



**Great Falls Public Schools**

**Strategic Goals**

**2023/2024**

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## **Student Achievement 2023/2024**

*Great Falls Public Schools believes that we should have comprehensive systems of support in place to ensure that Students achieve the highest levels of academic growth.*

**Goal: The District will develop and implement targeted strategies to improve student learning outcomes and develop the essential skills necessary for citizenship, career and/or college readiness, as measured by academic achievement data.**

### **Action Steps:**

1. Develop a GFPS Profile of a Learner and a Profile of a Graduate.
2. Identify and focus on improving individual student learning outcomes for achievement, attendance, and behavior needs.
3. Develop and begin implementation of a three-year comprehensive “Reading by end of Third Grade” initiative, to include students, staff, parents, and community stakeholder groups.
4. Continue with adoption and implementation of curriculum initiatives:
  - a.) Continue implementation of English Language Arts
  - b.) Adopt Social Studies resources and materials and implement them
  - c.) Begin implementation of the Math Task Force recommendations.
5. Refine the organizational leadership shift at the district level for enhanced communication and collaboration with staff to improve student outcomes.



## Healthy, Safe and Secure Schools 2023/2024

*The District believes that a comprehensive educational environment addresses the health, safety, and social/emotional needs of all students and staff.*

**Goal:** The District will design and implement policies, strategies, and practices to address specific health and safety concerns, while monitoring the overall health and wellbeing of all students and staff.

### Action Steps:

- 1. Implement high engagement practices that promote** physical and cultural learning environments in schools that are safe, respectful, and nurturing for **all** students, **staff, and visitors**.
- 2.** Continue to engage all students/families while identifying those who are disengaged.
- 3.** Provide school-based mental health and wellness programs in collaboration with community partners to address the needs of students, families, and **STAFF** in all schools.



## **Stewardship and Accountability 2023/2024**

*The District believes that our resources and staff are public assets requiring responsible stewardship, accountability and community involvement.*

**Goal: The District will utilize available funding sources (public and private) to maximize district resources in a fiscally responsible and transparent manner.**

### **Action Steps:**

1. The District allocation of all resources will follow updated District policies, state laws, and federal requirements.
2. The District will work with community partners to assess demographic changes within Great Falls to forecast and determine facilities needs through 2027.
3. The District will work cooperatively with the GFPS Foundation to continue utilizing private funding to enhance education.
4. The District will invite and encourage the involvement of students, staff, parents, and community partners in the following areas:
  - a.) Budget and school finance
  - b.) Technology
  - c.) Recruitment and retention
  - d.) Facilities and grounds
  - e.) Communications and mutual collaborations
  - f.) Workforce development
  - g.) Military family and student support services
  - h.) Academic achievement