-2013 School Year:
(Achievement Team Agendas attached)

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Focused Monitoring Process Timeline/Guide:

August- September: Getting Ready For Inquiry:

- Overview of Focused Monitoring within District and Symposium
- Initial planning meetings with district administration were held
- Root Cause Analysis began practices (Review of SINI/DINI, Demographic data)

October and November: Organize and Analyze Data:

- Data Analysis activities
- Review of state, district and school data
- Current curriculum, instruction and assessment practices

December- January: Investigate Factors Impacting Student Achievement:

- Synthesized data analysis and investigate other factors impacting student outcomes
- Narrowed the focus and identified key areas in need of improvement
- IEP File Review

February - May: Determine Effective Practices and Write a Plan

- Reviewed patterns and trends
- Recommendations for goals, strategies, and activities were created
- Developed and submitted Final Focused Monitoring Report (by June 1)
Activity Sequence:

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<th>Reviewed Plans/Data</th>
<th>Featured Activity Overview</th>
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<td>DINI-SINI District Data was gathered and analyzed over the course of the summer by special services administration and by the SERESC consultants</td>
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<th>Top 2 (SINI Plan)</th>
<th>Potential Causes of the GAP?</th>
<th>‘What will potentially impact student outcomes most?’</th>
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<th>Primary Research Findings</th>
<th>Team determined the following priority areas within the SINI to strengthen our overall work:  a. Curriculum Initiatives  b. Observation/Evaluation Initiative  c. Response to Instruction (RtI)</th>
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<th>Within small and large group settings, over the course of a few months, several discussions and changes were made to the following components of the action plan</th>
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| a. Goal(s)  d. Implementation  
| b. Objectives/Strategies  e. Impact on student performance  
| c. Monitoring |
**Milford Action Plan:**

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**Goal:** 10% more of students with disabilities, not yet proficient on the NECAP, will make “ambitious growth” (10% more than the average predicted gain) on NWEA – fall ’13 spring ’14;

**Objective:** To ensure that all students receive appropriate instruction to achieve core learning standards

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<td>To build/establish a collaborative structure where data teams (regular and special educators) meet regularly (1x/month) for the following purpose(s):</td>
<td>Administrative: - Common Meeting Schedule (including time)  - Provided Structure/Protocol/Process Personnel: - Administration (regular and special education); Teacher Leaders (data coaches); Reading Specialists and both regular and special educators</td>
<td>Special Services Administration; Building Level Administration; Reading Specialist; School Personnel</td>
<td>September 2013</td>
<td>What and by whom?  - Template to include:  - Attendees  - Student Learning Target  - Student work/data reviewed &amp; collaboratively assessed  - Strategies to support standard achievement  - Suggested intervention  - cc: list  Developed by Teacher Leaders with support and approval by building and district level administration</td>
<td>When  - What and by whom?  - When  - The following assessment results will be reviewed, analyzed and used to measure strategy effectiveness by building based data teams:  - Elementary: DIBELS, Curriculum Based Measures; NECAP, Student Work, NWEA  - Middle: NWEA, NECAP, Individual student achievement results, student work, core assessments  - High: NWEA; NECAP; Individual student achievement results, student work, core assessments</td>
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**Objective:** To maximize student response to instruction where a systematic process is implemented with fidelity.

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<td>To Review and Refine the RtI process throughout the district (where necessary) for the following purpose(s):</td>
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<td>List of students with designated intervention programs and assigned interventions established by Building Administration with support of Special Services Administration and Reading Specialist.</td>
<td>The following assessment results will be reviewed, analyzed and used to measure strategy effectiveness by building based data teams:</td>
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**Objective:** To ensure the RtI evaluation process is utilized effectively in the determination of students with specific learning disabilities.

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| To restructure the evaluation process | Materials:  
  - Current job description  
  - New job description (Reading Specialist)  
  - Research materials for successful RtI evaluative processes  
  - Data collection resources  
Budgets:  
  - Materials for Professional Development opportunities  
  - Time | Special Services Administration; School Personnel | Spring/Summer 2013 |  
  - Job description to Superintendent created by Director of Special Services  
  - Hiring for position by Special Services  
  - Revision of paperwork completed by Special Services Administration to incorporate RtI practices  
  - Support and training provided by Special Services Administration as illustrated by agenda/minutes, and/or PD forms | April 2013 | More effective evaluative processes (Special Services department) | June 2014 |
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  - Add Reading Specialist/ LD Specialist to evaluative team (replacing 1 psychologist)  
  - Revise evaluation paperwork  
  - Provide Professional Development on evaluation process to members of the Special Services department | Summer 2013 |  |  |  |  |  |
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  - Review evaluation paperwork | Fall 2013 |  |  |  |  |  |
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  - Data collection resources  
  - Materials for Professional Development opportunities  
  - Time |  |  |  |  |  |  |
**Next Steps:**

**Communication:**

Communicating the next steps within the Focused Monitoring process to all stakeholders is an integral component to the work of the achievement and leadership teams. Each of the building level administrators in conjunction with other members of the leadership team (staff) will provide a brief overview to their respective staff prior to the conclusion of the 2012-2013 school year. During the opening weeks of the 2013-2014 school year more intensive work will begin. Staff in each building will be provided an extensive overview of the journey the leadership and achievement experienced over the course of year one of this process. Concurrently, the final action plan will be included within the district website to be accessed by parents and other members of the Milford Community.

**Monitoring:**

As newly released data becomes available (NWEA, NECAP, DIBELS, etc) the results will be reviewed, analyzed, and used to measure strategy effectiveness by building based data teams. The Focused Monitoring Consultants will visit the Milford School District four (4) times throughout the 2013-2014 school year.
Appendix
Milford School District

Focused Monitoring Achievement Team Agenda

August 23, 2012

Sage School

9:00 Welcome and housekeeping

- Confirm LT/AT members; contact information
- Meeting schedule 2012-13: location, times, food
- Meeting protocol: norms, roles, facilitation, etc
- Date we have /need
- IEP Review: schedule, dates, details, DOE role scope, student selection, visitors, parent role

9:40 Causes of the “gap”: predictions, focus area(s)

10:20 Break

10:30 Article: “Tipping Point” (Mike Schmoker) – discussion

11:10 Achievement Team agenda planning

12:00 Adjourn
Focused Monitoring  
Achievement Team  
Monday, October 22, 2012

Time: 8:30-12:30  
Place: Jacques Memorial Elementary School

Agenda

I. Welcome and FM Overview (8:30-9:15)*
II. Longitudinal Data Review (9:15-10:00)*
III. Break (10:00-10:15)*  
IV. Index Card Activity (10:15-10:45)*
V. District Initiatives Overview (10:45-11:30)*
VI. IEP Review (11:30-12:10)*
VII. Wrap Up (12:10-12:30)*  
   a. Action Items  
   b. Homework  
   c. Communication  
   d. Next Meeting Date Reminder

** Please note: times are estimates based on discussion.
Focused Monitoring
Achievement Team
Monday, October 22, 2012

Time: 8:30-12:30
Place: Community House (public parking is next to the police department)

Agenda

I. Welcome and House Keeping (8:30-8:55)*

II. Data: Continuing to Sift through our data (9:00-10:15)*
   a. Graphs: Impact/control; Index cards
   b. “Cycle of Improved Student Performance”
   c. Reading Protocol: Groups 1-5 as Assigned
   d. Report Out/“Jigsaw”
   e. “Cycle” Activity
   f. Is the fog clearing? (Focus Points)

III. Break (10:15-10:30)*

IV. RtI Status Check/discussion (Martha, Rose, Mike T) (10:30-11:15)*

V. Brunch! (11:15-11:45)*

VI. Introduce “Access Indicators” OR continuation of morning work (11:50-12:10)*

VII. Wrap Up (12:10-12:30)*
   a. PSU
   b. PCIs
   c. Communication Plan
   d. Process Observer report out
   e. Action Items?
   f. Other
NHDOE FOCUSED MONITORING
MILFORD SCHOOL DISTRICT
ACHIEVEMENT TEAM MEETING
12/12/12

830-1230, MILFORD CONGREGATIONAL
CHURCH, UNION STREET

AGENDA

830-900 HOUSEKEEPING

9-945 ARTICLE REVIEW/REFINEMENT (PLEASE BRING YOUR ARTICLES)

945-10ISH MHS RTI OVERVIEW, MIKE TENTERS

10-11 RTI CHART REVIEW/DINI PLAN AND IMPACT FACTORS

11-1130 BRUNCH

1130-1215 DINI PLAN AND IMPACT FACTORS
ACHIEVEMENT TEAM MEETING

Monday, January 07, 2013
8:30-12:30
SAGE @ Bales

Agenda

8:30-8:45: Welcome and Housekeeping

8:45-9:30: PowerPoint: Identifying ‘Cardinals’ from Essential Research

9:30-10:00: “Carousal”: results of small group work

10:00-10:10: Break

10:10-10:40: Consensus re: “Cardinals” (whole group)

10:40-11:50: “Cardinals” (smaller groups); Report Out

11:50-12:00: Wrap Up
  ➢ Action Items
  ➢ Communication Plan
  ➢ PCI’s (please turn into Mike)
  ➢ Next AT Meeting???

12:00-12:30: Lunch

Norms of Collaboration:

Pausing, Paraphrasing, Posing Ideas, Putting Ideas on the Table, Providing Data, Paying Attention to Self and Others, Presuming Positive Intentions
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Pausing; Paraphrasing; Posing Questions; Putting Ideas on the Table; Providing Data; Paying Attention to Self and Others; Presuming Positive Intentions

8:30 Welcome and Housekeeping
- Roles: Historian, Recorder, Jargon Buster, Scribe/Parking Lot, Timekeeper, Process Observer
- Selection of Norms

8:45 “Clearing”: Discussion of 2/4/13 Meeting

9:15 Review of the Journey
- Where did we start?
- Where are we now?

9:45 Action Planning
- Action Plan Template
- Expectations for the Action Plan

10:00 BREAK

10:15 Action Planning (small group work)
- Goal(s)
- Objectives/Strategies
- Monitoring
  - Implementation
  - Impact on Student Performance

11:30 LUNCH

12:00 FM Annual Report
- Template
- Who’s responsible?
- Benchmarks/Check-in Points

12:20 Wrap Up

12:30 Adjourn

NEXT MEETING: April 1, 2013 (no kidding!)
Achievement Team Agenda

8:30
I. Welcome/Housekeeping
   - Roles: recorder, process observer, jargon buster, scribe, timekeeper
   - Action items from 4/1/13
   - Selection of Norms

8:45
II. Review and finalize Action Plan (work done by AT 4/1)

III. Monitoring: Implementation, student with disabilities performance impact
     - Resources/Personnel/Timeline

9:30
IV. Additional Action Plan material review (LT meeting 4/2/13)
    - Introduction/discussion (JJ, MH; LT members)
    - Next steps

10:30
BREAK

10:45
V. Communication Plan: “Roll Out of Action Plan district-wide

11:15
VI. Other Reports Status
    - Summary/Annual Report
    - Corrective Action Plan

11:45
VII. Wrap Up/Next Steps (LT agenda)

12:00
### Milford—FM Process—Articles for consideration

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**Other?**
What format for moving forward will best serve implementation and impact?

What clearly linked evidence can be organized to provide feedback regarding impact?

What clear criteria are needed for knowing the initiative is partially or fully in place?

What evidence will be clearly linked to impact elements? To implementation with fidelity?

Need to “unpack” to identify “impact” elements within each area

Which elements of each focus area will impact student outcomes the most?

Top 2 Programs in Plans
Milford LT Top 2 Impact Plan Initiatives 2012

Weighted Number Value by AT

- (5) RTI Implementation: 20
- S&U PD Plan (Eval/Improvement): 2
- Observation/Evaluation: 15
- Combo Obj/Eval: 17
- (2) Graduation Plans: 3
- Realign Elem. Math Curric.: 1
- Math Curriculum: 6
- Writing Across Curriculum: 14
- Curriculum Review Cycle: 2
- Combo Curriculum: 23