“We are what we repeatedly do. EXCELLENCE, therefore, is not an act, but a HABIT.”

Aristotle
Campus Team

- Principal – Lori A. Garza
- Inst. & Assmnt. Strategist – Maggie Cantú
- 7th ELA – Katie Koeneke
- 7th Math – Nancy Basaldua
- 7th/8th ELD – Andres Benitez
- 7th/8th Special Ed – April Torres
- 8th ELA – Monica Mclver
- 8th Science – Anabel Guerra
- 8th Social Studies – John Neeley
- 8th Math – Maryann Jones
## Something About Us

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Add Ms. Garza's photo
Mission Statement

“B. L. Gray Junior High is committed to providing the highest academic achievement for all students, cultivating respect for the individual, and encouraging students, parents, and staff to make sound personal choices and decisions.”
Campus Initiatives

- Maintain Academic Achievement – 7 Distinction Designations
- Maintain Standards on All Indexes
- Provide Instructional Coaching
- Maintain Data Binders
- Implement SIOP and ELPS
- Build on Academic Vocabulary
- Continue to Build an Effective Inclusion Program
- Become an Effective PLC
Special challenges

- Campus proximity to the Mexico border
- Student mobility rate
- High ELL Population
- Economically Disadvantaged %
- Funding
Highest Priority Initiatives with Action Steps

• Increase Student Academic Performance, with additional emphasis on LEP & SPED in all categories
  o Identify areas of instructional concerns in Social Studies and Writing, provide content and grade level specific professional development to support the teachers, to include ELL and Special Education strategies
  o Implement WAC and CSR strategies to provide students with support in writing and comprehension of complex text
  o Increase Level II Advanced performance ratings in Reading and Math by 10%

• Instruction: Promote activities that actively engage students
  o Focus on providing highly engaged lessons and activities in all classrooms to increase student academic performance on all state mandated assessments and promote student attendance
  o Maintain and provide high quality intentional instruction to continue to receive distinguished distinctions in all 7 indicators and 4 index measures
  o Increase number of classrooms regularly using BYOD and implementing technology

• Climate: Cultivate a positive campus climate
  o Continue to recognize and celebrate student, staff and campus accomplishments
  o Build leadership and continue to empower teachers to be problem solvers and decision makers
Successes achieved
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### Successes achieved

#### Texas Education Agency

2014 Distinction Designation Summary - Top 25% in Closing Performance Gaps

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2. Bowman Middle (043910042) | Plano ISD | 47
3. Cathey Middle (108909047) | McAllen ISD | 47
4. Richardson West J H (057916044) | Richardson ISD | 47
5. Schultz J H (237904043) | Waller ISD | 46
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9. James Coble Middle (220908045) | Mansfield ISD | 42
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Top 3 factors that have influenced positive learning results at your school

- High student expectations

- Intentional & strategic classroom instruction

- Collaboration to develop a culture of Accountability & Excellence (staff and students)
High Student expectations

- Campus Attendance
- Activities that promote positive behavior
- Parent/teacher communication
- Rigorous classroom instruction
- Targeted support for students
Intentional & strategic classroom instruction

- WAC – Evaluate writing samples
- CSR – Practice reading technique
- Kagan Strategies become automatic
- SIOP Strategies help all students
- Scaffolding Academic Vocabulary
Intentional & strategic classroom instruction
Collaborate to Develop a Culture of Accountability & Excellence

- Teachers plan regularly to collaborate lessons
- Engaging students in real-world activities
- Effective interventions when necessary
- Data analysis to target key areas
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Recommendation for schools interested in achieving similar results

- Data analysis and targeted interventions
- Effective planning and collaboration
- Hire passionate teachers
- Building healthy, collaborative relationships among staff members
- Strong curriculum writers
- Utilize research-based best practices consistently and with fidelity
Thank you!