

Community Partnerships



TEAMMATES Mentoring Program: Using community members to provide support and encouragement to intermediate students.

In-School Savings Only Bank Program: Teaming with TS Bank, students learn about financial literacy and save their money by depositing in the Rue Jr. Jacket Branch.



Foster Grandparent Program: Volunteers provide additional support to students in the areas of reading and math.

Parent Teacher Organization: Parents and teachers are involved in school-wide initiatives that support school improvement efforts.

Community Outreach: Partnerships between community, home, and school. This outreach program provides an avenue of support for students and families that extend beyond the school day.

Iowa State Extension: Teachers and students are involved in a grant creating a community garden to learn about healthy eating.

Food Bank of the Heartland

The Backpack Program provides food for hungry children at times when other resources are not available, such as during weekends and school vacations.



Our Staff

Trudy Evans, School Administrator

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Classroom Core Instruction

Differentiated Instruction

Word Study

Reading Workshop

- Whole Group Mini Lesson
- Guided Reading
- Literature Discussion Groups
- Reading Conferences
- Independent Reading
- Share Time

Writing Workshop

- Whole Group Mini Lesson
- Writing Conferences
- Writing Process
- Share Time

Math Workshop

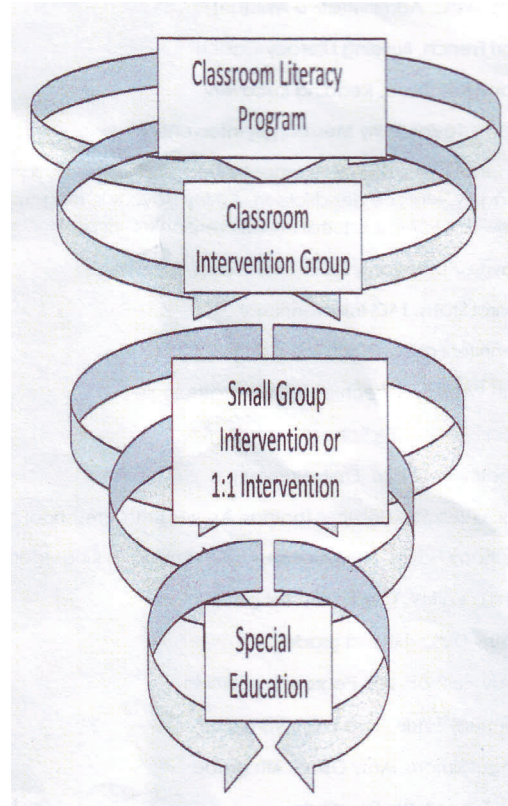
- Whole Group Engagement
- Investigation
- Math Conferences
- Share Time

Content Workshop

- Whole Group Mini Lesson
- Conferences



Interventions: Layers of Support with a 4-Tiered Framework



All Interventions are dynamic and interactive, not static and linear.

Council Bluffs Literacy Model

- Develops independent, self-regulated learners
- Includes a seamless transition across programs, curriculum, and assessments
- Creates an environment that makes literate thinking a top priority
- Reinforces the link between reading and writing



Council Bluffs Math Model

- Creates a climate that supports mathematical thinking, reasoning through peer talk
- Incorporates Number Talks
- Encourages student talk that promotes student learning
- Develops independent, self-regulated learners

