



Department of Access & Opportunity

(formerly School Development)

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Stamford Public Schools
EXCELLENCE IS THE POINT.



Student Centered

The Department of Access & Opportunity is committed to developing programs that ensure each student has access to, and is engaged in, rigorous and relevant learning opportunities that prepare them to become productive contributing members of society.



Department of Access & Opportunity

- Office of Family and Community Engagement
- Adult & Continuing Education
- Magnet Lottery
- Health/Nurses
- Research
- **Office of School Innovation**



Vision of School Innovation



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- SPS Anchor
- Move to Exclude Process
- Juvenile Justice
- Restorative Student Support Facilitators
- External Partnerships for Student Support
- Grade Promotion Support (Fall 2023)
- Remote Learning Program (Fall 2023)
- Big Picture Learning Academy (Fall 2024)



Grade Promotion Support (Fall 2023)

Goal: Shrink the school environment and provide a nurturing educational experience

Details include:

- Skills for Success course taught by GPS Advisor
- Teamed (4) core courses
- Wrap-around support with family engagement, goal setting, and progress monitoring from GPS Advisor
- Access to Future Five
- Shared Family Advocate
- Continue cohort through grades 11 and 12



Remote Learning Program (Fall 2023)

Goal: Provide access to SPS students in grades 9-12 to a fully remote learning program.

Details include:

- Access to a range of courses including college prep, honors, and A.P. through digital platforms
- Guidance and support from a Remote Learning Specialist
- Aligned to CSDE Standards for Remote Learning
- Access to a small learning community of like-minded learners
- Opportunities for individualized and small-group check-ins
- In-person meetings available as needed



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Universal Programs & Support

Available to all students.

Includes:

- Daily best instructional practices
- School Counseling Services
- Opportunities for engagement and sense of belonging, including after school clubs/programs/activities, etc.



Embedded Programs

Students have choice to apply or opt in.

Examples include:

- Early College Studies (ECS) @ SHS
- HS of Business @ SHS
- International Baccalaureate DP @ SHS
- Agricultural Science @ WHS
- Academy of Finance @ WHS
- JROTC @ WHS

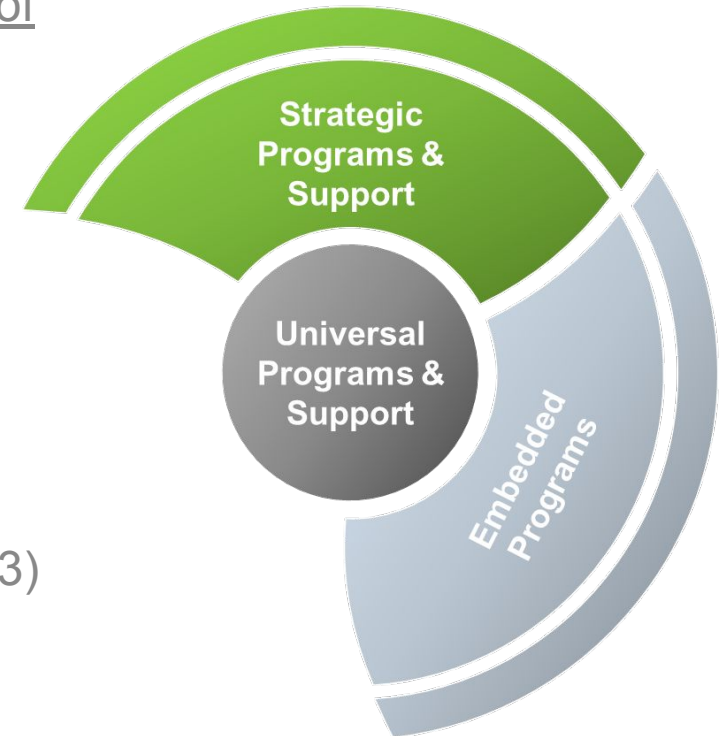


Strategic Programs & Support

Provide referred students an additional level of support beyond what is offered universally.

Examples include:

- DOMUS Family Advocate Support
- On-Track Rise Coordinator Support
- Credit and/or Grade Recovery
- Grade Promotion Support (New Fall 2023)
- REACH
- Small-group Intervention
- Small-group Counseling

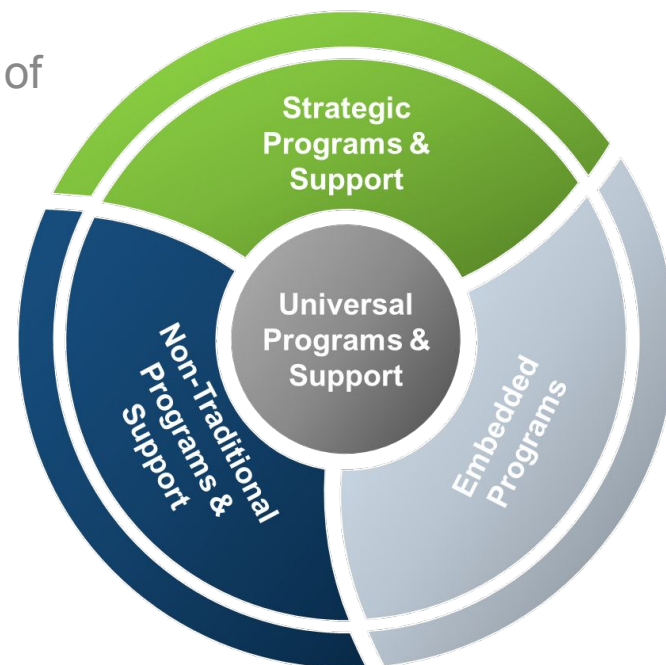


Non-Traditional Support

Offer access and support that are housed outside of the comprehensive high schools.

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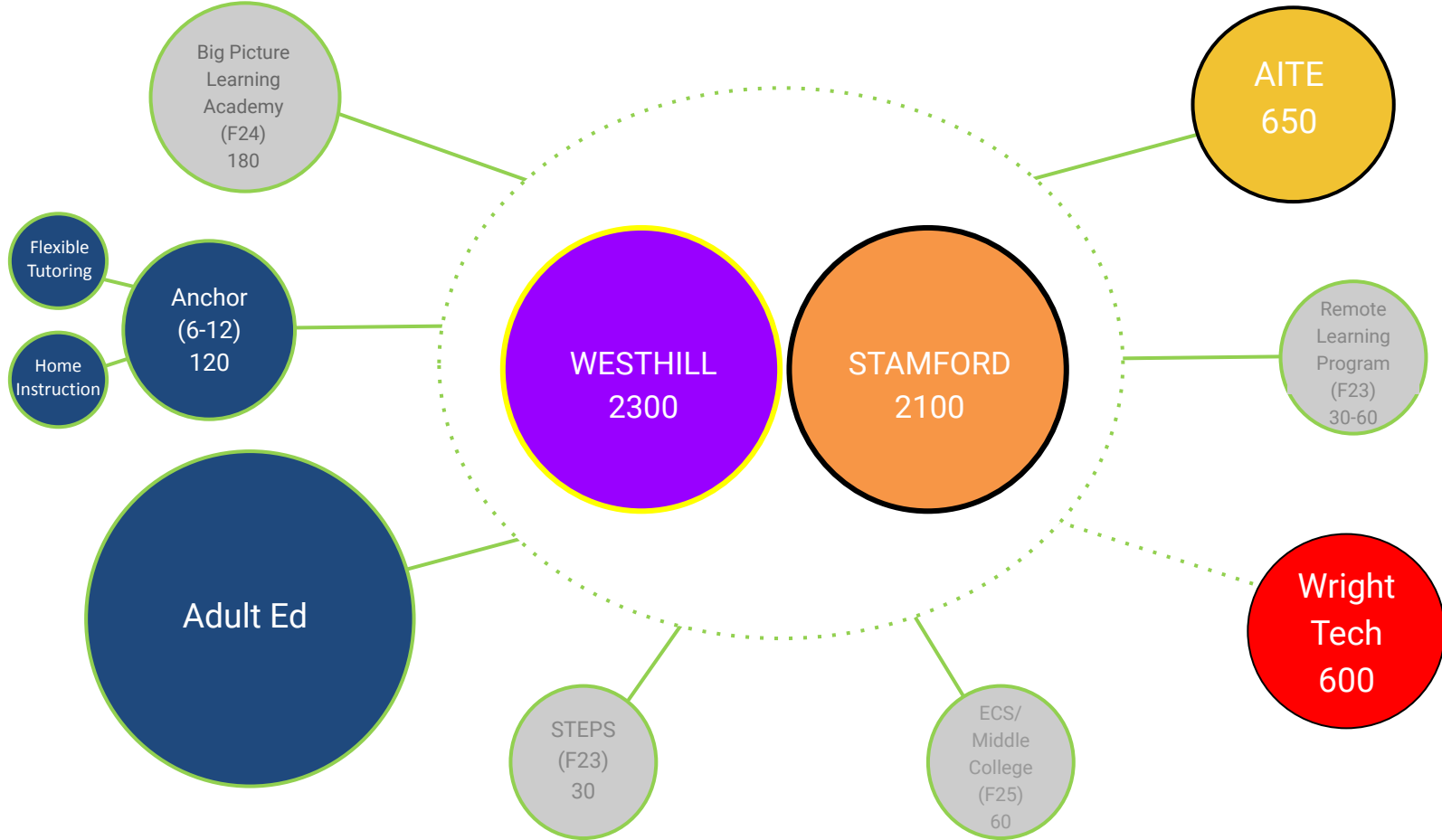
- SPS Anchor
- Flexible Home Tutoring
- STEPS—*Special Education* (New Fall 2023)
- Remote Learning Program (New Fall 2023)
- Big Picture Learning Academy (New Fall 2024)
- Adult & Continuing Education



Putting It All Together



Access and Opportunity for Each Student



Next Steps

- Visioning Meeting May 22
- Implementation of Grade Promotion Support
- Implementation of Remote Learning Academy
- Planning for Big Picture Learning Academy
- Continued Outreach and Planning





Department of Access & Opportunity Questions?

