Prescott Valley, Arizona
Bradshaw Mountain Middle School (7-8)
Glassford Hill Middle School (7-8)
Liberty Traditional School (K-8)
## Gear-Up Middle Grade Initiative Grant

### Professional Development

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<th>20 staff members from BMMS, GHMS, and LTS attended the following AZK-12 Center’s trainings.</th>
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<td>• Hands on Minds</td>
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<td>• Differentiated Instruction for Math</td>
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### Student Advisory Groups

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<th>3-4 teachers from each campus were selected as Student Advisory Group Leaders. MGI grant covered a stipend for each leader to plan and implement the “SAG” classes on each campus.</th>
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We have met with our SAG groups multiple times this year and our focus was on GOAL SETTING:

1. Understand the ACT Explore results and set individual learning goals for this school year.

- Why do my current scores look the way they do? (good/bad)
- What can I do to better understand the content?
  - What are my personal responsibilities?
- What are the benefits of using test-taking strategies correctly and consistently?
- Practice those test taking strategies on a regular basis.
2. Set college goals and discuss the following:

- What are your career options?
- What are your college options?
- What scores/requirements are needed for college entrance?
- How can you pay for college/find funding sources
GHMS Student Advisory Groups

- **SPARKS**
  - Search Institute Curriculum
  - Variety of lesson to help students identify their “Spark”
  - Advisor share their “Spark”
  - Making connections in the group

- **Goal Setting**
  - Students learn how to read district assessment data
  - Students learn how to write achievable goals for grades and assessments
  - Students learn how to talk to parents about their goals
GHMS Student Advisory Groups

- Advisory Groups met nine times throughout the school year for data and goal work.
- Advisory Groups had data meetings with parents.
- Advisory Groups had four times during the school year to celebrate “Sparks” with Career Days and Engineering Expos.
- Culminating Activity with Advisory Groups in May to select advisors for next year.
BMMS Student Advisory Groups

**Goal 1: School Culture**
- “Go-to” teacher
- Small social group
- Team-Building Activities
- Inspirational Ted Talks/Videos
- Review of school climate and expectations
- Testing groups
- AVID Binder Checks

**Goal 2: Data Drill Down**
- Student awareness and accountability
- Galileo test data, Explore ACT, grades, and attendance
- Graphing and analysis of data
- Writing short-term academic goals with strategies.
- Review 2x per quarter
BMMS Student Advisory Groups

Goal 4: College and Career Readiness

• College Fair
• Creating long-term college and career goals with strategies
• EXPLORE analysis

Benefits at BMMS

• Time for planning of SAG curriculum
• Data goes beyond the “data wall”
• Fulfills part of the role that was missed from having a school counselor
• Created “safe-place” / “family” for students