

School Board Executive Summary

Topic: Strategic Plan Goal 4: Optimizing Finance, Safety & Infrastructure

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Recommended Action:

- ☒ Information Only
- ☐ Presentation/Discussion
- ☐ Discussion/Action by Board of Education
- ☐ Presentation/Action Next Meeting

Recommendation: None at this time. Informational report on Strategic Plan Goal 4.

Background: The new Strategic Plan dashboard launched in mid-August 2026. Since that time, more than 400 people have visited the dashboard webpage, with an average viewing time of nearly four minutes. This tells us that people are taking the time to review the work happening in Westside Community Schools.

Tonight's Strategic Plan report will focus on Goal 4: Optimizing Finance, Safety, and Infrastructure. This goal centers on careful financial planning, proactive safety measures, and the continued upkeep of our buildings and grounds. Many of the strategies aligned with Goal 4 have been addressed through board presentations and written reports.

This update will provide a big-picture look at the work in each of the three areas (Finance, Safety, Infrastructure) and allow the directors responsible for these strategies to share additional information. Those directors include: Brian Gabrial, District Officer of Business and Finance; Matt Lee, Director of Technology; Jake Ritonya, Director of Safety and Security; Erin Vik, Director of Nutrition Services; and Andy Wane, Director of Facilities.

Link to Strategic Plan dashboard: <https://www.westside66.org/strategic-plan>

Attachment(s): None