



COHASSET SCHOOL COMMITTEE

FY 16 GOALS & ACCOMPLISHMENTS

JULY 2016

GOAL 1: Develop report card for measuring district and student achievement by June 2016.

FY 16 ACCOMPLISHMENT

- ✱ Completed benchmarking assessments; established list of benchmarking districts for comparison both in size, geographic locations, and student achievement.
- ✱ Benchmarked SAT, MCAS, and AP performance.



GOAL 2: Re-envision and update strategic plan for Cohasset school district by June 2016.

FY 16 ACCOMPLISHMENT

- ✱ The School Committee supported the District Leadership Team in the year long development of the 5 year Cohasset Public Schools (CPS) Strategic Plan commencing FY17.
- ✱ The Strategic Plan was completed and approved by the School Committee in June 2016.



GOAL 3: Emphasize consistent, timely communication with the community and ensure that key school initiatives are explained through a variety of media channels.

FY 16 ACCOMPLISHMENT

- ✱ Supported roll out of the new District website.
- ✱ Supported development of CPS social media presence on Facebook and Twitter to launch Summer 2016.



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GOAL 3 Continued:

- ✱ Brokered partnership with parents of kindergarten children regarding class size. Supported the first ever timed registration period to maintain class sizes in Kindergarten.
- ✱ Established best practices for timely approval/posting of meeting minutes.
- ✱ Continued to develop the District's relationship with the *Cohasset Mariner*.
- ✱ Supported the expanded use of Blackboard Connect and iPass.
- ✱ With parents and faculty, the School Committee, supported the dedication of the Deer Hill library, and the Cohasset Middle School transition to Camp Wing from Camp Bournedale for the 6th grade.



GOAL 3 Continued:

- ✱ Established School Committee liaisons to Safe Harbor Coalition. Continued liaison relationships with Elder Affairs, AEC, CHS Hall of Fame, Emergency Management, PSO, SEPAC and CEF. Regularly attended Board of Selectmen (BOS), Advisory, and Capital Budget Committee meetings.
- ✱ Developed Frequently Asked Questions Regarding School Operating Budget document for the community. Has been a great communications tool.



GOAL 4: Professionally manage governance objectives during Fiscal 2016.

FY 16 ACCOMPLISHMENT

- ✱ **Negotiated contracts:** Cohasset Teachers' Association (CTA), CTA - ESP's, CTA - Secretaries, Principal at Cohasset Middle/High School (CMHS), Assistant Principals at CMHS, Osgood and Deer Hill Principals, Assistant Superintendent, and Business Manager.



GOAL 4 Continued:

- ✱ Supported new contracts for Board Certified Behavior Analyst (BCBA) and Special Education Team Chairs.
- ✱ Negotiated contracts with Food Service Staff and Custodians.
- ✱ Established School Committee Handbook. Defined School Committee roles, responsibilities and protocols. Created follow-up list protocol.
- ✱ Established new subcommittees; Technology, Security, Superintendent Evaluation.
- ✱ Completed in depth analysis of bus usage within the District. Created a bus maintenance strategy, and supported development of a financial tracking tool for the bus fleet including bus usage and maintenance by vehicle.



GOAL 4 Continued:

- ✱ Supported new School Resource Officer (SRO) position. The SRO provided periodic updates to the community with positive reports from all parties.
- ✱ Reviewed Security policies and protocols. Worked with Cohasset Police Department to complete security assessment of all schools. Final report due August 2016.
- ✱ Completed (15) policy updates. Policies FF, JJF, JKAA, GBEC, IHAMB, JICH, JLCD, JBA, GBA, ACA, EDCA, EDCA-B, EDCA-C, ADDA, and ADDA-R now updated in CPS Policy Manual.
- ✱ Benchmarked and adjusted Building Utilization Fees. Revised fee structure for CPS buildings and grounds.



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FY 16 COLLABORATIVE EFFORTS



TOWN & COHASSET PUBLIC SCHOOL COLLABORATION:

- ✳ Collaborated with Capital Budget Committee/Town Manager/Chief Technology Officer on the implementation and rollout of technology for digital learning grades K-5.
- ✳ Informed Town Leaders on the mandates and obligations of Special Education programs and the impacts on budget.
- ✳ Created Cohasset's new Special Education Stabilization Fund to offset unexpected and unanticipated Special Education needs.
- ✳ Established a SOP for filling an unexpected vacated School Committee seat in conjunction with the Board of Selectmen.



TOWN & COHASSET PUBLIC SCHOOL COLLABORATION CONTINUED:

- ✱ Worked with the AEC to attain “Green Community” designation for the town, and adopted a Fuel Efficient Vehicle Policy. Retrofitted energy efficient lighting at the schools resulting in utility cost savings.
- ✱ Participated in Town Manager Fiscal Forums.
- ✱ Presented an Executive Summary of the requested budget to Board of Selectmen and Advisory Committee.





"Alone we can do so little;
together we can do so
much."

- *Helen Keller*

