

Goal 1:
High-Quality Instruction

Goal 2:
Continuous Improvement

Goal 3:
Effective Communication

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Word of the Month:



ex • e • cu • tion
noun

1. the carrying out or putting into effect of a plan, order, or course of action

Lean Six Sigma Tip:



Understand **WHAT** is wrong before asking **WHY**.

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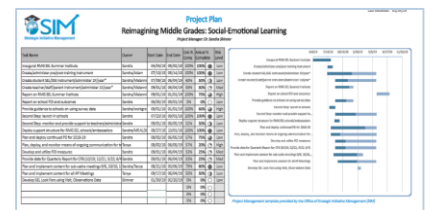
Champions of Continuous Improvement

Congratulations to another **112** teachers, staff, and Board members certified as **Lean Six Sigma White Belts!** They can now apply new principles and tools for facilitating process improvement in their areas. *Stay tuned for future workshops by Dr. Posner and the SIM Team.*



Initiative Spotlight

The **Reimagining Middle Grades Initiative** is now in its first year of implementation under the leadership of **Dr. Jermaine Fleming**, Cadre Director, Middle Schools. The District is focused on creating more experiential learning opportunities for all students through **problem- and project-based learning (PBL)**. In parallel, the District has launched a new **social emotional learning (SEL)** curriculum that will help ensure students are learning in supportive environments and feel a strong sense of belonging.



Visit **SIM's SharePoint site** to view the various **Project Plans** and **Dashboards** tracking the great progress of our strategic initiatives!