

## Essential Elements Schools to Watch Model School – Visitor's Guide

# **Longwood Junior High School**



#### Re-Designated in 2015

District: Longwood CSD County: Suffolk State: New York

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### **School Statistics**

(Source: Power School, BEDS Report, NYStart)

Community: Suburban/Residential

Enrollment: 1356 Grade Levels: 7&8

School Schedule: Team Model

#### Student Demographics

51% Male

49% Female

24% Hispanic/Latino

50% White

3% American Indian/Alaskan Native

18% African American

0% Filipino

5% Asian/Pacific Islander

16% Students with Disabilities

47% Free/Red. Lunch/Econ. Disadvantaged

3% English Learners

## School Characteristics and Replicable Practices

#### **Academic Excellence**

- Accelerated Math and Science Program
- NJHS Membership constitutes 13% of the population
- 2011-12 PD Workshops on Academic Rigor
- 2010-Present Workshops/Emphasis on Differentiated Instruction
- 2011-12 CCLS Alignment Project
- Team Model
- Benchmark Exams
- Interdisciplinary Instruction Workshops
- Academically Focused Co-Curricular Activities
- Learning Center (Learning Specialists in a Pull-Out Model)
- Portable Computer Labs
- Uniform Grading Parameters
- Word-of-the Week/Math Problem of the Week
- S.I.M. (Strategic Instructional Model) Strategies
- Student of the Month Awards

- Library Media Center/Video Conferencing Equipment
- LongwoodTeachers.com (online resource)
- Principal's Breakfast

### **Developmental Responsiveness**

- Career Day
- P.A.C.T. Program
- Case Conferences PRN
- Instructional Support Team
- Award-Winning Mentoring Program
- Student Advisories
- Counselors/MHP's Attached to Teams
- Health and FCS Curriculum emphasizes Decision-Making/Personal Development
- Jump Rope for Heart Project
- Intramural Sports Program
- The Academic Challenge Bowl
- Family Fun Night
- School Musical
- Peer Tutoring
- Shared Decision-making Team
- School Socials
- Interscholastic Sports Program
- HIV Peer Educators
- PTSA Fund Raising Activities

### **Social Equity**

- 2010-11 Shanti Fund Peace Day Award-Winning Initiatives
- Anti-Bullying Survey/Workshops/Assembly (Ryan's Story)
- Character Education: Thought for the Day
- Advisories
- Helping Hands Project
- Clothes Closet Community Resource
- · Peer Leaders Activities
- Principal's Newsletters
- District Homeless Liaison
- Co-Curricular Activities (30+)
- Performing Music Program
- Diversity Day
- ELL Specialist
- Student Government
- Consistently Enforced Code of Conduct
- Longwood Day
- Food Drives
- Awards Nights (Grades 7 and 8)

## **Organizational Support**

- Mental Health Team
- Common Planning
- Team Meetings
- Smart Board Technology Resources
- Mentoring Program through the LI Mentoring Partnership

- Administrative Team Assigned to Domains
  Faculty Meeting PD Featuring Staff Presentations
  Dept. Chair Meetings (Shared Leadership Model)
  Common Planning Meetings/Team Meetings
  Lesson Plans Reviewed Weekly
  Math Mentor Program for Teachers
  Inclusion Teachers Assigned to Departments
  Staff Relations Committee (meets monthly)
  Instructional Technology Support and Training

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- Tech Mentors