

Priority Areas

Based on community feedback and initial planning by the Board of Education and Executive Leadership Team, the following areas were identified as priorities to be focused on in order to fulfill the mission of the district. A district goal has been developed for each area.

Increasing the Graduation Rate

- **Goal:** Increase the WCSD graduation rate by implementing individualized learning and engagement experiences inside and outside of the classroom for all students.

Increasing Meaningful Student Engagement

- **Goal:** Enhance overall student engagement in the Watertown City School District by implementing comprehensive initiatives that focus on creating dynamic and inclusive learning environments, fostering meaningful connections between students and educators, and providing diverse extracurricular opportunities that cater to students' interests and talents.

Improving Overall Student Attendance

- **Goal:** Improve the student attendance rate in the Watertown City School District by implementing targeted strategies and interventions that foster a positive and supportive learning environment, address barriers to attendance, and actively engage students, parents, and the community in promoting regular school attendance.

Enhancing Behavioral Supports for Students

- **Goal:** Enhance student behavioral supports in the Watertown City School District through evidence-based strategies, positive school climate initiatives, targeted interventions for at-risk students, and professional development for staff. The objective is to create a safe and supportive learning environment that promotes the social-emotional well-being of all students.

Enhancing Infrastructure (Buildings & Grounds)

- **Goal:** Improve infrastructure (buildings and grounds) in the Watertown City School District by implementing strategic enhancements and maintenance initiatives. This includes modernizing facilities, addressing critical maintenance needs, and creating a safe, conducive, and aesthetically pleasing environment for optimal student learning and staff well-being.

