Matawan-Aberdeen Regional School District

Strategic Plan Update

Gearing Up for 2017-2018

August 21, 2017
District Goals - 2017-2018

Goal 1: Ensure implementation of the Strategic Plan for the 2017-2018 school year and assist the superintendent in the implementation of the plan through the board meeting agenda.

Goal 2: The Board and Board Members will continue with training opportunities to become a Certified Board as well as Certified Board Members.

Goal 3: Review, revise and adopt the district and board Social Media Policy.

Goal 4: Schedule quarterly updates or presentations on district assessments, data and policies.
District Vision & Mission

Vision Statement

Students will become lifelong learners, critical thinkers, and creative problem solvers who achieve success as valuable and contributing members of society.

Mission Statement

We are committed to meeting or exceeding the NJ Student Learning Standards at all grade levels in all areas, and providing a safe and supportive environment where all students are inspired, empowered, and encouraged to maximize their unique potential.
C&I Goal # 1 - Increase Achievement for all Students - 2017-2018

Objective 1: Provide students with greater access to rigorous coursework with an emphasis on research and creative problem-solving

➔ Preschool Expansion to Full Day Inclusion model
➔ Updated curriculum guides to align with 2014/2016 NJ Student Learning Standards and revised QSAC curriculum indicators
➔ Aligned Star Assessment benchmarks to PARCC Proficiency levels (1-5)
➔ Adopted Literacy by Design - Grades 4 & 5
➔ Implementation of Defined STEM to support cross-content project-based learning
➔ Adopted Wilson Fundations for Grades K&1
➔ Expanded “Sneak Peek” summer course offerings at MAMS
  ◆ Sneak Peek Honors English
  ◆ Sneak Peek Honors Mathematics
C&I Goal # 1 - Increase Achievement for all Students - 2017-2018

**Objective 1a:** Research and plan the implementation of a STEM/Engineering elective for students at Matawan-Aberdeen Middle School for the 2018-19 school year.

**Objective 1b:** Increase the percentage of students scoring at level 4 and/or level 5 on the PARCC (Gr. 3-11) and Star Renaissance (Gr. 1-2) reading and mathematics assessments.

**Objective 1c:** Research, plan and implement honors level course offerings for science/social for students at Matawan-Aberdeen Middle School for the 2017-18 school year.
Objective 2: Develop and implement interventions for struggling students to ensure mastery of foundational / basic skills to reduce the number of students needing remediation later in their academic career.

➔ Designed a new tiered system of intervention supports and formalized progress monitoring at the K-5 level for the 2017-18 school year

➔ Integration of Wilson Fundations into Preschool HighScope Curriculum

➔ Expanded Summer Literacy Program
  118 K-5 Students (10 homerooms + 3 Push-in Literacy Interventionists)

➔ Implemented a Foundational Summer Algebra Readiness Program for rising high school students entering Algebra 1

Objective 2a: Provide time within the 2017-18 high school schedule to provide targeted academic supports for identified students in ELA and Math.

Objective 2b: Developed new Foundational ELA and Math Courses at MRHS for 2017-18
Objective 3: Provide opportunities for students to explore their personal passions

➢ Offer opportunities for K-2 students to engage in “Genius Hour” projects as part of the Library-Media specials rotation

Objective 3a: Provide training and embedded coaching support to elementary Library Media Specialists with implementing Genius Hour as part of the elementary Library-Media program

Objective 3b: Research and plan the implementation of a Communications Academy as an additional course pathway for students at Matawan Regional High School for the 2018-2019 school year
C&I Goal # 1 - Increase Achievement for all students - 2017-2018

Objective 4: Provide all students with 21st Century College & Career Technical Education and transition opportunities

Objective 4a: Develop and implement programs to foster the social and emotional development of all students.

→ Establish and expand partnerships with local colleges and universities
→ Implementation of Positive Behavioral Supports (PBS)- Prek-12

Objective 4b: Research and plan the implementation of an Early College High School program for implementation in 2018-2019 designed to provide students the opportunity to receive a high school diploma and an associate degree, by taking a mixture of high school and college classes in a small class size learning environment in partnership with Brookdale
Objective 5: Provide targeted professional development for elementary interventionists focused on literacy and math intervention strategies/programs to support students in the areas of reading comprehension, writing, phonics, phonemic awareness, sight word recognition, and vocabulary.

◆ Lindamood Bell - Visualizing and Verbalizing
◆ Orton Gillingham
◆ Multi-Tiered Interventions
◆ Wilson Reading
◆ Sheltered English Instruction (SIOP)
◆ HighScope Curriculum + Fundations
Objective 6: Continue to provide embedded professional development and coaching to support the utilization of Google Apps for Education (GAFE)

→ Google Educator Level 1 & 2 Cohort Training

Objective 6a: Continue to procure chromebooks as the district continues to work towards a 1:1 technology initiative
Goal: Promote a positive, supportive and safe school climate that embraces kindness, diversity, individuality and respect for all.

**Objective 1:** Maintain a safe, healthy and supportive environment

- Implementation of the Pyramid Model: A Preschool Tiered Framework to promote positive peer interactions.
- School Culture and Climate Team Professional Development - October 2017
- Culturally Responsive Staff Training - March 2018

**Objective 2:** Establish cohesive relationships between students, educators and the community

- Expanded school to work transition opportunities to include additional local businesses
Objective 3: Maintain an inclusive environment that celebrates differences and diversity

- Partnership with NYU Steinhardt School of Culture, Education and Human Development
- Continued implementation Social Emotional Learning (SEL) programs at all levels K-12
- Continued implementation of “No Place for Hate” and “Olweus Anti-Bullying Programs”
- Community screening of film “Resilience” in fall 2017
- “We’re Kicking It” Application
Community Involvement - 2017-2018

Goal: Increase parent & community involvement in the Matawan-Aberdeen Regional Schools

Objective 1: Establishment of a Parent University
→ Continued PD on Google Apps
→ Literacy Workshops
→ Family Math Nights
→ Expansion of Special Education Parent Workshops

Objective 2: Acknowledge student success in all areas

Objective 3: Establish community partnerships and internships
→ Monmouth University
→ Brookdale College

Objective 4: Establish a Communication Plan for the District
Parent University Workshop Offerings - 2017-2018

- Kindergarten Parent Orientation - September 5, 2017
- Freshman Orientation - August 24, 2017 at 8:00 AM (parents @ 10:30)
- NCAA Eligibility Night - August 30, 2017 at 7:00 PM
- Career Academy Night - November 16, 2017 at 7:00 PM
- Financial Aid Night - Fall 2017
- College and Career Fair - Spring 2018
- ELL Parent Advisory Council Meetings - 2017-2018
- Title 1 Parent Nights - 2017-2018
- Expansion of Special Education Parent Workshops
Technology Expansion - 2017-2018

- Expanded the District’s 1:1 Technology initiative through the purchase of additional chromebooks at each school
  - HS - 1,300 Chromebooks + 125 Laptops = 1,425 - One-to-One for 2017-2018
  - MAMS - 1,075 Chromebooks - One-to-One for 2017-2018
  - Lloyd Road – 625 Chromebooks - One-to-One for 2017-2018
  - Ravine - 240 Chromebooks (339 students)
  - Strathmore - 225 Chromebooks (441 students)
  - Cliffwood - 210 Chromebooks (314 students)
District Special Programs/Student Supports for 2017-2018

➔ New IEP & 504 Platform - *IEP Direct*
➔ Continuation of Peer Buddy program
Special Education Highlights & Initiatives - 2017-2018

- Expanded ESY for Special Education to 30 School Days
- **Professional Development**
  - Continue Social Emotional Learning workshops K-12 for teachers and staff
  - Continue Rethink teacher training and parent training offerings
  - Continue Get Ready Learn Yoga Program - using district classrooms
- **Special Education Bi-Monthly Teacher Meetings**
  - Data Analysis
  - Evaluation of supplemental programs
  - Effective IEP goals and objectives
  - Program and placement specific to student needs
Facilities & Finance - 2017-2018

Goal: Explore cost efficient methodologies while protecting long term investments and assets.

Objective 1: Diversify funding sources for special projects

Objective 2: Balance financial needs with family resources

Objective 3: Strive for true 1:1 computer ratio for each student

Objective 4: Improve cleanliness / repair to exterior and interior environment

Objective 5: Increase transportation capacity
Finance and Facilities - 2017-2018

- Demographic study to set parameters for transportation study
- Review of transportation hazardous route policy
- Grant training opportunities and resources
- Facility painting and flooring schedule implementation to follow HVAC upgrades (Cliffwood and Lloyd targets for summer 2018)
- Bathroom stall schedule under development and under coordination with budget process
  - Examining funding for later in fiscal year due to budget pressures
● Pest management plan under review to add geese
  ○ Began using a grape-based product sprayed on the fields to deter them.
● Communication protocols being enhanced to promote electronic medium through Virtual Backpack
● Parking Mirror Hang Tags for staff and student vehicles to better secure parking lots
● Developing infrastructure for new radio systems
Thank You!