

Minnesota READ Act Literacy Plan

2024-25 Data Submission and 2025-26 Continuous Improvement Plan

For

Discovery Public School of Faribault (4081-07)

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This is the Local Literacy Plan submitted to the Minnesota Department of Education (MDE) by Discovery Public School of Faribault (4081-07). This plan is a requirement of the Minnesota READ Act, [Minn. Stat. 120B.12](#) (2024). The Local Literacy Plan must be updated annually and submitted to MDE by June 15th. The plan must also be posted to the district or charter school's official website.

Minnesota READ Act Goal

The goal of the READ Act is to have every Minnesota child reading at or above grade level every year, beginning in kindergarten, and to support multilingual learners and students receiving special education services in achieving their individualized reading goals in order to meet grade level proficiency. [Minn. Stat. 120B.12 \(2024\).](#)

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1. Read Act Goals

District or Charter School Literacy Goals

Discovery Public School of Faribault (4081-07)'s literacy goal(s) for the 2024-25 school year:

All students will read on grade level or make adequate progress by the end of the school year based on meeting or exceeding expected growth on NWEA MAP reading growth for all students and moving up a level ("does not meet" to "partially meets") on MCA Reading scores for students who take the MCA this year.

The following was implemented or changed to make progress towards the goal(s):

Tracking of students who are below grade level on their NWEA MAP Reading Growth test was implemented. Students who were below grade level were screened for dyslexia using a nonsense word screener that our English teacher already had.

The following describes how Discovery Public School of Faribault (4081-07)'s current student performance differs from the literacy goal detailed in the READ Act:

54.1% of students met or exceeded their growth target on NWEA MAP reading growth. MCA data are not yet available.

Discovery Public School of Faribault (4081-07)'s literacy goal(s) for the 2025-26 school year:

All students will read on grade level or make adequate progress by the end of the school year based on meeting or exceeding expected growth on NWEA MAP reading growth for all students and moving up a level ("does not meet" to "partially meets") on MCA Reading scores for students who take the MCA this year.

Discovery Public School of Faribault (4081-07)'s Local Literacy Plan is posted on the district website at:

<https://isd4081.org/resources/>

2. Screening Tools K-3

The Minnesota READ Act requires that all students in grades K-3 are universally screened for mastery of foundational reading skills and characteristics of dyslexia in Fall, Winter and Spring using an MDE approved screening tool.

The table below details the screening tool used by Discovery Public School of Faribault (4081-07) and the criteria used to determine if students are reading at benchmark. It also includes any additional screening tools utilized.

Screening Tools Used for Grades K-3:

Grade Level	Screening Tool Used	Criteria Used to Determine Benchmark	Additional Screeners
Kindergarten	Grade level not served	Grade level not served	NA
Grade 1	Grade level not served	Grade level not served	NA
Grade 2	Grade level not served	Grade level not served	NA
Grade 3	Grade level not served	Grade level not served	NA

3. Screening Summary Student Counts Grade K-3

Universal screening for foundational reading skills for Discovery Public School of Faribault (4081-07) resulted in the following number of students screened and scoring at or above benchmark at each screening time point:

Grade	Number of Students Universally Screened: Fall	Number of Students at or Above Benchmark: Fall	Number of Students Universally Screened: Winter	Number of Students at or Above Benchmark: Winter	Number of Students Universally Screened: Spring	Number of Students at or Above Benchmark: Spring
Kindergarten	0	CTSTR	0	CTSTR	0	CTSTR
Grade 1	0	CTSTR	0	CTSTR	0	CTSTR
Grade 2	0	CTSTR	0	CTSTR	0	CTSTR
Grade 3	0	CTSTR	0	CTSTR	0	CTSTR

NOTE: As a standard practice when reporting public data, the Minnesota Department of Education will not report results if fewer than 10 students participated. CTSTR = Counts too small to report

4. Dyslexia Screening Summary Student Counts K-3

The following section describes how Discovery Public School of Faribault (4081-07) engaged in screening for characteristics of dyslexia, and the number of students demonstrating characteristics of dyslexia. NOTE: demonstrating characteristics of dyslexia is not the same as a diagnosis of dyslexia.

Discovery Public School of Faribault (4081-07) used the following process to administer the Nonsense Words subtest to measure decoding skills in grades 2 and 3:

Grade level not served

The following criteria was used to determine which students are demonstrating characteristics of dyslexia:

Grade level not served

Dyslexia Screening Summary Student Counts K-3

Grade	Number of Students Screened for Dyslexia	Number of Students Demonstrating Characteristics of Dyslexia
Kindergarten	0	CTSTR
Grade 1	0	CTSTR
Grade 2	0	CTSTR
Grade 3	0	CTSTR

NOTE: As a standard practice when reporting public data, the Minnesota Department of Education will not report results if fewer than 10 students participated. CTSTR = Counts too small to report

5. Screening Tools 4-12

The Minnesota READ Act requires that students in grades 4-12 who are not reading at grade level be screened for characteristics of dyslexia. In the 2024-25 school year the tool(s) used for dyslexia screening was locally determined.

The table below details the screening tool(s) used by Discovery Public School of Faribault (4081-07) to perform dyslexia screening and the criteria used to determine if students are demonstrating characteristics of dyslexia.

Dyslexia Screening Tools Used in Grades 4-12 in School Year 2024-25

Grade(s)	Screening Tool Used	Screening Tool Vendor	Criteria/ Benchmark Used
Grade 4			
Grade 5			
Grade 6	Nonsense words test	NA	Students who are unable to read nonsense words combined with test scores and class performance.
Grade 7	Nonsense words test	NA	Students who are unable to read nonsense words combined with test scores and class performance.
Grade 8	Nonsense words test	NA	Students who are unable to read nonsense words combined with test scores and class performance.
Grade 9	Nonsense words test	NA	Students who are unable to read nonsense words combined with test scores and class performance.
Grade 10	Nonsense words test	NA	Students who are unable to read nonsense words combined with test scores and class performance.
Grade 11	Nonsense words test	NA	Students who are unable to read nonsense words combined with test scores and class performance.

Grade(s)	Screening Tool Used	Screening Tool Vendor	Criteria/ Benchmark Used
Grade 12	Nonsense words test	NA	Students who are unable to read nonsense words combined with test scores and class performance.

The MDE approved tool for screening for characteristics of dyslexia for students in grades 4-12 is Capti ReadBasix. Beginning in the 2025-26 school year, this tool must be used to screen students who are not reading at grade level for characteristics of dyslexia.

The following method will be used by Discovery Public School of Faribault (4081-07) to determine which students in grades 4-12 are not reading at grade level:

The plan for both the frequency and timing (e.g. Fall, Winter, Spring) of administration of Capti ReadBasix for students in grades 4-12 who are not reading at grade level is locally determined and includes:

We will use NWEA MAP Reading Growth scores to determine which students are not reading at grade level. We will compare their scores to the average score for each grade level and if a student is below that score they will be flagged for dyslexia screening.

6. Dyslexia Screening Summary Student Counts Grades 4-12 (Optional for 2024-25 School Year)

The following table displays the number of students in Discovery Public School of Faribault (4081-07) who were identified as not reading at grade level, were screened for characteristics of dyslexia, and are demonstrating characteristics of dyslexia. NOTE: demonstrating characteristics of dyslexia is not the same as a diagnosis of dyslexia. (The reporting of this data is optional for the 2024-25 school year)

Grade	Total Number of Students in Grade Level	Number of Students Identified as Not Reading at Grade Level Who Were Screened	Number of Students Demonstrating Characteristics of Dyslexia	Number of Students Identified as Not Reading at Grade Level Who Were Opted Out of Screening
4th				
5th				
6th				
7th				
8th				
9th				
10th				
11th				
12th				

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7. Parent Notification and Involvement

The READ Act legislation requires districts to notify the parents of each student in grade K-3 who are not reading at or above grade level.

Does Discovery Public School of Faribault (4081-07) notify parents or guardians when children are identified as not reading at grade level?

Yes

The table below indicates the frequency of parent notification for each grade level.

Parent Notification Frequency by Grade

Grade	Parent Notified	Frequency of Notification
Kindergarten	No	
Grade 1	No	
Grade 2	No	
Grade 3	No	
Grade 4	No	
Grade 5	No	
Grade 6	Yes	1 time per year
Grade 7	Yes	1 time per year
Grade 8	Yes	1 time per year
Grade 9	Yes	1 time per year
Grade 10	Yes	1 time per year
Grade 11	Yes	1 time per year
Grade 12	Yes	1 time per year

The following methods are used to notify parents or guardians when children are identified as not reading at or above grade level:

- Digital_messaging (email, text, or communication app)
- Parent teacher conferences

The following content is included in the parent notification:

- Other - describe (Required)
 - All parents are notified once per year that students who are identified as reading below grade level will be screened

Families or the community are engaged around literacy through the following:

- Parent teacher conferences

Continuous Improvement for Parent Notification

Discovery Public School of Faribault (4081-07) will make the following changes to parent notification and involvement for the 2025-26 school year:

We will send a letter to parents of students who are identified as below grade level that includes the student's current reading level, strategies we will be implementing at school, and strategies the parent can use at home to help their student become more proficient in reading.

8. Data-Based Decision Making for Action

READ Act screening data should be the basis for data-based decision making to determine which students need more support in reading. This could include differentiation of core (Tier 1) instruction, supplemental (Tier 2) or intensive (Tier 3) instruction.

Discovery Public School of Faribault (4081-07) uses the following process and data to assure that evidence-based instruction and intervention matches to a student's needs:

We use a combination of NWEA MAP reading growth scores and the recommendations of our English teacher to assure that students' needs are met.

The processes for monitoring fidelity and differentiating Tier 1 instruction include:

The Director and the Literacy Lead will observe the English classroom frequently to offer support and guidance in differentiating instruction.

Criteria for entrance into supplemental (Tier 2) and/or intensive (Tier 3) targeted reading intervention include:

NWEA scores and teacher recommendations are used to determine which students receive Tier 2 support in our Reading Intervention class. Tier 3 students are selected from those students and are typically already identified as special education, so they receive their Tier 3 instruction from our special education department. Students who need Tier 3 support who are not identified as special education will likely be evaluated as the first step in the process.

Progress monitoring data collection for students in Tier 2 occurs: Other: Explain below

Teacher expertise and quarterly grades.

Progress monitoring data collection for students in Tier 3 occurs: Other: Explain below

Tier 3 progress is tracked by the sped dept.

The kindergarten - 12th grade progress monitoring protocol that has been established to determine any necessary intensifications or modifications of supplemental (Tier 2) and/or intensive (Tier 3) targeted reading instruction include:

Currently our protocol is the expert recommendation of our English/Reading Intervention teacher.

Criteria for exit from supplemental (Tier 2) and/or intensive (Tier3) targeted reading intervention include:

Students are exited from Tier 2 and/or Tier 3 reading intervention when they have improved their reading level to meet grade standards or have improved enough to demonstrate that they are on track to reach grade level standards without the extra support.

Does Discovery Public School of Faribault (4081-07) use personal learning plans for literacy:

No

The following students are provided a personal learning plan for literacy:

- No data entered

The following components are included in the personal learning plans, if used:

No data entered

Continuous Improvement for Data-Based Decision Making for Action

Discovery Public School of Faribault (4081-07) will make the following changes to data-based decision making for action processes, criteria, progress monitoring procedures or personal learning plans in the 2025-2026 school year:

Yes, we plan to implement progress monitoring in our Tier 2 Reading Intervention class. Frequency will depend on the progress monitoring tool we select.

9. Multi-tiered System of Supports (MTSS)

Districts are strongly encouraged to adopt a Multi-tiered System of Supports (MTSS) framework. This framework should include a process for:

- monitoring student progress
- evaluating program fidelity, and
- analyzing student outcomes and needs

in order to design and implement ongoing evidence-based instruction and interventions.

[Minn. Stat.120B.12, subd. 4a \(2024\)](#). MDE has developed the [Minnesota Multi-Tiered System of Supports](#) (MnMTSS) Framework and encourages districts to adopt this framework when implementing MTSS.

Discovery Public School of Faribault (4081-07) is implementing a multi-tiered system of support framework:
No

10. Core Curricular Resource Grades K-5

The Minnesota READ Act requires that districts use evidence-based curriculum materials at each grade level that are designed to ensure students mastery of phonemic awareness, phonics, vocabulary development, reading fluency, and reading comprehension. In 2024 MDE partnered with the University of Minnesota Center for Applied Research and Educational Improvement (CAREI) to identify literacy curricula that are evidence-based and aligned to structured literacy. The findings of this review can be found on the [MDE READ Act Curricula Resources-Tier I webpage](#).

Core Curricula Resources for Grades K-5

The following table displays the Core Curricula Resources utilized by Discovery Public School of Faribault (4081-07), how the recourse is used and the minutes of instructional delivery per day in grades K-5.

Grade	Implemented Curricula	Curricula Type	Instructional Delivery Minutes Per Day
Kindergarten	.		
Grade 1	.		
Grade 2	.		
Grade 3	.		
Grade 4	.		
Grade 5	.		

Continuous Improvement for Core Reading Instruction and Curricula

Discovery Public School of Faribault (4081-07) will make the following changes to core reading instruction and curricula for the 2025-26 school year:

No data entered

11. Reading Interventions

The Minnesota READ Act requires that districts use evidence-based intervention materials at each grade level that are designed to ensure students mastery of phonemic awareness, phonics, vocabulary development, reading fluency, and reading comprehension. MDE is partnering with the CAREI to identify literacy interventions that are evidence-based and aligned to structured literacy. The findings of this review will be released in November 2025.

Reading Intervention Grades K-12

The following table displays the reading intervention resources utilized by Discovery Public School of Faribault (4081-07) in all grades K-12. NOTE: Tier 2 and Tier 3 intervention resources do not have to be different.

Grade	Supplemental (Tier 2) Reading Intervention(s)	Supplemental (Tier 3) Reading Intervention(s)
Kindergarten	NA	NA
Grade 1	NA	NA
Grade 2	NA	NA
Grade 3	NA	NA
Grade 4	NA	NA
Grade 5	NA	NA
Grade 6	Read 180	Read 180
Grade 7	Read 180	Read 180
Grade 8	Read 180	Read 180
Grade 9	Read 180	Read 180
Grade 10	Read 180	Read 180
Grade 11	Read 180	Read 180
Grade 12	Read 180	Read 180

Continuous Improvement for Reading Interventions

Discovery Public School of Faribault (4081-07) will make the following changes to reading interventions for the 2025-26 school year.

We plan to purchase a new curriculum for our Tier 2 and Tier 3 interventions.

12. Section Professional Development Plan

The Minnesota READ Act requires that districts provide teachers and instructional support staff with responsibility for teaching reading with training on evidence-based reading instruction as approved by MDE. The following section details the district or charter school's professional development plan.

Discovery Public School of Faribault (4081-07) is using the following approved professional development program:

- CORE OLLA

Date of expected completion for Phase 1 Professional Development: 10/06/2025

Synchronous professional development sessions were facilitated by:

- Vendor Provided Facilitator

The Local Certified Facilitator (LCF) participated in the Community of Practices for LCFs:

No data entered

The following support will be provided to teachers who do not complete the approved training at the vendor recommended 80% proficiency level:

The district will provide additional training for teachers who do not complete the approved training at the vendor recommended 80% proficiency level.

The following fidelity data is collected to ensure that elementary teachers are able to implement explicit, systematic, evidence-based instruction in the five areas of phonemic awareness, phonics, fluency, vocabulary, and comprehension:

We do not employ any elementary teachers.

Based on the results of the fidelity data, the following coaching support and feedback is implemented to ensure that all elementary teachers are able to implement explicit, systematic, evidence-based instruction in the following five areas of instruction: phonemic awareness, phonics, fluency, vocabulary, and comprehension:

We do not employ any elementary teachers.

The following changes in instructional practices have impacted students :

We do not employ any elementary teachers.

Discovery Public School of Faribault (4081-07) has implemented the following professional development and support for teachers around culturally responsive practices:

We did not provide any additional literacy focused professional development opportunities during the current school year.

Discovery Public School of Faribault (4081-07) engaged with the Regional Literacy Network through the following:

- Requested district support with implementation of evidence-based structured literacy practices

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The following additional literacy focused professional development opportunities will be provided and may include alignment to the strands of the ELA Standards (reading, writing, and exchanging ideas):

We did not provide any additional literacy focused professional development opportunities during the current school year.

Continuous Improvement for Professional Development Plan

Discovery Public School of Faribault (4081-07) will make the following changes to the professional development plan for the 2025-26 school year:

We plan to implement professional development to support all staff in supporting literacy across subjects.

13. Professional Development Educator Count

The following tables provide the number of educators in the district or charter school who have met the READ Act professional development requirements, the number who are currently in training and the number who still need training. This training is occurring in phases, the details for which can be found on the [MDE READ Act Professional Development webpage](#).

Educator Count Phase 1

Phase 1: Educator Role	Total Number in District or Charter Organization	Educators who have completed Training	Educators with Training in Progress	Educators who,need Training
PreK Classroom and Part B/619 Early Childhood Special Education Educators responsible for early literacy instruction	0	0	0	0
PreK ? 12 Educators who work with English learners (Licensed ELL teachers)	0	0	0	0
K-3 Classroom Educators	0	0	0	0
Grades 4-5 (or 6) Classroom Educators (as determined by district)	0	0	0	0
K-12 Reading Interventionists	1	0	1	0
K-12 Special Education Educators responsible for reading instruction	2	0	1	1
PreK through grade 5 Curriculum Directors	0	0	0	0
PreK through grade 5 Instructional Support Staff who provide reading support	0	0	0	0

Educator Count Phase 2

Phase 2: Educator Role	Total Number in District or Charter Organization	Educators who have completed Training	Educators with Training in Progress	Educators who need Training

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Grades 4-12 Classroom Educators responsible for reading instruction	1	0	0	1
Grades K-Age 21 Educators who work with students who qualify for the graduation incentives program under section 124D.68	0	0	0	0
Grades 6-12 Instructional support staff who provide reading support	3	0	0	3
Grades 6-12 Curriculum Directors	1	0	0	1
Employees who select literacy instructional materials for Grades 6-12	0	0	0	0

14. Literacy Aid Funds

Literacy Incentive Aid

The following are details about annual Literacy Incentive Aid.

Discovery Public School of Faribault (4081-07) received the following amount of Literacy Incentive Aid in the 2024-25 school year:

\$0.00

Amount of Literacy Incentive Aid spent in the 2024-25 school year:

\$0.00

Literacy incentive aid funds were applied to the following eligible uses in the 2024-25 school year:

- Not applicable

READ Act Literacy Aid

The following are details about the one-time READ Act Literacy Aid appropriations.

Discovery Public School of Faribault (4081-07) received the following amount of READ Act Literacy Aid in the 2025 school year:

\$4,000.00

READ Act Literacy incentive aid funds were applied to the following eligible uses in the 2025 fiscal year:

- Approved literacy screeners (this can include materials, training and coaching)
- Stipends for teachers completing literacy training

The following amount of READ Act Literacy Aid remains in the required reserved account:

\$4000

If funds remain, the plan to spend down the remaining funds are as follows:

We plan to spend these funds as indicated on the previous page, as stipends to teachers completing professional development and to purchase a screening tool.