# PRAISE Newsletter

PRAISE: Preparing for Readiness and Academic Improvement for pre-School Els

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## Cohort News

#### **Welcome Cohort 2!**

The FAU team visited Cohort 2 schools in April. We are excited to begin our work with the following schools:

Boggy Creek Elementary
Chestnut Elementary
Flora Ridge Elementary
Pleasant Hill Elementary
Poinciana Academy of Fine Arts
Thacker Elementary
Westside K-8

Thank you for meeting with us!

#### **Thank you Cohort 1!**

Thank you **Cypress** and **Neptune** for scheduling your May PLT.

Thank you **Central Avenue** for submitting thorough documentation.

Thank you **Kissimmee** for maintaining open communication with our team.

You Rock!!

#### Upcoming Dates:

#### May 6

Cypress Focus Group

#### May 9

SDOC/FAU PRAISE Task Force Meeting

#### **May 16**

Neptune Focus Group

#### **May TBA**

Central Avenue Focus
Group

### **May TBA**

Kissimmee Focus Group

## July 15 - 18th

PRAISE Summer Institute @ Valencia College

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Please contact Christina Butler butlerc@fau.edu or Cynthia Bauman baumanc@fau.edu to schedule May focus group, submit documentation (including sign-in sheets), and for any additional questions. Thank you!

### Why have a Focus Group?

The School Readiness PLT EOY focus group is a vital component of the grant and is designed to reflect upon the team experience implementing the SR-PLT Action Plan that was developed during the Summer Institute (SI). It helps FAU determine the effectiveness of the SI and how we can help better prepare teams for the work during the year. Cohort 1 schools should schedule one in May.

#### **Cohort 2 Save the Date!**

Don't forget the PRAISE Cohort 2 Summer Institute is July 15th - 18th from 8:30 - 3:30 each day and will be held at Valencia College. Paras and teachers - Be sure to register in MyPGS - Course # 96442 and Section # 121053.

## Cohort 1 May Reminders:

- 1. Schedule May
  PLT and inform
  FAU of Date and
  Time.
- 2. Collect Parent
  Sign-In Sheets
  from any EOY
  Family
  Engagement
  Events.
- 3. Leaders
  complete PostAssessment
  Survey (Link to
  come via email.)
- 4. **ALL** complete exit survey. (Link to come via email.)