DESTINATION 2022: DRIVEN BY DESIGN
A COMPREHENSIVE 5-YEAR STRATEGIC PLAN

A LOOK AHEAD
2017-2022

The future of Waukegan Public Schools built in the vision of its stakeholders

EQUITY + ACCESS = EXCELLENCE

WAUKEGAN COMMUNITY UNIT SCHOOL DISTRICT # 60
A Message From The Superintendent

I began the process of creating a strategic plan for Waukegan Community School District # 60 with a comprehensive listening tour last spring. I visited all stakeholder groups, organizations and community entities in large town hall meetings, forums, small group settings, classrooms and sometimes, personal home visits.

My goal was to determine just what the Waukegan Community believed it needed and wanted for its most precious resource – Our Children. The community was clear in its voice and desire for our children: it wants a school district that provides the resources children need to grow into adults who set the world ablaze. A school district that focuses on the whole child. The community wants a school district that will support each child reach his or her potential, so that they may achieve their dreams.

To realize the goal requires a systemic change. Changes that ensure a focus on student outcomes at every level. Changes that will mitigate and extinguish overarching factors of race, gender, poverty, disability or language; and thus, destroying dreams before they even manifest.

This strategic plan is the foundational work aligning all divisions, departments, schools, staff and resources towards our ultimate goal of providing students “a diverse world class educational institution that engages, equips and empowers all children to be successful change agents in an ever changing global society.”

It is an honor to serve the community of Waukegan. I am excited about the work ahead of us and the future of our children.

Theresa Plascencia
Superintendent of Schools
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Mission

Educating students for the world of tomorrow is our top priority. Through mobilization of the entire community, we will challenge, teach and inspire our students. We will provide the resources to serve each of our students, expecting excellence from all involved. We will deliver an exciting education in a safe learning environment that celebrates our diversity and similarities in a spirit of unity and respect.

Vision

Waukegan Community School District #60 is a diverse, world-class educational institution that engages, equips and empowers all children to be successful change-agents in an ever-changing global society.

Core Beliefs

1. We believe that ALL children will learn.

2. We believe that parents are empowered and informed partners who actively participate in their child’s learning.

3. We believe that teachers create an instructional environment that addresses the emotional, social, cultural and academic needs of all children to improve student learning.

4. We believe that principals encourage and grow all stakeholders to improve student learning.

5. We believe that the purpose of the district office is to create opportunities for organizational effectiveness to improve student learning.

“It’s not about putting labels on kids. It’s about being able to move them from where they are to where they need to go. We have to open the door for them to walk through.”

-Superintendent Theresa Plascencia
Waukegan’s Pride Points

1. In 2015, the District began offering full-day kindergarten at five elementary schools. Beginning in 2017-2018, all elementary schools will offer full-day kindergarten. This initiative greatly helps meet the needs that many early childhood students face.

2. The District has seen a two level jump in its credit rating, which is currently at ‘A’. Additionally, the District has improved its financial profile with the State Board of Education. These financial accomplishments are especially impressive considering that they were accomplished while the country was suffering through its worst recession in 70 years.

3. Recent graduating classes have consistently earned more than $15 million in scholarship to assist them in their post-secondary endeavors.

4. The District has worked hard to maintain funding to fine arts programs from elementary school through high school. Our programs are recognized as being amongst the best in the area.

5. The District launched the 1:1 technology program at both high school and all middle schools. This program gives students unprecedented access to resources, and is transforming how students learn, interact with instructors and engage with curriculum.

6. The District completed a $37.7 million expansion project at 12 elementary schools. The project was the largest expansion in District history. It was completed on time and within the budget, setting benchmarks for minority and local involvement.

Equity + Access = Excellence
Our School System

• 16,819 Students
• 1 Pre-K School
• 15 Elementary Schools
• 5 Middle Schools
• 1 High School in Three Buildings

Our System Resources

• Operating Budget: $180,242,798
• Capital Improvements: $2,779,249
• 2,100 employees
• 1,038 teachers

Our Services

• 55% students eligible for free/reduced priced meals
• 14% students receive specialized education services
• 32% students in “English Learner Programs”

Our Students

- White
- Black
- Hispanic
- Asian
- American Indian
- Two or more races
- Pacific Islander

Our Performance

Waukegan Public School District 60 has a 71% graduation rate
The Superintendent’s Listening and Learning Tour

Prior to her start as Superintendent of WPS60, Ms. Theresa Plascencia conducted a comprehensive 102-stop Listening and Learning tour throughout the Waukegan Community. Ms. Plascencia listened while parents, students, staff and community members shared what they loved about Waukegan Schools, as well as their suggestions on how they’d like to see their schools improved.

During her Listening Tour, Ms. Plascencia visited students at every school, including both High School campuses and AOEC. Students were preselected by their principals. They met with Ms. Plascencia in small groups where they discussed their teachers, favorite subjects, what they loved about their school and improvements they’d like to see. In total, Ms. Plascencia met with more than 330 students.

All WPS60 parents were invited with letters sent home and District robo calls. Events were held in the evenings, and varied from large question-and-answer sessions, to small, intimate chats. Visits with the WPS60 staff were the most heavily-attended events on the Listening and Learning Tour. Ms. Plascencia met with more than 850 staff members in large, building- or department-wide events. The events were typically held before or after school, and gave staff a chance to share their thoughts on what their building/department is doing well, as well as what supports and programs they need to be better educators. During the tour Ms. Plascencia also visited with several community groups, including governmental partners, non-profits organizations, educational partners and business leaders, to discuss their vision for Waukegan Public Schools, and how we can partner better in the future to improve conditions for all students.

The Superintendent has continued to listen to staff, students and community members since joining District 60, and she maintains an open door policy for anyone with concerns or questions.

"Alone we are smart, together we are brilliant."
- Steven Anderson, Educator
Purpose

The purpose of my 100-day entry plan is to ensure that my vision aligns to all District priorities. First and foremost, I plan on creating learning cycles that allow a cyclical framework to exist so that all levels of learning are positively impacted. My belief is that a leader must first listen, observe, question, and then lead, to determine the fidelity of the educational institution. The information and data collected during our first 100 days helped guide the creation of a District 5-Year Strategic Plan. This plan is designed to gain understanding and assess the organization’s efficacy. The activities listed below served as the blueprint for a seamless transition to District 60. This is a living document and adjustments will be made as needs arise.

The entry plan will contain three phases:

Equity
The process in which we educate our children. Educational equity promotes real life possibilities resulting in educational results for each individual student’s successful achievement.

Access
Ensures that the educational institution and District policies provide equitable opportunities for all students, regardless of race, religion, gender, sexual orientation, disability, perceived intellectual ability, past academic performance, special education status, English-Language proficiency, and family income, or educational attainment levels.

Excellence
The expectation and standard that best practice is at the forefront of the District’s goals. Leadership, teaching, and community engagement are of the highest quality, based on the most innovative and proven education strategies and research methodologies. Rigorous, nourishing, critical and creative thinking is responsive to all constituents.
Superintendent’s Initiatives

**STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT:**
To focus organizational improvement and align District resources to ensure all students receive a world class education that eliminates the achievement gap.

**COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT:**
To ensure that all stakeholders are engaged, and have a voice in the instructional institution of the District, which promotes transparency, trust, and collaborative relationships.

**ORGANIZATIONAL EFFECTIVENESS:**
To focus organizational efforts and align resources to support District schools and student achievement.

**INSTITUTIONAL ACCESS:**
To ensure that all students and staff are empowered and have access to a world class educational system.

**SUPPORTIVE CLIMATE:**
To establish a positive and effective climate that cultivates a drive for excellence, which promotes student achievement and fosters a premier District that is committed to the success of all students.

Equity + Access = Excellence
A Theory Of Action... What Is It?

Some Scholarly Thoughts...

“A theory of action is a set of underlying assumptions about how we move our organization from its current state to its desired future.” – Judy Skupa

A theory of action is “your best thinking made explicit... Your rationale for choosing one strategy over another...Your predicted course of action” – Harriette Thurber Rasmussen

A theory of action is an “If/Then” correlation. If we do “X”, then “Y” will happen and we will see this result.”

Why Do WE use a Theory of Action

- Aligns intended theory with the realities of work within an actual organization.
- Connects strategy to the actions and relationships critical to good instruction and student learning.
- Identifies the mutual dependencies that are required to get the complex work of improvement done.
- Grounded in research or evidence-based practice.
- Begins with a statement of a causal relationship between what I/we do and what constitutes a good result in the organization.
- High leverage for achievement and equity
- Powerful enough to transform programs and practices.

Adapted from Instructional Rounds in Education – Elizabeth City, Richard F. Elmore, Sarah E. Fiarman and Lee Teitel, 2009
## Theory Of Action

### District Leadership Team

#### If... Central Office...
- Builds Capacity of Principals as instructional leaders
- Serves & supports schools
- Develops instructional core & strategies while building capacity of principals
- Empowers Principals by building their instructional capacity
- Support schools in order to build capacity in all staff

#### Then... Principals...
- Become change agents empowered to coach, develop teachers
- Hire, retain, develop & equip teachers
- Become powerful instructional coaches
- Have instructional skill set support & reinforce Teaching & Learning
- Support and coach each teacher

#### Then... Teachers...
- Deliver high-quality instruction
- Utilize tools, data-driven, research-based instructional strategies with fidelity
- Implement research-based strategies effectively
- Clear curriculum roadmap & instruct tool box
- Grow instructionally in work with students

#### Then... Students...
- Achieve in reading & other academic areas
- Achieve at high levels
- Achieve at high levels becoming college / career ready
- Graduate college and career ready
- Academic outcomes will increase their opportunities to become college & career ready

### Team Actions to Support District Theory Of Action

- Align our actions and initiatives so that they exemplify support of schools.
- Each department develops a Theory of Action (TOA) aligned to District's TOA.
- Unpack the TOA and define a common language, next steps, and actions.
- Provide support, be responsive and reflective.
- Work with schools to develop annual benchmarks that are unique to each school which improves educational outcomes for all students.
The Strategic Planning Process

Waukegan Community Unit School District #60 continued the process of collaboratively developing the strategic plan during the summer of the 2016-2017 school year after the conclusion of the Superintendent’s Listening and Learning Tour. All stakeholders were involved in the overall development of WPS60. These stakeholders included:

- Students
- Parents
- Certified Staff Members
- Community & Civic Members
- District Level Administrators
- Site Level Administrators
- Board of Education Members

The next step was the establishment of collective core beliefs of WPS60 as an organization. The core beliefs became the tenets for all strategic planning thereafter. The WPSD60 Strategic Plan is the culmination of a comprehensive review of each division and their corresponding departments to ensure alignment with the overall goals of the district. In preparation of the strategic plan development, a review/research was conducted which encompassed an extensive and thorough review of:

- District-Wide Student Outcomes
- Capital Outlay Expenditures
- School Improvement Plans
- Facilities Improvement Plan
- Multi-Year Projected Budget Audit
- Detailed Demographic Data
- Illinois “5Essential” Data
- Community & Stakeholder Forums

Additionally, an exhaustive district-wide SWOT (strengths, weaknesses, opportunities, and threats) Analysis was performed, which has been a very useful framework for analyzing the organization’s Strengths and Weaknesses as well as the Opportunities and Threats the District faces. This SWOT Analysis allows the district to focus upon the strengths of WPS60 while minimizing the threats and taking the greatest possible advantage of opportunities available for maximum improvement.
Why We Plan

This Strategic Plan is the culmination of the District’s efforts to enhance those strengths and enhance any existing weaknesses, thereby building the best **WPSD60** possible for our children.

**WPS60** Strategic Plan is the blueprint for reaching the maximum levels of improvement in student achievement, at all levels of performance and ability, while simultaneously shrinking the gap in achievement among racial/ethnic populations. It provides a clear picture to the community, staff and other stakeholders of student expectations, the strategies employed to achieve the Board’s goals and an accountability system put in place to monitor the results.

The vision and goals articulated in this Strategic Plan provide the philosophical foundation of the policies stated herein. In turn, the policies approved by the Board will be implemented by the Superintendent of Schools to guide the administration and staff in ensuring compliance.

The implementation of the **WPS60** Strategic Plan begins with the leadership of the Superintendent followed by each school, as they annually develop and deploy school improvement plans that are aligned with the Board’s to accomplish the Board’s main goals. The Strategic Plan will guide the administration and staff of each school throughout the system in their work with students, parents and the community as a whole.

The Strategic Plan is divided into three distinct sections: **Section 1: Learning and Schools; Section 2: Leadership Development; and Section 3: Related Services**. Learning and Schools speaks to what our students will know and be able to do academically. Leadership Development involves how the district functions to support Learning and Schools. Related Services focuses more on the physical and psychological aspect of our school buildings—as this is where our students spend most of their time.
Organizational Division & Departments

Section 1: Learning and Schools

Academic Supports and Programs (ASP)
• Diverse Learners (A.D.L.)
• Alternative Education (A.A.E.)
• English Learners (A.E.L.)
• Secondary Education (A.S.E.)
• Early Childhood and Elementary (A.E.C.)

Operations, Safety and Facilities (OSF)
• Maintenance and Operations (O.M.O.)
• Crisis Intervention and Safety (O.C.S.)

Section 2: Leadership Development

School Leadership
• Principals
• Assistant Principals
• Teacher Leaders
• Instructional Coaches

Section 3: Related Services

Student Services
• Transportation (S.S.T.)
• Student Nutrition (S.S.N.)
• Registration/Welcome Center (S.S.R.)

Strategy and Accountability (SA)
• Business Services (S.B.S.)
• Human Resources (S.H.R.)
• Informational Technology (S.I.T.)
Section 1
Learning And Schools
STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT:
To focus organizational improvement and align district resources to ensure all students receive a world-class education that eliminates the achievement gap in the future.

Academic Supports and Programs will provide all students a challenging and well-rounded education through programmatic and curricular offerings with the goal of one hundred percent (100%) graduation.

DEPARTMENTAL ALIGNED ACTIVITIES:
Develop continual and periodic monitoring measures for student growth in all grades including:
- Reading by Grade 3 with a Focus on Primary Literacy
- Proficiency in reading and math by grade 3
- High school readiness by grade 8
- College readiness by grade 11
- Increase High school graduation rate
- Increase Freshmen on Track Rate
- Expand Magnet School Options

Expand course offerings to include, but not limited to:
- Aligned K-12 curriculum in core subject areas
- Fine arts
- Extra-curricular activities
- AP and Honors coursework
- Magnet School Options
- Dual Credit Options
- Avid College Readiness System to all 9th Graders

Multiple tiers of instruction and intervention to ensure that all students have access to high quality supports.

Provide alternative paths for students to graduate.

Design and implement a new school design for a high school focusing on STEM and/or technology.

“Our job is to teach the students we have. Not the ones we would like to have. Not the ones we used to have. Those we have right now. All of them.”
– Dr. Kevin Maxwell, Educator
COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT:
To ensure that all stakeholders are engaged, and have a voice in the instructional institution of the District, which promotes transparency, trust, and collaborative relationships.

Academic Supports and Programs will provide all stakeholders opportunities to attain essential information, awareness, and skills to support and engage them as partners in education.

**DEPARTMENTAL ALIGNED ACTIVITIES:**
- Focus Groups with all Stakeholders
- Staff Surveys
- Student Surveys
- Parent Surveys
- Informational Meetings

ORGANIZATIONAL EFFECTIVENESS:
To focus organizational efforts and align resources to support District schools and student achievement.

Academic Supports and Programs will provide all stakeholders opportunities to attain essential information, awareness, and skills to support and engage them as partners in education.

**DEPARTMENTAL ALIGNED ACTIVITIES:**
- Focus on aligning staffing to programs essential to student achievement

INSTITUTIONAL ACCESS:
To ensure that all students and staff are empowered and have access to a world-class educational system.

Academic, Supports and Programs will celebrate the diverse needs of the staff and students and ensure the professional, social and academic uniqueness of each individual in each stakeholder group.

**DEPARTMENTAL ALIGNED ACTIVITIES:**
- Provide students access to updated, functional technology in order to complete their coursework toward graduation requirements (AAE).
- Develop clear, rigorous pathway to graduation
- Establish and implement a graduation plan with all freshmen

SUPPORTIVE CLIMATE:
To establish a positive and effective climate that cultivates a drive for excellence that promotes student achievement and fosters a premier District that is committed to the success of all students.

Academic Supports and Programs will provide all stakeholders opportunities to attain essential information, awareness, and skills to support and engage them as partners in education.

**DEPARTMENTAL ALIGNED ACTIVITIES:**
- Develop and implement common curriculum and assessment system in all content areas
- Build teacher capacity to implement highly effective instructional strategies
- Provide tools, resources and professional development and monitor a school wide behavior plan
- Implement Social Emotional standards K-12
- Ensure a continuum of high quality services are provided to our Diverse Learner and English Language Learners
# THE DIVISION OF ACADEMICS, SUPPORTS AND PROGRAMS DIVISIONAL GOALS

**DISTRICT GOAL 1: STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT**

To focus organizational improvement and align district resources to ensure all students receive a world-class education that eliminates the achievement gap.

The Division of Academics Supports and Programs will provide all students a challenging and well-rounded education through programmatic and curricular offerings with the goal of one hundred percent (100%) graduation.

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<td>Develop continual and periodic monitoring measures for student growth of all grades such as:</td>
<td>Implement primary literacy assessment for grades K-2 Pilot Math program [5 elementary schools] Create Pupil Progression Plan</td>
<td>Math program Expansion to additional 5 elementary schools Implement Pupil Progression Plan Develop and implement progress monitoring protocols</td>
<td>Math program completion final 5 elementary schools Continue analysis of student growth assessment data</td>
<td>Review curriculum effectiveness using student growth and attainment as data. Update curriculum based on data</td>
<td>Implement updated curriculum</td>
<td>K-5 Coordinators Directors Academic Chairs</td>
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<td>Expand course offerings to include but not limited to:</td>
<td>Expand Balanced Literacy Initiative Apply for Magnet School Grant Development of an aligned curriculum in all core subject areas Ensure all K-5 schools offer music, and art to all students</td>
<td>Using a pilot model begin implementation of aligned curriculum to 1/3 of K-5 buildings as well as 5 middle schools Implement High School redesign project to include expansion of AP and Honors courses</td>
<td>Expand pilot program to additional 1/3 of K-5 buildings Continue expanding AP and Honors options for all High school students</td>
<td>Review and analyze data from curriculum implementation Develop adjusted plans</td>
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<td>K-5 Coordinators Directors Academic Chairs Teachers School Administrators</td>
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<td>Multiple tiers of instruction and intervention to ensure that all students have access.</td>
<td>Research and identify interventions and supports for Tier 2 and 3 students Implement interventions in ELA and begin research on Math Interventions</td>
<td>Implement Math Interventions Analyze both academic and social emotional data Develop next steps</td>
<td>Evaluate intervention programs and adjust plan as necessary</td>
<td>Implementation plan</td>
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<td>Provide alternate paths for students to graduate.</td>
<td>Research alternate paths to graduation and identity plan for WPS60</td>
<td>Begin implementation of plan</td>
<td>Monitor student enrollment in alternate paths</td>
<td>Evaluate alternate paths for graduation</td>
<td>Implement updated plan</td>
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**DISTRICT GOAL 2-COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT:** To ensure that all stakeholders are engaged and have a voice in the instructional institution of the district which promotes transparency, trust and collaborative relationships.

Academics Supports and Programs will provide all stakeholders, opportunities to attain essential information, awareness, and skills to support and engage them as partners in education.

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<th>Develop relationships with various community agencies to create support structures for students and families.</th>
<th>Develop outreach and communication plan to ensure all stakeholders are contributing members to development of ASAP programs</th>
<th>Implement communication plan</th>
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**DISTRICT GOAL 3- ORGANIZATIONAL EFFECTIVENESS:** To focus organizational efforts and align resources to support district schools and student achievement.

*Academics Supports and Programs will ensure that fiscal, operational and staffing decisions are made that adequately and appropriately support schools and student learning.*

| ASAP department will audit and evaluate all programs initiated from the department and make adjustments to ensure financial efficiency and academic progress including school based and central office department positions | Conduct audit and evaluate all programs to ensure fiscal, operational and staffing decisions are made adequately and equitably Make adjustments as necessary | Conduct audit and evaluate all programs to ensure fiscal, operational and staffing decisions are made adequately and equitably Make adjustments as necessary | Conduct audit and evaluate all programs to ensure fiscal, operational and staffing decisions are made adequately and equitably Make adjustments as necessary | Conduct audit and evaluate all programs to ensure fiscal, operational and staffing decisions are made adequately and equitably Make adjustments as necessary | Deputy Superintendent |

**DISTRICT GOAL 4- INSTITUTIONAL ACCESS:** To ensure that all students and staff are empowered and have access to a world-class educational system.

*Academic Supports and Program will celebrate the diverse needs of the staff and students and ensure the professional, social and academic uniqueness of each individual in each stakeholder group.*

| Provide students access to updated, functional technology in order to complete their coursework towards graduation requirements. | Identify SEL curriculum and pilot in five K-5 buildings Develop an instructional technology expansion plan | Implement instructional technology plan Provide PD to teachers in support of implementation Collect data on implementation of plan Collect student growth data | Analyze data and update Instructional technology supports accordingly Expand PD on instructional technology in response to data | Implement updated plan Review and revise | Implement updated plan | A.A.E. |
DISTRICT GOAL 5 - SUPPORTIVE CLIMATE: To establish a positive and effective climate that cultivates a drive for excellence that is committed to the success of all students.

**Academic Supports and Program** will ensure that departmental and school site plans are data driven and towards the efforts of continuous improvement.

| ASAP will establish structures and supports to assist schools in creating a collaborative effort among all stakeholders in leadership and academics. This will include but is not limited to establishing systems for ILT, grade level meetings and SIP planning. | Work with staff to develop structures and protocols that will guide decision making process in schools. Provide PD to ILT and GLT in implementation of the protocols. | Support school teams in implementation of developed structures and protocols. Monitor implementation of protocols and assist teams as needed. Collect/analyze survey data on effectiveness of protocols. | Support school teams in implementation of developed structures and protocols. Monitor implementation of protocols and assist teams as needed. Collect/analyze survey data on effectiveness of protocols. | Support school teams in implementation of developed structures and protocols. Monitor implementation of protocols and assist teams as needed. Collect/analyze survey data on effectiveness of protocols. | Associate superintendents, Directors, School leadership |
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Operations, Safety & Facilities
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**STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT:**
To focus organizational improvement and align district resources to ensure all students receive a world-class education that eliminates the achievement gap.

Operations, Safety & Facilities will provide facilities that are conducive to learning by removing physical, health and aesthetic barriers to student achievement.

**DEPARTMENTAL ALIGNED ACTIVITIES:**
1. Ensure cleaning and maintenance is maintained on a scheduled basis.
2. Support academic departments with implementation for programmatic initiatives.

**COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT:**
To ensure that all stakeholders are engaged, and have a voice in the instructional institution of the District, which promotes transparency, trust, and collaborative relationships.

Operations, Safety & Facilities will create relationships and partnerships with schools and community organizations that promote safe school environments at all district facilities.

**DEPARTMENTAL ALIGNED ACTIVITIES:**
1. Provide regular customer service training to department staff.
2. Conduct monthly meetings with building level administration to understand operational needs.

**ORGANIZATIONAL EFFECTIVENESS:**
To focus organizational efforts and align resources to support District schools and student achievement.

Operations, Safety & Facilities will devise planning measures and benchmarks that ensure appropriate resources are best used and projects are timely.

**DEPARTMENTAL ALIGNED ACTIVITIES:**
1. Create a training protocol to ensure all district staff properly utilize the established maintenance and scheduling software.
2. Perform random and schedule building inspections.

**INSTITUTIONAL ACCESS:**
To ensure that all students and staff are empowered and have access to a worldclass educational system.

Operations, Safety & Facilities will enhance the building environment to promote 21st Century learning.

**DEPARTMENTAL ALIGNED ACTIVITIES:**
1. Provide necessary infrastructure.
2. Incorporate department programs and projects into district curriculum.

**SUPPORTIVE CLIMATE:**
To establish a positive and effective climate that cultivates a drive for excellence that promotes student achievement and fosters a premier District that is committed to the success of all students.

Operations, Safety & Facilities will provide facilities that exhibit the importance of health, safety, and cleanliness.

**DEPARTMENTAL ALIGNED ACTIVITIES:**
1. Use innovative solutions to maintain facilities regardless of building usage.
2. Through meetings, create an environment of shared responsibility for the cleanliness and maintenance of the building.

“Students don’t care how much you know, until they know how much you care.”
- Rita Pierson, Educator
# OPERATIONS, SAFETY AND FACILITIES

## DISTRICT GOAL 1-STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT: To focus organizational improvement and align district resources to ensure all students receive a world-class education that eliminates the achievement gap

Operations, Safety and Facilities will provide facilities that are conducive to learning by removing physical, health and aesthetic barriers to student achievement.

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<td>Ensure cleaning and maintenance is maintained on a scheduled basis.</td>
<td>Operations: Enhance School Dude features and capabilities to monitor custodial and maintenance staff. Provide staff training in core job functions and as necessary.</td>
<td>Operations: Department Administration will perform weekly spot checks on a minimum of 25% of scheduled custodial and maintenance functions assigned through School Dude, ensuring physical is done to standard and completion documentation is thorough and accurate.</td>
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<td>Safety: Collaborate with Building Admin to ensure yearly logistical items are achieved in a timely manner. Building Vulnerability Assessments, ROE Inspections, School Drills, Bullying Calendar, Emergency Calendar, Safety Plan, Go-Kits, Overtime/Extra Hours, Board Meetings, CPI, PREPaRE Training, Threat Assessments</td>
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**DISTRICT GOAL 2-COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT:** To ensure that all stakeholders are engaged and have a voice in the instructional institution of the district which promotes transparency, trust and collaborative relationships.

Operations, Safety and Facilities will create relationships and partnerships with schools and community organizations that promote safe school environments at all district facilities.

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<td>Conduct monthly meetings with building level administration to understand operational needs.</td>
<td>Safety: ESS, WHS-Building Admin, Operations Meeting, Athletics, IT and all other departments as needed Operations: Meet with building Principals and department heads on a monthly basis to review work requests, job performance of building staff, special events hosted in the building, and future project requests. Meet with high school administration on a weekly basis to review the same items.</td>
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Operations, Safety and Facilities will devise planning measures and benchmarks that ensure appropriate resources are best used and projects are timely.

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<td><strong>Operations:</strong> School Dude Coordinator will train new staff on the program at Great Beginnings.</td>
<td><strong>Operations:</strong> Maintenance technicians and Head Custodians will be trained on a quarterly basis on School Dude and how to report hours worked and materials ordered to complete work orders.</td>
<td><strong>Operations:</strong> All department inventory will be entered and tracked in School Dude. Training will be provided on an annual basis to the Warehouse Head Receiving Clerk.</td>
<td><strong>Operations:</strong> Capital Planning software will be incorporated into School Dude for future budgetary planning. Previously referenced trainings ongoing.</td>
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<td><strong>Operations:</strong> Create and Establish a ‘School Dude Coordinator’ position to manage the established maintenance and scheduling software ‘School Dude’.</td>
<td><strong>Operations:</strong> Create an internal department schedule for walkthroughs and routine safety inspections. Building Vulnerabilities, safety checks, drills and equipment inspections.</td>
<td><strong>Operations:</strong> Each department supervisor will perform two random job performance inspections on a weekly basis, one custodial and one maintenance end record findings on internal inspection tool.</td>
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Operations, Safety and Facilities will enhance the building environment to promote 21st century learning.

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**DISTRICT GOAL 5 - SUPPORTIVE CLIMATE**: To establish a positive and effective climate that cultivates a drive for excellence that is committed to the success of all students.

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<td>Through meetings, create an environment of shared responsibility for the cleanliness and maintenance of the building.</td>
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STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT:
To focus organizational improvement and align district resources to ensure all students receive a world-class education that eliminates the achievement gap.

School Leadership will develop school leaders to recognize school and student needs so that all students realize academic progress.

DEPARTMENTAL AlIGNED ACTIVITIES:
1. Provide high-quality instructional support on the implementation of a set of focused, culturally responsive preK-12 best practices and an aligned curricular framework through instructional coaching.
2. Engage in reciprocal communication across the District so that there are clear expectations for rigor and student achievement.
3. Ensure data-drive decision-making is utilized to identify student needs and to grow all student to meet and exceed grade level expectations.
4. Ensure all schools have access to and equity of resources that support teaching and learning.

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT:
To ensure that all stakeholders are engaged, and have a voice in the instructional institution of the District, which promotes transparency, trust, and collaborative relationships.

School Leadership will improve schools and school leader's efficacy in community outreach and in reach.

DEPARTMENTAL AlIGNED ACTIVITIES:
1. Increase relationships/partnerships with external organizations, including faith-based and intergovernmental organizations.
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3. Provide timely and ongoing parent-learning opportunities tied to needs, for example, identified in regular parent surveys.

School Leadership will expand the ability of school leaders and administrators to purport instructional leadership.

DEPARTMENTAL AlIGNED ACTIVITIES:
1. Establish two-way communication opportunities with local businesses in order to enhance career focused instruction.
2. Build a diverse staff at the school level in an effort to accomplish cultural trust within the Community.
3. Draft and implement an employee handbook to ensure that the use of District policy and procedures are maximizing the overall organization's effectiveness.
4. Support the alignment of and the efficiency of procuring resources through increased site-based budgeting with appropriate checks and balances.
INSTITUTIONAL ACCESS:
To ensure that all students and staff are empowered and have access to a worldclass educational system.

School Leadership will ensure equity among all schools and create opportunities for shared leadership.

DEPARTMENTAL ALIGNED ACTIVITIES:
1. The district will provide school improvement training to Instructional Leadership Teams to develop a consistent process across all schools.
2. PLC/MTSS teams will place students in the appropriate interventions to address needs. All students receive differentiated instruction within Tier I, II or III levels.
3. Develop and implement an equitable master schedule that focuses on student access to rigorous course content, interventions, and before/after school programs/services.

SUPPORTIVE CLIMATE:
To establish a positive and effective climate that cultivates a drive for excellence that promotes student achievement and fosters a premier District that is committed to the success of all students.

School Leadership will enact the cycle of continuous improvement as a methodology to ever-increase student achievement and professional development.

DEPARTMENTAL ALIGNED ACTIVITIES:
1. Demonstrate through school activities and opportunities that cultural competence is an important part of the District’s and school goals.
2. Establish time for staff and student to meet and build relationship on a daily or weekly basis.
3. Create a joint committee of school and community members to communicate the school vision, mission and values in phases.
4. Provide a flexible definition of engagement that values multiple types of family and community engagement and interactions.
5. Establish value-add partnership with vendors and partners to reduce costs to increase exposure and experiences.
6. Model and promote a positive school culture that integrates social-emotional learning throughout the school day.
7. Build the expectation for students, staff, and parents that success is possible for all students and will challenge low expectations about student potential.
### SCHOOL LEADERSHIP DIVISIONAL GOALS

#### DISTRICT GOAL 1: STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT
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School Leadership will improve schools and school leader's efficacy in community outreach and in-reach.

| Increase relationships/partnerships with external organizations, including faith-based and intergovernmental organizations. | A    |      |      |      |      | Principals        |
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|                                                                                                                     |      |      |      |      |      | Family/Community    |
# SCHOOL LEADERSHIP DIVISIONAL GOALS

| Increase communication avenues for parents to have an active role and voice in the school, for example, through regular site visits and feedback sessions, and provide timely and ongoing parent-learning opportunities tied to needs, for example, identified in regular parent surveys. | A | Engage Manager | Principals  
Assistant Principals  
Area Superintendents  
ILTs  
Family/Community  
Engagement Manager |
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| Initiate actions increase cultural awareness and that help with breaking down cultural/racial/language barrier. | A | Principals  
Assistant Principals  
Area Superintendents  
ILTs  
Family/Community  
Engagement Manager |

## DISTRICT GOAL 3 - ORGANIZATIONAL EFFECTIVENESS:
To focus organizational efforts and align resources to support district schools and student achievement.

School Leadership will expand the ability of school leaders and administrators to purport instructional leadership.

| Establish two-way communication opportunities with local businesses in order to enhance career-focused instruction. | A | Principals  
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| Build a diverse staff at the school level in an effort to accomplish cultural trust within the community. | A | Principals  
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**DISTRICT GOAL 4 - INSTITUTIONAL ACCESS:** To ensure that all students and staff are empowered and have access to a world-class educational system.

School Leadership will ensure equity among all schools and create opportunities for shared leadership.

- The district will provide school improvement training to Instructional Leadership Teams to develop a consistent process across all schools.
  
  | A | Principals | Assistant Principals | Area Superintendents | ILTs | DLT |

- PLC/MTSS teams will place students in the appropriate interventions to address needs and ensure all students receive differentiated instruction within Tier I, II or III levels.
  
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- Develop and implement an equitable master schedule that focuses on student access to rigorous course content, interventions, and before/after school programs/services so they are accessible and available for all learners.
  
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**DISTRICT GOAL 5 - SUPPORTIVE CLIMATE:** To establish a positive and effective climate that cultivates a drive for excellence that is committed to the success of all students.

School Leadership will enact the cycle of continuous improvement as a methodology to ever-increase student achievement and professional development.

- Demonstrate through school level activities and opportunities that cultural competence is an important part of the school goals.
  
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- Establish time for staff and student to meet and build relationships on a daily or weekly basis.
  
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| Establish value-add partnership with vendors and partners to reduce costs to increase exposure and experiences. | A | Principals, Asst. Principals, Area Superintendents, ILTs, Business/Finance |
| Model and promote a positive school culture that integrates social-emotional learning throughout the school day. | A | Principals, Asst. Principals, Area Superintendents, ILTs, MTSS Asst. director, Instructional Coaches, Teacher Leaders |
| Build the expectation for students, staff, and parents that success is possible for all students and challenge low expectations about student potential. | A | Principals, Asst. Principals, Area Superintendents, ILTs, Family/Community Manager, Instructional Coaches, Teacher Leaders |
STUDENT SERVICES DEPARTMENTAL STRATEGIES AND GOALS

STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT:
To focus organizational improvement and align district resources to ensure all students receive a world-class education that eliminates the achievement gap.

Student Services will ensure all students receive services that so they are able to fully participate in a high quality educational environment.

DEPARTMENTAL ALIGNED ACTIVITIES:
1. Ensure all eligible students receive safe, timely transportation to and from school in order to engage in a high quality educational environment. (S.S.T.)
2. Upon enrollment, the Welcome Center will promptly place all new students in an appropriate educational setting. (S.S.R.)
COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT:
To ensure that all stakeholders are engaged, and have a voice in, the instructional institution of the District, which promotes transparency, trust, and collaborative relationships.

Student Services will establish processes for the inclusion of all stakeholder input on an ongoing basis.

DEPARTMENTAL ALIGNED ACTIVITIES:
1. Ensure stakeholder satisfaction with District food and transportation services by engaging and promoting continuous dialogue and feedback. (S.S.T.)
2. Ensure all parents are active participants in their child’s education by making them aware of community and district resources. (S.S.R)
3. Resource information is organized in a manner that it can be easily accessible.
4. Information is shared between all areas of the Welcome Center (cross training) so staff can point parents in the right direction.
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2. The Welcome Center will alleviate compliance burdens from the school sites utilizing seamless processes. (S.S.R.)

INSTITUTIONAL ACCESS:
To ensure that all students and staff are empowered and have access to a worldclass educational system.

Student Services will provide districtwide platforms for all stakeholders.

DEPARTMENTAL ALIGNED ACTIVITIES:
1. Ensure all students are knowledgeable and engaged in maximizing the District’s food service program. (S.S.T.)
2. The Welcome Center will highlight information about district programs that are suited to students’ needs (S.S.R.)

SUPPORTIVE CLIMATE:
To establish a positive and effective climate that cultivates a drive for excellence that promotes student achievement and fosters a premier District that is committed to the success of all students.

Students Services will devise programs and training for district staff that continually improves the practices of each department within the division.

DEPARTMENTAL ALIGNED ACTIVITIES:
1. Ensure that transportation and food service staff establishes positive, supportive and high quality systems of delivery promoting student achievement (S.S.T.)

“The future belongs to young people with an education and the imagination to create.”
- Barack Obama
### STUDENT SERVICES

**DISTRICT GOAL 1: STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT**
To focus organizational improvement and align district resources to ensure all students receive a world-class education that eliminates the achievement gap.

Student Services will ensure all students receive services that so they are able to fully participate in a high quality educational environment.

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1. Automate HR so they are available (S.I.T.).
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To establish a positive and effective climate that cultivates a drive for excellence that promotes student achievement and fosters a premier District that is committed to the success of all students.

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“The principal goal is to create men and women who are capable of doing new things, not simply repeating what the other generations have done.”

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