Under the agreement for 2015
Sunshine Beach State High School will receive $365,822*

*Estimated on 2014 data. Actual funding will be determined after 2015 enrolment data is finalised.

This funding will be used to

- Every student in Year 7 or 9 will meet the National Minimum Standard for literacy and numeracy, or will have an individual learning plan to address specific needs.
- Increase the percentage of students in the NAPLAN upper two bands (Reading and Numeracy) to be comparable with the national percentages.
- Improve whole school attendance from 88.5% (2014) to 90% +.
- Maintain 100% students attaining a Queensland Certificate of Education (QCE).

Our strategy will be to

- Continue the Explicit Improvement Agenda around literacy, numeracy and attendance.
- Use a research based teaching and learning framework consistently across the school.
- Delivering “Activating Thinking” routine to improve reading comprehension and inferential thinking.
- Continued implementation of in-class support model to maximise teacher sharing and growth.
- Use short term data sets to respond quickly and effectively.
- Develop teacher capability in teaching reading and reading comprehension.
- Embed classroom observation and feedback to support teacher reflective practice.
- Plan curriculum to explicitly target higher order thinking, vocabulary, and student self-reflection.
- Engage parents in student learning to improve student disposition.
- Track attendance closely and maintain the school’s culture of “every day counts”.

Our school will improve student outcomes by

- Employing two teachers to enable the use of our in-house master teachers to provide support, modelling and coaching - $150 000.
- Employ absentee officer and Youth Support Coordinator to proactively improve attendance - $20 000.
- Provide professional development (reading, curriculum planning, numeracy, ICPs) - $50 000.
- Employ deputy principal to oversee accountability and performance - $98 000.
- Provide resources to staff for teaching and learning - $22 500.
- Provide training to Heads of Year (HOYs) to improve student disposition/emotional wellbeing - $5 000.
- Employ teacher aide to engage students through alternative programs - $20 000.

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