



# **WOODINVILLE HIGH SCHOOL**

2019-20 Strategic Action Plan

At Woodinville High School, the mission is to become a community of learners, providing a safe, encouraging environment for developing the mind, body and spirit.

Each year, we identify goals that guide the work we do to ensure each of our students learns at high levels and, ultimately, is prepared for success in career, college, and life.

Our goals the 2019-20 school year and their related measures for success are listed below. These goals and measures are aligned with Northshore's Strategic Plan.

School Goals	Measures of Success
Goal 3 Growth for Every Student, Elimination of Outcome and Opportunity Gaps	3.5 Increased enrollment and completion rates for traditionally underrepresented student-groups in advanced courses and specialized programs.
Goal 5 Ready for Lifelong Success after Graduation	5.1 Increased percentage of 9 <sup>th</sup> grade students on-track for graduation.

## EQUITABLE SCHOOL ENVIRONMENT

At Woodinville High School, we firmly believe that the first step toward achieving our goals is creating an equitable school environment -- one where each student's goals and needs are at the center of our thinking. An equitable school environment is one that is civil, respectful, safe, and welcoming, and where every student knows they belong. Creating and nurturing this positive school environment means that the adults in our building engage in professional learning, and that we put into place strategies across the school and in every classroom that demonstrates we believe in every student.

During the 2019-20 school year, the Woodinville High School Equity Team's goal is to increase awareness of; existing privileges (race, gender, socio-economic status, people with disabilities, sexual orientation, religious backgrounds, etc.) and increase empathy and advocate for equality for ALL Falcons/Falcon Families. This includes all presentation and handouts translated into appropriate languages. This work will transcend the walls of our school and will translate students' experiences into ethical and meaningful lives of passion and purpose as global citizens.





- Involving students and community to develop an ideal vision of equity at WHS, of "what does equity look like at WHS", and also to embody the motto "One Falcon, One Family".
- Become an accepting community of learners, providing a safe, encouraging environment for developing the mind, body, and spirit of all students.
- Provide Hispanic and students of color an opportunity to create connections and mentorship opportunities with upper classmen.

Specific actions our school will take toward this goal include:

- Developing plan(s) for a WHS cultural night event for springtime/May part inside/outside/people bring different cultural food items/invite various food trucks to participate, as well connect with cultural clubs to be involved.
- Focus on relationship building with staff and incorporate opportunities to share strategies to ensure all students feel welcome at WHS.
- Provide time and space for staff and students to share their stories.
- Provide opportunities for staff to demonstrate/share some Cultural responsive teaching(s) with colleagues in a professional setting/staff meeting(s).
- Develop professional development for staff to learn more about history of students of color.
- Supporting leadership within student ASB groups BSU/Hispanic/LGBTQ, etc.
- Building connections with families.
- Collaborating with the NSD Youth Equity Group regarding specific projects.

The work of our Equity Team helps us cultivate and nurture a learning environment where all students feel a sense of belonging and where every student feels safe and ready to learn.

## OUR INQUIRY PROCESS

Selecting and addressing our chosen Strategic Plan goals requires that we engage in a cycle of continuous improvement. The inquiry process that drives our cycle of continuous improvement is outlined below.

## Understanding Our Students' Needs

The first step in our inquiry process is an examination of data. By looking at a variety of data including attendance and discipline records, classroom-based assessments, demographic information, family and student inventories/surveys, and various student achievement measures, we are able to understand the issues we need to address.

During Spring 2019, we reviewed the following data:

- □ Attendance Records
- Classroom Based Assessment Results
- Demographic Information
- D/F Rates
- Discipline Data
- **End of Course Grades**
- Graduation Rates
- □ SBAC Scores
- □ Student Interviews or Surveys
- AP Course Enrollment Data
- □ AP Exam Data





Based on our data review, we have identified the following areas for improvement (gaps) in student outcomes:

- Increasing Hispanic student enrollment in AP courses and taking the corresponding AP exam(s)
- Keeping all 9<sup>th</sup>-grade students on track to graduate

We believe these areas for improvement are the result of the following root cause(s):

- Hispanic students' perceived lack of confidence to access equitable educational opportunities
- Timely interventions for 9<sup>th</sup>-grade students to earn high school credits

## Theory of Action, Instructional Practices & Strategies

Our data review, identification of areas for improvement (gaps) in student outcomes, and hypothesis about root cause(s) leads us to believe that if we do certain things, then we will see positive changes. Therefore, for each of our chosen goals, we have developed a theory of action that has led us to choose to implement a specific instructional strategy that is linked to one of the five Northshore Instructional Practice(s) we have been developing. By focusing on the instructional strategy and being clear about our anticipated outcome, we will be able to determine whether our efforts will have the anticipated impact. Because we will measure student progress regularly, we will be able to adjust our approach as the school year advances.

## GOAL 3: Growth for Every Student, Elimination of Outcome & Opportunity Gaps

## Theory of Action

Based on the data and root cause analysis we completed, we believe equitable educational opportunities are known to help Hispanic students realize their academic potential, therefore:

- If WHS staff identify our implicit biases that may unintentionally deter Hispanic students, and
- □ If the WHS learning community works to reach out and recruit Hispanic students into Advanced Placement courses, and
- □ If WHS staff identify and accelerate learning gaps for students behind grade level, and
- □ If WHS staff work to eliminate confidence weaknesses exhibited by those students, and
- □ If WHS hires underrepresented, bilingual staff, then

WHS will increase the number of Hispanic students enrolled in AP courses and taking AP Exams.

#### SMART Goal

Our specific, measurable, attainable, relevant, and time-bound goal to address Goal 3 is as follows:

When measured in June 2020, Hispanic student enrollment in next year's Advanced Placement (AP) courses will show at least a 50% increase over the Hispanic AP course enrollment of the previous year and all Hispanic students currently enrolled in AP courses will have taken the corresponding AP Exam(s).





Instructional Strategy	Instructional Practice
To make progress, toward our specific goal,	Our instructional strategy relates to:
we have developed milestones connected to	<ul> <li>Building and Maintaining Relationships</li> </ul>
the Strategic Plan for fall, winter, and spring. Milestone 1: Fall 2019	Date
Continue Implicit Bias and Cultural Awareness	October - June
training through "PBIS" and "Web Accessibility"	Chris Pigolovy Avera Thomas SDIT Danna
Connection to Strategic Plan:	Chris Bigelow, Ayva Thomas, SDLT, Danna
Culturally Competent Instruction	Kapacinskas, & Equity Team
Strengthen cultural	
competence of teachers,	
leaders, and staff by providing	
cultural competence training,	
and ensuring it is embedded in	
professional development	
systems focused on effective	
practices, deep knowledge of	
content, and collaborative	
professional inquiry. [Strategic	
Plan - pg. 11]	
Be culturally aware and make connections	October, December, March, May
with Hispanic students and parents in non-AP	
courses, advisory, athletics, and/or clubs,	WHS Learning Community
providing access to potentially recruiting	
those students into AP classes	Latino/Hispanic Nights – Ruth Krochmalny
Connection to Strategic Plan: Culture	
of High Expectations	
Implement research-based	
strategies that explicitly	
reinforce a culture of high	
expectations for each student,	
regardless of their current level	
of performance,	
race/ethnicity, cultural and	
linguistic background,	
socioeconomic status, or	
special needs. [Strategic Plan -	
pg. 10]	
Connection to Strategic Plan: Family	
and Community Outreach	
Promote formal and informal	
two-way communication	
between families and schools	
in order to strengthen	
appreciation of students'	
individual strengths and needs,	
and to collaborate more	
deeply regarding student	
SUCCESS. [Strategic Plan - pg. 10]	





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Review students' 4-year plan for graduation,	Quarterly
create interventions, and provide professional	
development for teachers to help close the	Teachers, ESPs, & Counselors
learning gap	
Connection to Strategic Plan:	
Personalized Learning Pathways with	
Proactive Supports	
Proactively identify the needs	
of students to accelerate	
learning at all levels, including:	
equitable access to the core	
curriculum; individualized and	
differentiated learning for	
every student; ongoing	
formative assessment with	
timely intervention; and out-of-	
school-time strategies to	
sustain student progress.	
Incorporate the prior	
knowledge, learning styles,	
and cultural background of	
students in day-to-day	
instructional practices.	
Accelerate learning for	
underperforming students	
across the curriculum by	
providing equitable access to	
district and community	
supports.	
Implement personalized	
approaches that maximize	
individual capacity and	
achievement and fosters	
student motivation and	
ownership of learning.	
[Strategic Plan - pg. 10]	
Continue our work studying Dr. John Medina's Brain Rules	November, January, March
Connection to Strategic Plan: Growth	SDLT &
Mindset	English Department
Promote a growth mindset	
among students by	
emphasizing the connection	
between student effort and	
learning success, using school-	
wide strategies that reinforce a	
culture of continuous	
improvement, and rewarding	
student persistence toward	





mastery. [Strategic Plan - pg. 8]	
Go to job fairs, network with Hispanic	Spring
communities, and connect with universities	
that have a higher population of	Admin & HR
underrepresented students	
Connection to Strategic Plan: Highly	Dario Barajas, Kei Tsukamaki, Christina Brown,
Qualified, Culturally-Responsive Staff	Na'eemah Abdus-Salam, & Miyoung Lee
Attract, develop, and retain a	
highly qualified workforce that	
appreciates the diversity of the	
community and is committed	
to practices that are	
responsive to the needs of all	
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students and families.	
[Strategic Plan - pg. 11]	
Milestone 2: Winter 2020	Date
Identify possible Fee Reduction eligible	Monthly
students and educate students, parents, and	
teachers on the opportunity	Guidance Team
Connection to Strategic Plan: Access	
for Families from Diverse Cultural	
Backgrounds	
Employ a variety of authentic	
methods across languages	
and cultures to help families	
access school and community	
services; advocate for their	
student's needs; and support	
their students' learning in	
partnership with the school.	
[Strategic Plan - pg. 8]	
Milestone 3: Spring 2020	Date
Determine appropriate AP training for	Spring
teachers and investigate vertical alignment	
teams	SDLT & Admin
Connection to Strategic Plan:	
Professional Practices for Instructional	
Effectiveness	
5. Teachers and support staff	
participate in targeted	
professional development	
rooted in effective practices,	
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analysis of student data, and	
individual and collaborative	
reflection. [Strategic Plan - pg.	
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## GOAL 5: Ready for Lifelong Success after Graduation

## Theory of Action

Based on the data and root cause analysis we completed, we believe timely interventions and research-based practices are known to help students earn high school credits, therefore:

- □ If WHS staff identify incoming 9th-grade students with high-risk factors for failure, and
- If WHS staff review and act on data about students who are not on-track to earn credit at each grading period, and
- □ If WHS staff intervene using best practices for those students, and
- □ If WHS staff implement credit retrieval options during each grading period for students who are off-track, and
- □ If WHS staff work towards being more consistent and culturally responsive, and
- □ If WHS staff begin to implement PBIS/MTSS with fidelity, then

Woodinville High School will keep all 9th-grade students on track for graduation.

## SMART Goal

Our specific, measurable, attainable, relevant, and time-bound goal to address Goal 5 is as follows:

By June 2020, 100% of 9th-grade students will remain on-track for graduation.

Instructional Strategy	Instructional Practice
To make progress, toward our specific goal, we have developed milestones connected to the Strategic Plan for fall, winter, and spring.	Our instructional strategy relates to: • Building and Maintaining Relationships
Milestone 1: Fall 2019	Date
All 9th-grade students will create a 4-year plan for graduation	Spring & Fall
<ul> <li>Connection to Strategic Plan: Personalized Monitoring and Data Dashboard         <ul> <li>Implement assessment instruments and data dashboards for students, staff, and parents that: enable students to reflect on personal growth and learning styles; monitor student progress through and beyond high school; track rates of transfer, dropout, graduation, and post high- school outcomes (e.g., enrollment in college, students in careers) to inform prevention</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	Counselors & Advisors





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and intervention processes; and	
inform parents and the public	
about school, department, and	
district performance. [Strategic	
Plan - pg. 15	
Monitor all 9th-grade students not currently on	Every Tuesday
track to graduate and develop an action plan	
with a specific timeline for each student that	Guidance Team
may include contacting teachers and parents	Soldance ream
and/or referral to extra tutorials, counseling,	
and/or mental health support	
Connection to Strategic Plan: On-Track	
for High School Graduation	
Align the district's early-	
identification processes to	
continuously screen and monitor	
the progress of high school	
students towards on-time high	
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school graduation; and offer an	
array of opportunities and	
supports to ensure students meet	
graduation requirements.	
[Strategic Plan - pg. 15]	
Analyze 9th-grade D/F and absentee data and	Every Month
refer students for appropriate interventions that	
may include alerting teachers/counselors of	SDLT, PLC Teams, Assessment Coordinators,
students struggling in more than one class	& Kim Benedict
and/or contacting parents regarding absences	
Connection to Strategic Plan: <b>On-Track</b>	
for High School Graduation	
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supports to ensure students meet	
graduation requirements.	
[Strategic Plan - pg. 15]	
Connection to Strategic Plan:	
Professional Practices for Instructional	
Effectiveness	
6. Principal/Leadership Team	
ensures frequent and regular	
review of data to align	
individualized and group	
professional and performance	
goals to student progress and	
staff growth [Strategic Plan - pg. 5]	





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Implement PBIS/MTSS System of Strategies	August - June
Connection to Strategic Plan: Equitable,	
Needs-Based Master Schedules and	PBIS/MTSS Team - Katherine Lamb, Kate
Interventions	Miller, Jamie Olson, Kei Tsukamaki, Matt Fry,
Design Master Schedules in ways	& Craig Richardson
that provide all students	
equitable, needs-based multiple	
pathways to graduate on time,	
and a system of timely,	
proactive interventions for	
struggling students or students at	
risk of dropping out. [Strategic	
Plan - pg. 15	
Continue Bias Awareness Training	Inservice
Connection to Strategic Plan: Cultural	
Competence Professional Development	SDLT
Provide frequent and ongoing	
cultural competence	Equity Team - Rick Lizotte, Lisa North, Alexis
professional development to all	Barelli, Rebekah Sandusky, Ann Cargill, Paul
staff to promote high	Glenovich/Coby Dilling, & Craig Richardson
expectations for the intellectual	
capabilities of all students and a	
culture of inclusivity, equity, and	
accountability. [Strategic Plan -	
pg. 9]	
Implement Extra Tutorials	November – June
Connection to Strategic Plan: Mentors and	
Advocates	Falcon Time & After School
Provide community members,	
teachers, parents, peers, or	Admin (Senior Saturdays)
other mentorship opportunities	
to assist students in acquiring the	WHS Staff, NHS, & Ruth Krochmalny (Falcon
knowledge, skills, and	Quest)
dispositions for successful	
transition into life after high	
school graduation. [Strategic	
Plan - pg. 14]	Sport Socioni
Continue Athlete Study Tables	Sport Seasons
Connection to Strategic Plan: Mentors	Coachar Toachar NUS Studants & Falaan
and Advocates	Coaches, Teachers, NHS Students, & Falcon Quest Volunteers
Provide community members,	
teachers, parents, peers, or	
other mentorship opportunities	
to assist students in acquiring the	
knowledge, skills, and	
dispositions for successful	
transition into life after high	
school graduation. [Strategic	
Plan - pg. 14] Implement Advisory and Social-Emotional	October - June





Curriculum Connection to Strategic Plan: Student	All WHS teachers and various classified staff
Advisory	
Implement a student advisory	MHS Jenn Cruze
program that ensures every high	
school student is known by	
name, strength, and need by at	
least one adult at the school.	
[Strategic Plan - pg. 14]	
Milestone 2: Winter 2020	Date
Continue Credit Retrieval Course Offerings	November – December & March – April
Connection to Strategic Plan: Avenues	
of Opportunities for High School	Counselors, Teachers, and Admin Team
Graduation	
Continue to develop and	
maintain multiple avenues for	
meeting graduation	
requirements and an early-	
warning system to help students	
stay on track to graduate.	
[Strategic Plan - pg. 14]	
Milestone 3: Spring 2020	Date
Contact feeder schools for information	June, August
regarding incoming freshmen exhibiting high	
risk-of-failure factors (failure in 2 or more	SDLT, Admin, Guidance Team, Special Ed
classes, failure in math or English, frequent	Department, Counselors at WHS & Pathway
absences) and work to develop early	MS
interventions, support, and proper placement	
Connection to Strategic Plan: <b>On-Track</b>	
for High School Graduation	
Align the district's early-	
identification processes to	
continuously screen and monitor	
the progress of high school	
students towards on-time high	
school graduation; and offer an	
array of opportunities and	
supports to ensure students meet	
graduation requirements.	
[Strategic Plan - pg. 15]	
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professional and performance	
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staff growth [Strategic Plan - pg. 51

## Monitoring Our Progress

Following a cycle of continuous improvement means that we will measure our progress at least three times during the school year for each of our goals according to the identified assessments/standards outlined in our specific, measurable, attainable, relevant, and time-bound aims. As we collect data, we will determine the efficacy of our selected instructional strategy. If, according to the data, our strategy appears to be working, we will keep that strategy intact and then layer on another. On the other hand, if the data indicates that there is no impact, we may stop using the originally selected strategy and try a new one. It is in this way -- through the continuous review and analysis of data, selection of strategies, and measurement of results -- that we will close our gaps and create success for our students.

## PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

Selecting goals, developing theories of action, getting specific about our intended outcomes, and implementing instructional strategies that we believe will make a difference for our students are all important parts of our strategic work this year. However, without each of the adults at Woodinville High School meeting regularly to learn together, review data, and make adjustments as needed, our work will not result in the outcomes we desire. During the 2019-20 school year, we will participate in the following professional development as part of our work:

- Through the work of the Equity Committee, provide frequent and ongoing cultural competence professional development to all staff.
- Increase the capacity and utilization of effective instructional practices by developing a deeper understanding of the state evaluation model using the Danielson framework through the use of Learning Walks.
- Provide opportunities for teacher professional development through areas such as peer observations of student work, collaborative teams, classroom observations, differentiated instruction, and technology instruction.
- Further develop Professional Learning Communities (PLCs) throughout all departments, focused on aligning curriculum, creating common assessments, and improving instruction through collegial sharing and accountability.
- Evaluate instructional practices and collaborated to establish essential outcomes, plan lessons, and develop and score common assessments.

## **COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP**

Finally, we know that we cannot do this work alone. Your partnership and support is greatly appreciated. Here are the ways we will involve you and the rest of our Northshore community this year:

• At Woodinville High School we believe community involvement is imperative to the success of the school at large. Our success as a learning community is supported by our close connection with our parents, alumni, and community members who positively support and enhance our students' educational experience.





- We recognize that parent and community involvement in each student's education has a positive impact on student achievement and provides volunteer opportunities both inside and outside of the classroom. Parent and community volunteers can be observed daily on our campus and we welcome and encourage them to play an active role in our Falcon community.
- We have an active and supportive PTSA that advocates for the entire Woodinville High School student body throughout our "5A's": Academics, Activities, Arts, Athletics, and Advanced Placement. We are thankful our PTSA supports and encourages students, staff, and parents through various committee activities and events, as well as advocates for all our students through teacher and staff grants that further enhance both the educational and total high school experience. WHS PTSA is a great way to get involved in the Falcon community and we encourage parents to join PTSA and attend its meetings.
- We keep communication with parents and community open with a weekly principal electronic publication, "E-News from the Principal", and through website enhancements.
- Please join us and help support and celebrate Woodinville High School.

## Thank you for being part of your student's education and for partnering with us!