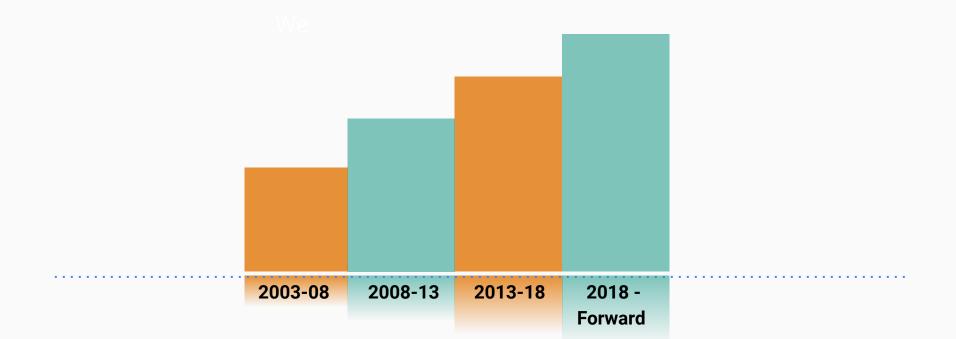


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# Strategic Planning - District of Distinction





#### 2013-18 Strategic Plan - Agenda Areas

Academic

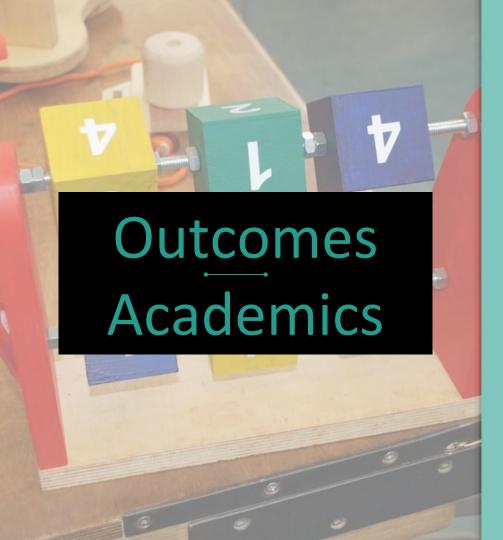
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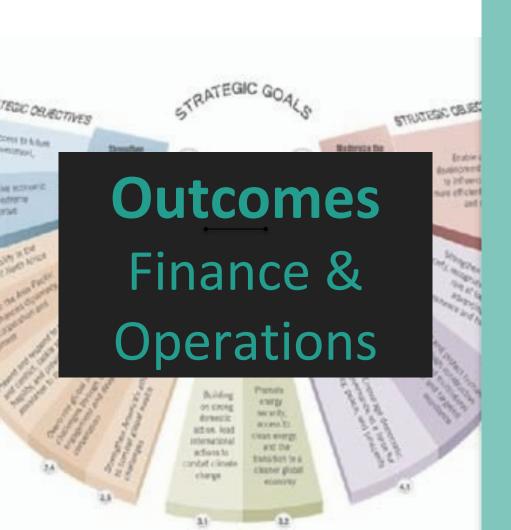
- Literacy
- Mathematics
- Student Behavior
- Student Performance Measures/Data Utilization
- Effective Instructional Practice
- Career & College Readiness
- Arts Enhancement
- Student Wellness
- Equity
- Structures & Delivery Models

- Employee Benefits
- Employee Wellness
- Human Resources Operations
- District Nutrition Programming
- Buildings & Grounds
- Operational Technology
- Risk Management/Loss Prevention
- Business & Financial Operations
- Finance & Budgeting

- Public Relations/Organizational Promotion
- Two-way Communication
- Community & Business Partnerships
- Political Advocacy



- Established Comprehensive Literacy
   Model K-12
- Strengthened Secondary Math Programming (CMP3 & CPM)
- Established Universal Screening K-8 (MAP) Supported by New Data Warehouse Software (EduClimber)
- Expanded Music Programming
- Established Academic Career
   Planning Supported by Career
   Cruising Software
- Launch of Block Scheduling @ FAHS
- Identifying an Equity Framework



- Established Benefits Advisory
   Committee
- Reorganized Student Nutrition
   Department
- Established Human Resources
   Department
- Began facilities study process
- Upgraded the district's technology infrastructure
- Revised District's safety plan
- Automated financial processes
- Adopted Smarter School
   Spending budget model



- Garnered stakeholder feedback
- Revamped District Leadership Advisory Team (DLAT)
- Increased media presence and social media presence
- Improved Employee Handbook
- Increased internal and external communications
- Participated on a state and national level leadership teams

# CONTINUOUS IMPROVEMENT & STRATEGIC ACTION

#### **Continuous Improvement**

- Work that keeps the District current and up-to-date
- Efforts related to maintaining or achieving Federal or State compliance
- Support for initiatives after
   launch or to maintain past work

#### **Strategic Action**

- Action that transforms the organization
- Strategic direction driven by a community vision specific to Fort Atkinson's needs
- Action that moves the District forward in a systematic way
- Work to distinguish the District

## Continuous Improvement

Supporting work from previous Strategic Plan

Keeping up to date with best practices & mandates

## Strategic Action

Design Principles (3 - 5 years)

Bold Steps (revisited annually)

# Strategic Improvement Design Principles (8)

- Foster an emotionally, physically safe and healthy learning environment.
- Develop students to be valued community members using programming intentionally designed to build social skills and strong relationships.
- Cultivate relationships with stakeholders to know and understand the interconnected needs of the local and global communities.
- Empower students to thrive in an ever-changing global environment through rigorous academics, individualized pathways, and authentic learning experiences.

# Strategic Improvement Design Principles (cont.)

- Communicate with the larger community to inform, engage, and celebrate the good things happening in the schools and community.
- Promote and advance an understanding of diversity, acceptance, and global perspectives.
- Use data driven practices to determine fiscally sound decision making.
- Optimize community resources for the mutual benefit of the students, schools, and community.

# **5 Bold Steps**

- Initial Implementation of District-wide System for Equity
- Develop and Implement a Comprehensive Public Relations Plan
- Develop a Plan to Engage and Involve Parents and Community
- Implement and Enhance Access to Student Support Resources
- Research and Identify Opportunities for Innovation

#### **Initial Implementation of District-wide System for Equity**

The community and Design Team identified equity as an area of focus to better meet student and family needs.

- Develop an understanding of the Integrated Comprehensive
   Systems research and framework for equity
- Engage in activities to understand perspectives in equity and implications for system-wide practices
- Develop equity non-negotiables

#### **Develop and Implement a Comprehensive Public Relations Plan**

The community and Design Team saw a need to increase public relations including branding, marketing, and communicating areas of distinction.

- Define District objectives and goals for public relations efforts
- Research public relations models and impact of those models used by other school districts
- Engage public relations professionals in the community to advise District planning
- Determine best value approach to comprehensive public relations strategy

#### **Develop a Plan to Engage and Involve Parents and Community**

The community and Design Team saw a need to expand parent and community engagement to help achieve the District's mission.

- Research high impact strategies for parent and community engagement
- Form collaborative groups to consider strategies for implementation
- Determine meaningful engagement opportunities at the school and community levels

## Implement and Enhance Access to Student Support Resources

The community and Design Team saw a need to enhance support resources to address student needs.

- Implement new student support structures in the areas of:
  - Elementary guidance
  - Secondary at-risk
  - Homeless families and youth
- Establish programming and curriculum aligned to new State of Wisconsin Standards for Social Emotional Learning
- Study student support needs in the areas of:
  - English Learners
  - Advanced Learners

#### Research and Identify Opportunities for Innovation

The community and Design Team charged the District to further explore innovative opportunities to distinguish the community and its learners.

- Understand how to establish a systemic culture of innovation within our learning community
- Research national/international areas and practices of innovation
  - Engage community to identify focus area(s) of innovation
  - Establish InViTe (Innovation Visioning Teams) Teams, including local experts, to study each focus area and develop proposal(s)

#### **Next Steps - Bold Step Leaders**

Initial Implementation of District-wide System for Equity Dr. Brown, Mr. Halvorsen, and Mrs. Scheuerell

Develop and Implement a Comprehensive Public Relations Plan Mr. Demerath and Mrs. Walden

Develop a Plan to Engage and Involve Parents and Community Mr. Geiger and Mrs. Oakley

Implement and Enhance Access to Student Support Resources

Mrs. Hollenberger and Mr. Torrenga

Research and Identify Opportunities for Innovation

Dr. Abbott and Mr. Scullin



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## **Monthly Updates**



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