

Nanuet School District Goals and Priorities for 2019-2020
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Goal #1 - Improve Academic Performance of All Students in Meeting or Exceeding Next Generation Learning Standards

Priorities:

- Increase achievement on all local (i.e. common, interim, etc.), state, and nationally-normed assessments
 - Continued focus on subgroup performance as per ESSA regulations
 - Continue to develop an “opportunity index” for each building that includes assessment data, as well as data that is reflective of the whole-child (i.e. club/sports involvement, community involvement, etc.)
- Continue to expand K-12 curriculum maps of each subject taught that provides an accurate and detailed framework of expectations for all students
- Ensure that all curriculum and assessment programs are implemented with fidelity, intensity, and consistency
 - Continue to implement a Data Informed Instruction model at all buildings
 - Continue to expand the work of each Curriculum Council to improve student learning, investigate professional development opportunities, and improve program and assessment practices
- Review and update the District’s K-12 Assessment Plan
- Continue to expand digital literacy skills for students, as well as professional development opportunities for staff that link technology innovations to sustained improvements in teaching and learning

Goal #2: Implement System-Wide Improvement Strategies that Focus on Achieving the District Mission *(The Nanuet School District is committed to the personal development of each student so that upon graduation, he or she is prepared and inspired to apply learning in a changing, complex and interdependent world.)*

Priorities:

- Continue to increase content knowledge through explicit instruction in analysis skills across all disciplines (in alignment with the Next Generation Learning Standards).
 - Continue the development of Project Based Learning opportunities.
 - Review current lesson offerings and refine curriculum under the umbrella of our mission and the 4Cs (critical thinking, collaboration, communication, creativity).

- Continue to provide professional development, book studies, trainings, site visits to identify vertical and horizontal integration points and assessment opportunities. Training will also include project design elements and teacher practices including the SAMR Model (Substitution, Augmentation, Modification, Redefinition).
- Continue expanding use of the OEC and Nanuet High School's Global Learning Commons for problem based, collaborative learning opportunities
- Continue to expand social and emotional (SEL) curriculum, experiences, and opportunities for all students through research-based programs (i.e. RULER, Kelso Character Education Program, Mental Health Committee work, etc.)
- Continue to provide students opportunities to explore career interests through classroom and after school experiences
- Continue to expand the repertoire of what Nanuet Graduates should know upon completion of each of our five schools.

Goal #3 – Strengthen Parent and Community Support for the District

Priorities:

- Expand communication strategies for reaching District stakeholders utilizing our websites, Facebook, Instagram, Twitter, You Tube, and Nanuet ParentLink Smartphone App, etc.
- Collaborate with Rockland BOCES to plan a Communications and Public Relations strategy including District Mission Awareness
- Conduct parent workshops to strengthen understanding of District Mission, assist parents with supporting students at home, develop awareness of new curriculum maps and how to utilize them at home, and improve parent understanding of new state requirements
- Increase partnerships with Nanuet Community Based Organizations (i.e. Nanuet Family Resource Center, Nanuet Chamber, Nanuet-West Nyack Rotary, Black and Gold Club, PTA, Nanuet Music Partners, etc.) to support student learning across the District
- Explore methods to connect with Nanuet alumni and community members through social media, networking, etc. so that the District can stay current and relevant when supporting our students
- Create a pre-kindergarten communications plan that welcomes and invites Nanuet parents into our schools prior to the beginning of kindergarten

Goal #4– Improve School Facilities, including Health and Safety Measures, and the Fiscal Stability of the District

Priorities:

- Successfully manage and complete contract negotiations with all bargaining units.
- Resolve Pfizer’s current tax challenge involving tax years 2016-17, 2017-18, 2018-19 and 2019-20 while preserving the District’s tax base
- Advocate for fairness in the allocation of State Aid to the District
- Support economic development of the Pfizer / IRG property
- Identify potential Capital Budget projects for 2020-21 and for future years
- Continue monitoring measures that increase safety and security including completion of a safety and health audit