

Yellow Springs EV School District

2023 & Beyond Strategic Plan



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The district

In late winter 2023, the Board of Education for the Yellow Springs Exempted Village School District started the process of creating a new strategic plan that would result in a new community-invested vision and mission statement, core values, and specific goals to guide the district in the future.

A diverse group of community members, teachers, administrators, district staff and board members came together to consider and debate the future direction of Yellow Springs Schools. These discussions resulted in a comprehensive strategic plan that aligned district initiatives and programs to the identified plan goals, each with a set of suggested measurable and actionable strategies.

Vision

Thinking boldly, caring deeply and advocating courageously.

Mission

Cultivating curiosity, fostering learning and nurturing compassion in our fearless thinkers for a better tomorrow.



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At Yellow Springs Schools, we value:

- A diverse and inclusive community
- Supporting and nurturing ALL students on their learning journey
- Encouraging critical and creative thinking, problem solving, active inquiry, and positive action
- Students, families and staff who are involved, engaged, and curious
- Education in harmony with the environment
- The arts as integral to core learning
- Collaborative and consistent communication and conversation

Our goals

Bold teaching and learning

Yellow Springs Schools teach deeper learning competencies and expand the academic experience through innovative practices.

Deep caring

Yellow Springs Schools prioritize a culture of kindness, belonging, and well-being for all members of our school community.

Facilities

Yellow Springs Schools provide a safe, comfortable, and accessible learning environment to instill pride and inspire current and future educational excellence.

Finances

Yellow Springs Schools use resources strategically to support the district’s mission and plans for a sustainable tomorrow.

School and community engagement

Yellow Springs Schools, through a culture of connection and collaboration, foster inclusive engagement and community building that is accessible, relevant, and participatory.

We believe that if we are accountable to these goals as a district and as a community, outcomes will improve, achievement will increase, and our intention to do what is best for each student will be clear.

Yellow Springs Schools staff and community members with particular expertise or strong interest in these goal areas will serve on action teams. Action teams will assist the Board of Education and senior administration in shepherding the new or ongoing strategies aligned directly within each goal. As strategies and objectives are implemented and evaluated, new ones will be discussed, planned, initiated and measured.

2023 Strategic Planning Team

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