

Strategic Plan Steering Committee

Meeting 5 June 9, 2021

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Thank You to Our Steering Committee Student Representatives CONGRATS ON YOUR GRADUATION!!!



Jasmine Calderon Pahokee High School Scholarship Winner, Leadership for Life 20



Santiago Alvarez Boca High School 2020-21 Student Council County President/ Student Representative to the School Board

Strategic Plan Steering Committee Meeting Info

HELPFUL REMINDERS

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- All meetings are recorded and posted to PalmBeachSchools.org (where they become public record).

LOGISTICS

- Please keep your video on.
- Unmute yourself only if speaking.
- Use the chat box to:
 - Capture attendance
 - Ask questions
 - Provide feedback at any time
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For attendance today, please use the chat box to type in any "words of wisdom" you would like to share with Jasmine and Santiago! MORE OF EVERYTHING YOU WANT FOR YOUR CHILD



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Timeline for Strategic Plan Development

Activity - 2021	March	April	Мау	June	July	August
School Board Completes Foundational Equity Work	March 9 & 31	April 14		Meeting 4 - May 20		
Monthly Steering Committee Meetings	March 22	April 16	May 12	June 9	July 13	August 5
Complete Internal Needs Assessment	Ongoing					
Phase 1 Engagement - Survey	Launches March 22	Closes April 9				
School Board Reviews Draft Goals and Associated Measures				June 2	Board Works	hop / Public Me
Phase 2 Engagement - Focus Groups			Late May	Early June		
School Board Approves Goals and Associated Measures					July 21/28	

REMINDER: The Journey to Final Goals

TODAY - June 9th Steering Committee discusses initial stakeholder feedback collected to-date on the draft themes, goals, and measures (June 2 Board WS and Focus Groups) and proposes revisions

Remainder of June

Finish Focus Groups

Use Steering Committee feedback to propose additional revisions

You review revisions in between Steering Committee Meetings July 13th Steering Committee surfaces any remaining Focus Group feedback to finalize themes, goals, measures, and targets for School Board approval



August 5th Steering Committee elevates recommendations for implementation

By July 28th Final goals and measures sent to School Board for approval







Centering Students / Remembering Our "Why"







Today's Focus

- Review focus group and board feedback gathered to date
- Revise goals based on feedback



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New Mission Statement

Approved by the Board on May 5th

The mission of the School District of Palm Beach County is to educate, affirm, and inspire each student in an equity-embedded school system.





New Vision Statement

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We envision...

The School District of Palm Beach County is an educational and working environment, where both students and staff are unimpeded by bias or discrimination. Individuals of all backgrounds and experiences are embraced, affirmed, and inspired. Each and every one will succeed and flourish.

The School District of Palm Beach County will take ownership for students' academic mastery, emotional intelligence, and social-emotional needs by creating environments where students, families, staff, and communities will develop agency and voice.

A joy of learning is fostered in each student and a positive vision for their future is nurtured. Each student's cultural heritage is valued, and their physical, emotional, academic, and social needs are met.

Criteria for Drafting Goals

Based on School Board and Steering Committee Input

- □ Aligned to Mission and Vision
- □ Equity Across All Goals
- Includes Non-Academic Goals
- Connects to Previous Plan and Supports Longitudinal Analysis
- Clear and Concise



How are goals, measures, and targets related?

THEMES

Goals

What are we trying to achieve?

Measures

What will help us understand whether we are making progress towards our goal?

Example: Improved physical health

Example: Blood pressure, cholesterol level, Body Mass Index (BMI)

Targets

What benchmark (or level of performance) are we working towards in service of achieving our goal?

Example: Blood pressure of 120, cholesterol levels under 200 (mg/dL), or BMI between 18.5 and 25

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Focus Groups Conducted To-Date

- 1. School Board (June 2 Board Workshop)
- 2. Facilitated by Steering Committee:
 - Teachers, Principals, Assistant Principals, Parents, HS Students, Community Members, Other District Staff (including Chiefs/Regional Offices/Principal Supervisors/Managers/Specialists/Guidance Counselors), Higher Ed Dean, various Non-Profit Staff
- 3. Non-Steering Committee Community Partners
 - American Descendants of Slaves (ADOS), Black Educators Caucus (BEC), Third Eye
 - Coalition for Black Student Achievement
 - Hispanic Education Coalition
 - <u>Currently scheduling</u>: Recent SDPBC HS Grads/Former SDPBC Students Enrolled in College, National Coalition of 100 Black Women (South PB County Chapter), District Diversity and Equity Committee, Guatemalan Maya Center, Puerto Rican Hispanic Chamber of Commerce, Association of Hispanic Ministers of PBC, Black Student Union, ESE Teachers, Haitian Educators Association of Palm Beach, Volunteer Association and Fund of FL, and individuals who identified an interest in Focus Group participation via the Phase 1 Survey or by emailing Strategic Plan inbox.

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Board Workshop Feedback

Theme 1: Improve Academic Access and Close Opportunity Gaps

- Goal 1 Has to be more than just "closing gaps"; strengthen language (and possibly remove the reference to gaps) so it is clear we are not lowering expectations to decrease the gap. It's about elevating all. Also, expand K-12 to PreK -12. Remove "decrease."
- Goal 5 Post graduate success should be expanded to include CTE, apprenticeships, etc.
- All Goals Use of the word "access" may be problematic (maybe success?); need more action words; dig deeper so we're not just repeating what we've done before.

Theme 2: Embrace Our Community in Developing Social/Emotional Well-Being

- Goal 1 Split into two goals (community AND families, but don't combine) and/or split into two themes.
- Call out community organizations/community partners more and recognize them in the actual plan. Right now, plan reads like we can do this all on our own as a District.
- In light of COVID, more specific emotional supports needed. Call that out.
- Measures are predominantly self-report in nature (surveys); process measures are still important

Theme 3: Ensure Equity Through District Policies, Processes, Systems, and Resources

- No specific feedback, but general questions surfaced include:
 - How do we evaluate the success of this plan?
 - Needs to be about quality not quantity how do we capture/measure quality? Particularly as it relates to our community partnerships.
 - How are we capturing accountability at all levels of the org?



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Creating Criteria for Revisions

Based on feedback shared, what are 3-5 key criteria for revising draft goals and measures that are emerging as trends?

EXAMPLE: Use positive language vs. deficit language (e.g., excellence for every student vs. decrease gaps)

- Moving beyond what we usually do/typically do (not more of the same); other ways kids can show us they are exceling MAINTAINING AN INNOVATIVE LENS
- Hearing from the students and taking action based on what they share/student voice; making sure students have power - **DO STUDENTS HAVE AGENCY IN THESE GOALS**
- Look back at what we haven't achieved (using data) and try to address in new plan EQUITY FOCUS AND GROUNDED IN DATA
- CONNECT BACK TO PORTRAIT OF A GRADUATE
- USE POSITIVE VS DEFICIT-BASED LANGUAGE
- ENSURE MEASURES ARE TIGHTLY ALIGNED TO GOALS AND HOLD US
 ACCOUNTABLE
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Wrap Up

Please submit additional concrete/specific suggestions for changes via exit ticket link.

Next Steps

- Exit Ticket
- If you haven't already, please conduct a Focus Group with the stakeholders you represent anytime during the month of June (promotes transparency)
- NEW DATE! Steering Committee Meeting 6 on Tuesday, July 13th at 4:00PM
 And watch for the next round of proposed revisions in between meetings!

