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"Transitions should be marked, <u>milestones</u> <u>commemorated</u>, and pits filled. That's the essence of thinking in moments."

-Chip Heath, The Power of Moments

REMEMBER: WELCOME BACK

The Power of Moments;

Build meaningful moments;

There are 76,020 minutes to a school year...





This presentation commemorates those moments!

REFLECTIONS FROM THIS YEAR

- + The three strategic goals were summarized this year, demonstrating significant achievement for the district over 5 years.
- + Academic goals showed positive progress and growth for our students.
- + Communications enhancements were made through Smores newsletters and print media.
- Referendum was voted upon in February.

DISTRICT GOALS

- Academic Achievement: Focus on using data, developing special programs, and standards implementation to bolster academic achievement as measured with iReady.
- + <u>Communications Enhancement:</u> Launch and develop protocols for enhanced district communications.
- + <u>Referendum Planning</u>: Determine district capital project needs for a referendum; develop a comprehensive proposal for stakeholder engagement and a vote.

DISTRICT GOALS (CON'T)/STRATEGIC GOALS

- + <u>Inquisitive Learning</u>: Create and establish an inquiry-based framework that values an interest-driven learning environment. Learners will, individually and collaboratively, focus on identifying, analyzing, and solving problems as inquisitive members of their community.
- + <u>Social Awareness:</u> Our learners will feel connected, valued, and secure in digital and non-digital learning environments cultivated by a shared sense of community. Every individual will develop skills that promote an awareness of self and others as well as the environment, including the ability to understand the impact of their decisions.
- + <u>Partnerships:</u> Establish partnerships that foster meaningful educational opportunities on local, regional, and global scales. Prepare all learners to become engaged and productive citizens through service to others, collaboration, and real-world connections.

GOAL 1: ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT

Board Goal Connection

Board Goal - Academic Achievement - The Board is dedicated to creating and implementing systems and frameworks that prioritize academic success, ensuring it remains a central focus in decision making.

Actions completed:

- Implementation of new Math/ELA standards;
- + Pilot new programs: focus on math/science;
- Dyslexia training, development of dyslexia resources, purchase of new dyslexia screener;
- Continuing Sheltered English Instruction professional development for teachers;
- Math/ELA mid-year growth above 50% typical growth for virtually all grades;
- + More collection of comparison academic data;
- + Expanded preschool to 14 classrooms (16 next year).

ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT (MATH)





The median percent progress towards Typical Growth for this school is 61%. Typical Growth is the average annual growth for a student at their grade and baseline placement level.

Learn More About Growth



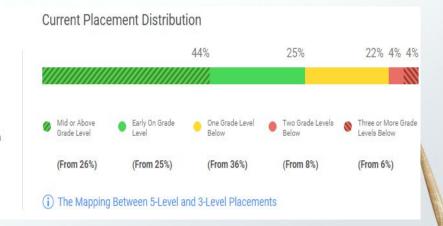
ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT (READING)





The median percent progress towards Typical Growth for this school is 89%. Typical Growth is the average annual growth for a student at their grade and baseline placement level.

Learn More About Growth



GOAL 2: COMMUNICATION ENHANCEMENT

Board Goal Connection

Board Goal – Communications – To enhance communications and foster community engagement with all stakeholders, the Board will broaden its efforts to highlight and celebrate district accomplishments.

Actions Completed:

- + A newsletter schedule has been developed and all newsletters are in *Smore* format;
- + New community outreach includes: The CHronicle, Township listserve, and the Township newsletter;
- New communications protocols have been put in place in the district and shared with the leadership team;
- + Key Communicators have been identified.

GOAL 3: REFERENDUM PLANNING

Board Goal Connection

Board Goal - Referendum - The board will collaborate with the administration to identify district capital project needs for a referendum. They will develop a comprehensive communications plan to engage stakeholders.

Actions Completed:

- A timeline and action steps were created;
- + Community input was sought through public forums, the HSA, the RTEA, all staff;
- + Lists of projects were created;
- Board tours occurred in each building;
- A successful referendum resolution was passed by the Board in February and includes over 80 projects;
- + Communications plan are underway.

GOAL 4: STRATEGIC GOALS

Board Goal Connection

Board Goal: Academic Achievement – The Board is dedicated to creating and implementing systems and frameworks that prioritize academic success, ensuring it remains a central focus in decision making

Actions Completed:

- Survey tools were developed and sent to parents, staff, and students;
- The strategic planning sub committees met to discuss achievements;
- + Final presentation occurred to present the Board with strategic plan accomplishments.

OTHER PROJECTS AND ACCOMPLISHMENTS

Sustainable Jersey for Schools Recertification process;

Governance and policy work;

Successful budget cycle given constraints;

Took final steps in our retention and recruitment efforts.

THE BIG PICTURE

- + iReady data shows positive academic growth this year. Anything over 50% at mid-year shows closing of achievement gaps.
- + Communications plans are in the early stages of implementation.
- + The referendum received unanimous Board support and involved our community.
- + The strategic plan was celebrated!

