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# School Comprehensive Education Plan 2024-25

District	School Name	Grades Served
Mount Vernon City School District	Traphagen School	Pre K- 8

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## Guidance for Teams

### Template

Any part of the plan can be collapsed or expanded by clicking on the triangle next to the blue headings. You can also move through the sections of the plan by accessing the Navigation Pane in Microsoft Word.

### Prior to Writing the Plan

Prior to working on this document, school teams should have:

1. Completed the Five-Part Needs Assessment
  - [Activity 1: Envision: Exploring Your Vision, Values, and Aspirations](#) *(optional for re-identified schools)*
  - [Activity 2: Analyze: Internal and External Data](#)
  - [Activity 3: Analyze: Survey Data](#)
  - [Activity 4: Listen: Student Interviews](#)
  - [Activity 5: Envision: Reflect, Synthesize, and Plan](#)
2. Re-identified Schools:
  - Participated in [SCEP Pre-Team Meeting Planning Session 4](#) with their NYSED/District/BOCES liaison after the Commitments and Key Strategies were identified and before the implementation plan was written.

### Commitments

The team should identify 2 to 4 Commitments for the 2024-25 school year. An ideal Commitment is something that the school team sees as part of a long-range vision for the school. **At least one Commitment must be connected to Teaching and Learning.** School teams may find it helpful to consider the following sentence starter to assist in identifying a commitment: *This school is committed to \_\_\_\_\_.*

### Key Strategies

As part of the annual improvement plan, schools will need to identify 1-4 Key Strategies for each Commitment and develop their plan around these strategies.

Each Key Strategy selected should represent something that will look different this upcoming year in comparison to previous years. The Key Strategy should fit one of the following categories:

1. Something **new** to the school; or
2. Something existing that is **being expanded** to reach a wider audience; or
3. Something existing that is **being refined** in this upcoming year and will look different from the past.

These Key Strategies should connect to the data reviewed and/or the student interviews conducted through the needs assessment process. Teams will need to explain on the template why they have selected each Key Strategy.

While Commitments represent more long-term goals or values that are guiding the school, Key Strategies serve as the means by which the school will advance that Commitment during the upcoming year.

Schools may find Hattie's [High Impact Teaching Strategies](#) and the [Diagnostic Tool for School and District Effectiveness \(DTSDE\) Framework](#) and [Phases of Implementation](#) to be helpful resources when considering Key Strategies.



## Implementation

For each Key Strategy selected, the school team will need to outline its plan for prioritizing that Key Strategy in the upcoming year.

For Key Strategies that are something **new** to the school, the plan would outline how the Key Strategy will be introduced and rolled out. For Key Strategies that are **being expanded** to reach a wider audience, the plan would outline how this expansion would occur. For Key Strategies that are **being refined** in this upcoming year, the plan would outline the new ways in which this Key Strategy is being prioritized that differ from previous years.

For each of these three categories of Key Strategies, the plan for implementation should **outline a sequence of activities that build upon previous activities**, along with the resources necessary to support that specific Key Strategy.

In the column to the right of each activity, identify if the activity **will be in place by Early Progress Milestone (EPM) or the Mid-Year Benchmark (MYB)**. The team can then use this information to gauge progress when it meets during the 2024-25 school year. For strategies designed to occur after the Mid-Year Benchmark meeting, leave those two boxes blank.

## Success Criteria and Benchmark Targets

After school teams identify their Key Strategies, they should consider success criteria and benchmarks that will help them determine if they are making sufficient progress with the Key Strategies and toward their Commitment throughout the year.

Each Key Strategy will have at least one Early Progress Milestone that is intended to provide the school team with helpful feedback as to the initial success of the plan. The data selected for the Early Progress Milestone should directly align with the Key Strategy.

Each Commitment will also have at least one mid-year benchmark and one end-of-the-year target. School teams will also need to identify spring survey targets for each Commitment.

The plan template is designed with the intention that the school teams will return to their plan throughout the year and make updates when necessary. To monitor the Success Criteria for each Commitment, there is a section for the team to update during the year and record the outcome data or evidence they ended up seeing next to the target originally identified. Teams should keep this section blank when writing the plan and anticipate bringing the team back together throughout the upcoming year to gauge the success of the plan.

## SCEP Rubric

NYSED has developed [a rubric](#) that is intended to serve as a means of helping team members identify potential ways to strengthen their plan. The rubric may be a useful tool to refer to as the plan is being written. Schools should plan on self-assessing their plan against the rubric after their initial draft is finalized.

## Resources for Team

- [Assembling Your Improvement Planning Team](#)
- NYSED Improvement Planning website: <http://www.nysed.gov/accountability/improvement-planning>

## Evidence-Based Intervention

All CSI and TSI schools must implement at least one evidence-based intervention as part of its SCEP. The intervention identified must meet the criteria of a Tier 1, Tier 2, or Tier 3 evidence-based intervention under ESSA. More information can be found at: <http://www.nysed.gov/accountability/evidence-based-interventions>.

Schools may choose **one of three options** for identifying their evidence-based intervention:

**Option 1:** Selecting an intervention from the **State-Supported Evidence Based Interventions** located at: <http://www.nysed.gov/accountability/state-supported-evidence-based-strategies>

**Option 2:** Selecting an evidence-based intervention **identified in one of three clearinghouses:** What Works Clearinghouse, Social Programs That Work, or Blueprints for Healthy Youth Development

**Option 3:** Reviewing research to identify its own evidence-based intervention that meets the criteria for ESSA evidence-based intervention Tier 1, Tier 2, or Tier 3 found at: <http://www.nysed.gov/accountability/evidence-based-interventions>

**Directions:** Place an "X" in the box next to the path the school has chosen for identifying its evidence-based intervention and follow the corresponding directions for that path.

### ☐ State-Supported Evidence Based Intervention

If "X" is marked above, provide responses to the prompts below to identify the intervention and the Commitment(s) it will support:

<b>Evidence-Based Intervention Identified</b>	
<b>We envision that this Evidence-Based Intervention will support the following Commitment(s)</b>	
<b>How does this evidence-based intervention connect to what the team learned when exploring the Envision/Analyze/Listen process?</b>	



## Evidence-Based Intervention

### ☐ Clearinghouse-Identified

If "X" is marked above, provide responses to the prompts below to identify the intervention, the Commitment(s) it will support, the Clearinghouse that supports this as an evidence-based intervention, and the rating that Clearinghouse gave that intervention:

<b>Evidence-Based Intervention Identified</b>	
<b>We envision that this Evidence-Based Intervention will support the following Commitment(s)</b>	
<b>How does this evidence-based intervention connect to what the team learned when exploring the Envision/Analyze/Listen process?</b>	

#### Clearinghouse used and corresponding rating

- ☐ **What Works Clearinghouse**
  - ☐ Rating: Meets WWC Standards Without Reservations
  - ☐ Rating: Meets WWC Standards With Reservations
- ☐ **Social Programs That Work**
  - ☐ Rating: Top Tier
  - ☐ Rating: Near Top Tier
- ☐ **Blueprints for Healthy Youth Development**
  - ☐ Rating: Model Plus
  - ☐ Rating: Model
  - ☐ Rating: Promising

### ☐ School-Identified

If "X" is marked above, complete the prompts below to identify the intervention, the Commitment(s) it will support, and the research that supports this as an evidence-based intervention.

<b>Evidence-Based Intervention Identified</b>	
<b>We envision that this Evidence-Based Intervention will support the following Commitment(s)</b>	
<b>How does this evidence-based intervention connect to what the team learned when exploring the Envision/Analyze/Listen process?</b>	
<b>Link to research study that supports this as an evidence-based intervention (the study must include a description of the research methodology)</b>	

## COMMITMENT I

### Our Commitment

<p><b>What is one Commitment we will promote for 2024-25?</b></p>	<p>We are committed to helping students and adults build positive relationships to promote a supportive and safe learning environment where students thrive socially, physically, emotionally, and academically.</p>
<p><b>Why are we making this Commitment?</b></p> <p><i>Things to potentially take into consideration when crafting this response:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>How does this Commitment fit into what we envision for the school?</i></li> <li>• <i>How does this Commitment relate to what we heard when listening to others?</i></li> <li>• <i>How does this Commitment connect to what we observed through analysis?</i></li> </ul>	<p>This commitment fits into the Traphagen school's vision by addressing social and emotional needs through literacy. Literacy is inherently academic, and this commitment will allow Traphagen to explore social, emotional, and physical needs through an academic lens.</p> <p>This emerged as something to commit to because our students are presenting a need due to the current societal issues. According to the DTSDE Survey, 51% of students are of the opinion that they are not comfortable expressing their feelings to staff members. According to a school-based survey, 65% of our students are of the opinion that the school does not take into consideration student opinions about changes that should happen in the building.</p> <p>The "Envisioning Activity" document influenced this commitment because when the social, emotional, and cognitive dimensions of learning work together, young people are more likely to achieve academic success and enhance life skills such as teamwork and empathy, which helps them thrive inside and outside of the classroom.</p> <p>The Envisioning Activity and the Student Survey made it abundantly clear that our staff needs support in addressing societal issues that surround our students. Weaving social-emotional learning into all aspects of the curriculum.</p> <p>This commitment fits into other commitments and the school's long-term plans by allowing students to explore current issues in a safe space, promoting student agency and academic success through speaking, listening, reading, writing and math.</p>

### Key Strategies

In column 1, input a **total** of one to four strategies that reflect something **new** the school is introducing or something currently in existence that the school is **expanding** or **refining** for the upcoming school year. In column 2, identify if the strategy is something new, something being expanded, or something being refined. In column 3, identify the data that indicates these strategies will be beneficial to our school. For any key strategy that is not something new, provide a 1-2 sentence summary of how the key strategy will be expanded or refined next year.



# Commitment 1

KEY STRATEGY	HOW TO DOES THIS COMPARE TO EXISTING EFFORTS?	<p><b>WHY:</b> What did we learn from our needs assessment that suggests this is the right Key Strategy?</p> <p><i>Consider both data trends observed and student interview responses.</i></p> <p><i>For key strategy that does not represent something new, also provide 1-2 sentences on how the school will expand or refine the key strategy next year.</i></p>
Peer to peer learning opportunities	<input type="checkbox"/> NEW <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> EXPAND <input type="checkbox"/> REFINE	<p>Using the school's academic power hours and time slots arranged throughout the school schedule, students will have the opportunity to engage in peer-to-peer tutoring. Continuing to implement the morning program will allow students the opportunity for peer-to-peer learning.</p>
Homework Help	<input type="checkbox"/> NEW <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> EXPAND <input type="checkbox"/> REFINE	<p>Homework help will be offered before school, during lunch/recess, and after school. Students that meet success will be rotated out of the program to provide space for other students who need assistance. In addition, homework support stations will be in the classrooms. Students can visit the support station upon arrival if they are unable to complete their homework at home.</p>
Student Safe Space	<input type="checkbox"/> NEW <input type="checkbox"/> EXPAND <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> REFINE	<p>Students will have a voluntary open forum to talk about social and emotional concerns. This can be done during lunch periods or after school. This can also be during group sessions with the school counselor and the school social worker.</p>
Staff to Student Mentoring	<input type="checkbox"/> NEW <input type="checkbox"/> EXPAND <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> REFINE	<p>Staff volunteers will be assigned to a student who could benefit from a mentorship. Staff and students will share interests and likes, with a focus on social emotional well-being as well as academics.</p>
Fitness and Wellness Event	<input type="checkbox"/> NEW <input type="checkbox"/> EXPAND <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> REFINE	<p>A fitness and wellness event (Jump Rope for Heart, Hoops for Heart, et al) that will promote physical wellness and confidence. Staff and students are welcome to participate in these events and encourage physical fitness and wellness throughout the school community.</p>
No Place for Hate	<input type="checkbox"/> NEW <input type="checkbox"/> EXPAND <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> REFINE	<p>No Place for Hate builds a community of inclusivity, respect and equity. This is a student-led climate improvement program that fits the school's unique culture and needs. This includes No Place for Hate assemblies and trips to encourage a positive social environment and encourage learning.</p>



### Commitment 1

<b>Implementation of MTSS</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> NEW <input type="checkbox"/> EXPAND <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>REFINE</b>	Combining the RTI and PBIS process will positively impact the academic, social, and behavioral culture of the school. Continuing the use of the Child Study Team to identify and provide interventions and the use of the progress monitoring tool promotes academic success which will aid in social and emotional well-being.
<b>Family Math Night</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> NEW <input type="checkbox"/> EXPAND <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>REFINE</b>	Inviting families into the school to learn about the math curriculum and best practices to implement at home to assist their children with math
<b>Family Literacy Night</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> NEW <input type="checkbox"/> EXPAND <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>REFINE</b>	Inviting families into the school to learn about the literacy curriculum and best practices to implement at home to assist their children with literacy

## Implementation

<b>KEY STRATEGY 1      Peer to peer learning opportunities</b>	
<b>IMPLEMENTATION</b>	
What is our plan for implementing Key Strategy 1? What steps are involved?	When will this be in place?
Continue to implement academic power hour	<input type="checkbox"/> by EPM <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> by <b>MYB</b>
Continue the use of the morning program	<input type="checkbox"/> by EPM <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> by <b>MYB</b>
Provide opportunities for discussion regarding academics and social issues throughout the school day	<input type="checkbox"/> by EPM <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> by <b>MYB</b>
	<input type="checkbox"/> by EPM <input type="checkbox"/> by <b>MYB</b>
	<input type="checkbox"/> by EPM <input type="checkbox"/> by <b>MYB</b>
<b>RESOURCES</b>	
What resources (Schedule, Space, Money, Processes, Individuals) are necessary to support these strategies?	
Teachers to supervise students	
Money	
Space	

<b>KEY STRATEGY 2      Homework Help</b>	
<b>IMPLEMENTATION</b>	
What is our plan for implementing Key Strategy 2? What steps are involved?	When will this be in place?
Continue the morning program before school to assist with homework completion	<input type="checkbox"/> by EPM <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> by <b>MYB</b>
Set up a homework center in the classroom to be used upon student arrival	<input type="checkbox"/> by EPM <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> by <b>MYB</b>
Allow students to be "experts" in certain homework areas and assist peers	<input type="checkbox"/> by EPM <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> by <b>MYB</b>



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	<input type="checkbox"/> by EPM
	<input type="checkbox"/> by MYB
	<input type="checkbox"/> by EPM
	<input type="checkbox"/> by MYB
<b>RESOURCES</b>	
What resources (Schedule, Space, Money, Processes, Individuals) are necessary to support these strategies?	
Teachers to supervise students in the morning before school	
Space	
Money	

<b>KEY STRATEGY 3</b>	<b>Student Safe Space</b>
<b>IMPLEMENTATION</b>	
What is our plan for implementing Key Strategy 3? What steps are involved?	
Provide a schedule for when the safe space sessions will occur	When will this be in place? <input type="checkbox"/> by EPM <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> by MYB
Provide a drop box where students can place their thoughts and feelings if they do not want to speak to them aloud	<input type="checkbox"/> by EPM <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> by MYB
Provide a schedule for when the school counselor and social worker are available to address any individual needs	<input type="checkbox"/> by EPM <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> by MYB
	<input type="checkbox"/> by EPM <input type="checkbox"/> by MYB
	<input type="checkbox"/> by EPM <input type="checkbox"/> by MYB
<b>RESOURCES</b>	
What resources (Schedule, Space, Money, Processes, Individuals) are necessary to support these strategies?	
Staff	
Space	
Time in the school schedule	

<b>KEY STRATEGY 4</b>	<b>Staff to Student Mentoring</b>
<b>IMPLEMENTATION</b>	
What is our plan for implementing Key Strategy 4? What steps are involved?	
Establish set check in and check out times for students who may benefit	When will this be in place? <input type="checkbox"/> by EPM <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> by MYB
Assign a mentor who the student is comfortable with	<input type="checkbox"/> by EPM <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> by MYB
Implement check in, check out, and mentoring times with fidelity	<input type="checkbox"/> by EPM <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> by MYB
<b>RESOURCES</b>	
What resources (Schedule, Space, Money, Processes, Individuals) are necessary to support these strategies?	
Staff volunteers	
Time in the schedule to provide mentoring	

<b>KEY STRATEGY 5</b>	<b>Fitness and Wellness Event</b>
<b>IMPLEMENTATION</b>	
What is our plan for implementing Key Strategy 4? What steps are involved?	
	When will this be in place?



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Provide a variety of opportunities for students and staff to participate in fitness and wellness events	<input type="checkbox"/> by EPM <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> by MYB
Provide a fitness and wellness event quarterly	<input type="checkbox"/> by EPM <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> by MYB
	by EPM by MYB
<b>RESOURCES</b>	
What resources (Schedule, Space, Money, Processes, Individuals) are necessary to support these strategies?	
Staff and student participants	
Space	

<b>KEY STRATEGY 6</b>	<b>No Place for Hate</b>
<b>IMPLEMENTATION</b>	
What is our plan for implementing Key Strategy 4? What steps are involved?	
Introduce No Place for Hate at the beginning of the school year	<input type="checkbox"/> by EPM <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> by MYB
Conduct No Place for Hate assemblies quarterly	<input type="checkbox"/> by EPM <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> by MYB
Participate in No Place for Hate field trip	<input type="checkbox"/> by EPM <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> by MYB
Participate in Not Place for Hate walk to school day	
<b>RESOURCES</b>	
What resources (Schedule, Space, Money, Processes, Individuals) are necessary to support these strategies?	
Staff and student participants	

<b>KEY STRATEGY 7</b>	<b>Implementation of MTSS</b>
<b>IMPLEMENTATION</b>	
What is our plan for implementing Key Strategy 4? What steps are involved?	
Evaluate iReady data to determine students in need	<input type="checkbox"/> by EPM <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> by MYB
Continue Child Study Team Meetings to determine interventions	<input type="checkbox"/> by EPM <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> by MYB
Continue coaching sessions to assist staff members in need of guidance with MTSS process	<input type="checkbox"/> by EPM <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> by MYB
Continue to refine and implement the progress monitoring tool to determine the effectiveness of established interventions	
<b>RESOURCES</b>	
What resources (Schedule, Space, Money, Processes, Individuals) are necessary to support these strategies?	
Staff	
Schedule for Child Study Meetings	



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## KEY STRATEGY 7

## Family Math Night

IMPLEMENTATION		When will this be in place?
What is our plan for implementing Key Strategy 4? What steps are involved?		
Schedule for family math night	<input type="checkbox"/> by EPM <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> by MYB	
Identify topics and research based strategies to be demonstrated	<input type="checkbox"/> by EPM <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> by MYB	
Implement math games to assist with math skills	<input type="checkbox"/> by EPM <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> by MYB	
Identify math websites that provide research based strategies to assist families with math needs	<input type="checkbox"/> by EPM <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> by MYB	
RESOURCES		
What resources (Schedule, Space, Money, Processes, Individuals) are necessary to support these strategies?		
Staff volunteers		
Space		
Schedule		

## KEY STRATEGY 8

## Family Literacy Night

IMPLEMENTATION		When will this be in place?
What is our plan for implementing Key Strategy 4? What steps are involved?		
Schedule for family literacy night	<input type="checkbox"/> by EPM <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> by MYB	
Identify topics and research-based strategies to be demonstrated	<input type="checkbox"/> by EPM <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> by MYB	
Implement literacy games to assist with literacy skills	<input type="checkbox"/> by EPM <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> by MYB	
Identify literacy websites that the district supports to assist families with literacy needs	<input type="checkbox"/> by EPM <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> by MYB	
RESOURCES		
What resources (Schedule, Space, Money, Processes, Individuals) are necessary to support these strategies?		
Staff volunteers		
Space		
Schedule		

## Progress Targets

### Early Progress Milestones

We believe we are on track with the implementation of our strategies if we reach the following Early Progress Milestones **six to ten weeks** into implementation: *Identify Quantitative Data or Qualitative Descriptors that can serve as signals that our implementation is on track and we should continue pursuing these strategies.*



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Key Strategy	What Early Progress Milestone data will we be reviewing?	What do we hope to see when we review that data? ( <i>consider Student Data, Adult/Schoolwide Behaviors and Practices, and Student Behaviors and Practices</i> )	What we ended up seeing ( <i>complete six to ten weeks into the school year</i> )
1	Academic Power Hour and Morning Program Attendance	At least 75% of the students who are eligible for these programs are in attendance	
2	Homework Help (use of station and morning program attendance)	All classrooms have a homework station set up At least 75% of the students eligible for morning program are in attendance	
3	Student safe space attendance	At least 75% of students asked to participate in lunch safe spaces will attend	
4	Staff to student mentoring volunteers	One classroom teacher on each grade will volunteer to be a mentor to a student One support staff from each area will volunteer to be a mentor to a student	
5	Fitness and wellness activities	At least one fitness and wellness activity per quarter	
6	MTSS meeting schedule and CST schedule	85% of teachers implementing MTSS with fidelity as evidenced by initial form and progress monitoring tool	
7	Family Math Night Attendance	At least 60% of our school parents and guardians attend family math night with their students	
8	Family Literacy Night Attendance	At least 75% of our school parents and guardians attend family literacy night with their students	

### Mid-Year Benchmarks and End-Of-The-Year Targets

We believe successful implementation of these strategies will allow us to reach the following mid-year benchmarks and end-of-the-year goals.

	What data will we be reviewing?	What do we hope to see when we review that data?	What we ended up seeing ( <i>complete when reviewing mid-year data</i> )



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<b>Mid-Year Benchmark(s)</b>	Attendance and participation in academic, social, and physical programs provided throughout the year	At least 70% of the school population participating in the academic, social, and physical programs provided	
<b>End-of-the Year Targets</b>	Staff, Student and Family Surveys	Student, staff, and families feel that they are integral and valued members of the school community where their academic, social, and emotional needs are addressed	

Spring Survey Targets

We believe these Spring survey responses will give us helpful feedback about our progress with this Commitment:

	<b>Survey Question(s) or Statement(s)</b>	<b>2023-24 data if available (e.g., % agree or strongly agree)</b>	<b>Desired response (e.g., % agree or strongly agree)</b>	<b>What we ended up seeing (complete once Spring survey results are available)</b>
<b>Student Survey</b>	I feel that the staff provides me with support and listens to me when I face challenges with my peers	62%	75%	
<b>Staff Survey</b>	I am equipped with the necessary supports and strategies to address the diverse learners in my classroom	NA	70%	
<b>Family Survey</b>	The staff at this school address the diverse social and emotional needs of the students.	NA	70%	



## COMMITMENT 2

### Our Commitment

#### What is one Commitment we will promote for 2024-25?

We are committed to building student agency by creating learning opportunities that promote critical thinking and social emotional well-being. Students will be challenged with rigorous work and learn how to navigate obstacles and access help and support both in and outside the classroom.

#### Why are we making this Commitment?

*Things to potentially take into consideration when crafting this response:*

- *How does this Commitment fit into what we envision for the school?*
- *How does this Commitment relate to what we heard when listening to others?*
- *How does this Commitment connect to what we observed through analysis?*

We believe that student agency is critical for engagement throughout the teaching and learning process. When students develop agency, they can navigate obstacles in their learning and learn how to access help and support. This will prepare students for higher education and social success.

When students develop agency it increases their engagement, motivation, and ability or potential to act, influence, or change their surroundings. Student agencies also help to educate students in making positive choices that benefit them.

According to the Student Interest Survey data, only half of the student body felt their opinions, feelings and thoughts were considered by the staff. Additionally, only 61% of students felt that they were a valued member of the school community.

We believe this commitment is crucial to pursue because student agency promotes student engagement, creativity, and inquiry while building positive relationships with their peers and staff. Creativity and inquiry are beneficial and encourage students to pose questions, make connections, and share experiences. This foundation increases their knowledge base of content material.

### Key Strategies

In column 1, input a **total** of one to four strategies that reflect something **new** the school is introducing or something currently in existence that the school is **expanding** or **refining** for the upcoming school year. In column 2, identify if the strategy is something new, something being expanded, or something being refined. In column 3, identify the data that indicates these strategies will be beneficial to our school. For any key strategy that is not something new, provide a 1-2 sentence summary of how the key strategy will be expanded or refined next year.



## Commitment 2

KEY STRATEGY	HOW TO DOES THIS COMPARE TO EXISTING EFFORTS?	<b>WHY:</b> What did we learn from our needs assessment that suggests this is the right Key Strategy?  <i>Consider both data trends observed and student interview responses.</i>  <i>For key strategy that does not represent something new, also provide 1-2 sentences on how the school will expand or refine the key strategy next year.</i>
Involve students in decision making process	<input type="checkbox"/> NEW <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>EXPAND</b> <input type="checkbox"/> REFINE	Students will be involved in their learning process where they are given voice and choices in their learning, problem solving and creating something using a defined skill set.
Incorporate SEL activities in the morning schoolwide	<input type="checkbox"/> NEW <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>EXPAND</b> <input type="checkbox"/> REFINE	Morning meetings, check ins with students, focus on positive behavior and goal setting.
Create a professional learning community	<input type="checkbox"/> NEW <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>EXPAND</b> <input type="checkbox"/> REFINE	A professional learning community will allow staff members to work collaboratively on rigorous lessons that provide students with equity and access, critical thinking, and reflection. We learned that scheduling PLC's due to staffing is a concern.
Students will develop strategies to explicitly model, teach problem-solving skills while learning how to reflect and plan for the next steps in their learning	<input type="checkbox"/> NEW <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>EXPAND</b> <input type="checkbox"/> REFINE	Students will work in small groups and in partnerships and demonstrate problem solving skills, overcome obstacles using student agency, and use reflection as way to assess their understanding of learning

## Implementation

KEY STRATEGY 1	Involve students in decision making process	
IMPLEMENTATION		When will this be in place?
What is our plan for implementing Key Strategy 1? What steps are involved?		
Students in grades 4-8 will complete a survey sharing their educational and social-emotional experiences at school.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> by EPM <input type="checkbox"/> by MYB	
Students in the Honor Society complete volunteer service hours within the school community helping the lower grades during small group instruction.	<input type="checkbox"/> by EPM <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> by MYB	
Students develop SMART goals for each marking period during a student teacher conference.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> by EPM <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> by MYB	
Student SMART goals are reviewed and revised during a student teacher conference.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> by EPM <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> by MYB	
Student Advisory Council meet and discuss feedback from the student survey.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> by EPM <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> by MYB	

RESOURCES
What resources (Schedule, Space, Money, Processes, Individuals) are necessary to support these strategies?
Schedule
Teachers



## Commitment 2

Honor Society Students & grades 1-2

<b>KEY STRATEGY 2</b> Incorporate SEL activities schoolwide	
<b>IMPLEMENTATION</b>	
What is our plan for implementing Key Strategy 2? What steps are involved?	When will this be in place?
Students in grades 4-8 will complete a survey sharing their educational experience.	<input type="checkbox"/> by EPM <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> by MYB
During morning announcements, student accomplishments and birthdays are announced to celebrate students.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> by EPM <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> by MYB
Mindfulness exercises such as deep breathing and movement to assist children in managing stress.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> by EPM <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> by MYB
Family Involvement Events such as Literacy night, Family Math Night, Dads and Donuts, Moms and Muffins, Parent Involvement Day and Family Cultural Celebration.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> by EPM <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> by MYB

<b>RESOURCES</b>	
What resources (Schedule, Space, Money, Processes, Individuals) are necessary to support these strategies?	
Schedule	
Processes	
Money	
Faculty	

<b>KEY STRATEGY 3</b> Create a professional learning community	
<b>IMPLEMENTATION</b>	
What is our plan for implementing Key Strategy 3? What steps are involved?	When will this be in place?
Faculty meets weekly with their grade level colleagues to discuss curriculum and student needs	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> by EPM <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> by MYB
Faculty meets monthly for Curriculum meetings after school.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> by EPM <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> by MYB
Teachers review data and plan accordingly for small group instruction.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> by EPM <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> by MYB

<b>RESOURCES</b>	
What resources (Schedule, Space, Money, Processes, Individuals) are necessary to support these strategies?	
Schedule	
Processes	
Teachers	

<b>KEY STRATEGY 4</b> Student – Teacher Conferences	
<b>IMPLEMENTATION</b>	
What is our plan for implementing Key Strategy 4? What steps are involved?	When will this be in place?
Teachers meet with students to develop SMART goals for each quarter's beginning and steps necessary to achieve them.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> by EPM <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> by MYB
Teachers meet with students to review their goals at the end of the quarter and evaluate if they were achieved.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> by EPM <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> by MYB
Teachers conference with students during the writing process.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> by EPM <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> by MYB



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### RESOURCES

What resources (Schedule, Space, Money, Processes, Individuals) are necessary to support these strategies?

Teachers

Schedule classroom conferences

Processes

### Progress Targets

#### Early Progress Milestones

We believe we are on track with the implementation of our strategies if we reach the following Early Progress Milestones **six to ten weeks** into implementation: *Identify Quantitative Data or Qualitative Descriptors that can serve as signals that our implementation is on track and we should continue pursuing these strategies.*

Key Strategy	What Early Progress Milestone data will we be reviewing?	What do we hope to see when we review that data? ( <i>consider Student Data, Adult/Schoolwide Behaviors and Practices, and Student Behaviors and Practices</i> )	What we ended up seeing ( <i>complete six to ten weeks into the school year</i> )
1 Involve students in decision making process	SMART goals	We hope to see students following the steps to achieve their SMART goals and make improvements in their benchmarks, writing, and report cards.	
2 Incorporate SEL activities schoolwide	Attendance for Family School Events	We hope to see less behavior management issues and well attended family centered activities. More than 70% of school families participate in school sponsored activities.	
3 Create a professional learning community	PLC agendas and data reviewed	We hope to see PLC's that evaluate curriculum and resources as they address student needs for whole group and small group instruction.	
4 Student – Teacher Conferences	Benchmark assessments, progress reports, and report cards	We expect to see at least a 10–15-point growth with each benchmark assessment. A 10% increase in Honor Roll recipients for grades 4-8.	



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### Mid-Year Benchmarks and End-Of-The-Year Targets

We believe successful implementation of these strategies will allow us to reach the following mid-year benchmarks and end-of-the-year goals.

	What data will we be reviewing?	What do we hope to see when we review that data?	What we ended up seeing (complete when reviewing mid-year data)
<b>Mid-Year Benchmark(s)</b>	Attendance and participation in academic, social, and physical programs provided throughout the year	We hope to see improvements of at least 10-15 points in student benchmarks as well as at least 70% of the families participating in school programs .	
<b>End-of-the Year Targets</b>	Student, staff and family surveys	Students feel that they are an integral member of the community who contribute to the school environment and climate that positively impacts students' academic achievement.	

### Spring Survey Targets

We believe these Spring survey responses will give us helpful feedback about our progress with this Commitment:

	Survey Question(s) or Statement(s)	2023-24 data if available (e.g., % agree or strongly agree)	Desired response (e.g., % agree or strongly agree)	What we ended up seeing (complete once Spring survey results are available)
<b>Student Survey</b>	I feel supported by the teachers and the staff when I am struggling with a particular subject.  I feel that the school values my opinion on changes I	54% of the students that participated in the survey agree with this statement.  38% agree and most of the time	<38% disagree with this statement.	



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	would like to see in my school.  The school offers opportunities to celebrate and recognize students' academic achievements.	agree with this statement.  48% of students agree their achievements are recognized.	<33% disagree with this statement.  <26% sometimes and never feel celebrated.	
<b>Staff Survey</b>	I am committed to growing my instructional practice by continuously seeking out professional development opportunities, staying up to date with current educational research and best practices, and implementing innovative teaching strategies in the classroom.	52% of the staff that completed the survey agreed with the statement.	<11% of the staff that completed the survey were neutral. No one disagreed with the statement.	
<b>Family Survey</b>	I feel that the staff at this school address the diverse learning needs of the students.	80% of the participating families agree & strongly agree with this statement.	<19% of the participating families disagree with this statement.	



## COMMITMENT 3

(this section can be deleted if there is no third Commitment)

### Our Commitment

<p><b>What is one Commitment we will promote for 2024-25?</b></p>	<p>We commit to strengthening our ability to provide a cohesive, rigorous, and diverse educational learning experience for all scholars.</p>
<p><b>Why are we making this Commitment?</b></p> <p><i>Things to potentially take into consideration when crafting this response:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>How does this Commitment fit into what we envision for the school?</i></li> <li>• <i>How does this Commitment relate to what we heard when listening to others?</i></li> <li>• <i>How does this Commitment connect to what we observed through analysis?</i></li> </ul>	<p>We believe our students need to learn from a diverse curriculum that is meaningful and engaging while offering collaborative opportunities. The curriculum must be rigorous, academically challenging, and cohesive; building on concepts taught from previous grades and allow students to feel connected interpersonally. Literacy skills will be taught through the balanced literacy approach which allows for the gradual release of responsibility for students. Instruction in the lower grades will emphasize the foundations of literacy, such as phonological awareness, phonics, high frequency words, fluency, and comprehension. Students across all grade levels will focus on the implicit instruction of vocabulary to build on understanding. The math curriculum will be built on spiraling fundamental skills, scaffolded through the years, allowing students to apply their knowledge to solve problems.</p> <p>41% of the students surveyed felt that their thoughts and opinions on matters related to school were not valued. Professional development needs to be provided to the staff to support them in listening to and empathizing with their students. 72% of the students felt that the staff supported them academically. Creating a curriculum that encourages independent learning and provides opportunities for voice and choice will give students greater ownership and allow them to be heard.</p> <p>The results of the 2023-2024 survey indicated that teachers and parents in the school community feel that meeting the diverse needs of students was a concern. On the teacher survey, only 41% of teachers agreed that they had the necessary supports and strategies to address the diverse learners in their classroom. Additionally, almost 20% of parents surveyed believed that the staff did not address the diverse learning needs of their child. We believe in creating a relevant and engaging curriculum that addresses the needs of our diverse learners, fosters critical thinking, and allows students to pursue their own studies autonomously.</p>



## Key Strategies

In column 1, input a **total** of one to four strategies that reflect something **new** the school is introducing or something currently in existence that the school is **expanding** or **refining** for the upcoming school year. In column 2, identify if the strategy is something new, something being expanded, or something being refined. In column 3, identify the data that indicates these strategies will be beneficial to our school. For any key strategy that is not something new, provide a 1-2 sentence summary of how the key strategy will be expanded or refined next year.

KEY STRATEGY	HOW TO DOES THIS COMPARE TO EXISTING EFFORTS?	<b>WHY:</b> What did we learn from our needs assessment that suggests this is the right Key Strategy?  <i>Consider both data trends observed and student interview responses.</i>  <i>For key strategy that does not represent something new, also provide 1-2 sentences on how the school will expand or refine the key strategy next year.</i>
Assess student abilities	<input type="checkbox"/> NEW <input type="checkbox"/> EXPAND <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> REFINE	We learned that we reached our academic goals in both ELA and Math in 2023-24. In refining this strategy, we are adding new programs to build upon developing skills.
Creating a professional learning community	<input type="checkbox"/> NEW <input type="checkbox"/> EXPAND <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> REFINE	We learned that scheduling and staffing issues impeded our ability to facilitate PLCs consistently. We need to refine the scheduling process for PLCs to ensure staff can meet regularly with their colleagues.
Co-design of Curriculum / Engagement	<input type="checkbox"/> NEW <input type="checkbox"/> EXPAND <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> REFINE	We learned that student reflection on units of study were not happening regularly. We also learned that we need to adjust the grade-level of students participating in this reflection. In refining this strategy, we will provide teachers with a template for a survey to engage their students in the learning process.
Instill positivity in students by celebrating their work.	<input type="checkbox"/> NEW <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> EXPAND <input type="checkbox"/> REFINE	We learned that the celebration of student work was happening, and the results were rewarding, but that it needs to happen on a larger scale and consistently throughout the year.

**For key strategy that does not represent something new, indicate below how the school will expand or refine the key strategy next year.**

See above.

## Implementation

**KEY STRATEGY 1**

Assess student abilities



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<b>IMPLEMENTATION</b> What is our plan for implementing Key Strategy 1? What steps are involved?		When will this be in place?
Administer ELA I-Ready and TRC (K-1) benchmark assessments; progress monitoring; Leveled Literacy Intervention most at-risk; DIG (Develop, Inspire, Grow) (Pre-K), Second Step Curriculum (Pre-K); CLI Engage (Pre-K), Waterford; <i>Foundations</i> (K-3), A-Z Learning (Raz Kids) (K-6); Literacy Roll-out Units of Study (Running Records); <i>McGraw-Hill</i> (Social Studies K-6); HMH (Social Studies 7-8); Discovery Education (Science K-6) Administer Math I-Ready assessment; progress monitoring; collecting and evaluating data to differentiate instruction.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> by EPM <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> by MYB	
Assessment of small group instruction through checklists, rubrics, standards, skills and strategies templates, and conferencing with students to effectively plan next instructional goals based on the data collected.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> by EPM <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> by MYB	
MTSS Team will identify students most at risk based on Progress Monitoring Tools, State exam results, iReady, common formative assessments (CFM's) end of unit summative assessment data, conduct meetings to identify gaps in students' performance alongside standards- address specific skills and strategies.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> by EPM <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> by MYB	
The Child Study Team (CST) will identify students most at risk and meet with teachers to discuss strategies and interventions in a 6–8-week time frame, three times, before evaluation is considered.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> by EPM <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> by MYB	
ELL's teacher will identify students' needs and proficiency levels based on the NYSESLAT and NYSITELL data; allocating number of meeting times according to proficiency levels, utilizing <i>Foundations</i> , Literacy Roll-out Units of Study (Running Records), Imagine Learning, SPIRE, I-Ready and Raz Kids programs for differentiated instruction.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> by EPM <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> by MYB	
Students will develop student agency by applying structures and checklists to help them navigate through difficult concepts and self-monitoring their work. Following the lesson, students will follow a routine that includes rereading, checklists, supplemental materials, and peer consultation among other strategies. Students will be presented with common checklists from grade-to-grade to ensure continuity.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> by EPM <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> by MYB	
<b>RESOURCES</b> What resources (Schedule, Space, Money, Processes, Individuals) are necessary to support these strategies?		
Schedule 1a: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Diagnostic Dates: September/October, January, May/June</li> <li>Progress Monitoring: November and March</li> </ul> Schedule 1b: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Tier 3: 4-5 times per week, Tier 2: 2-3 times per week, Tier 1: 1-2 times per week</li> </ul> Schedule 1c: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Initial Meetings: October</li> <li>Follow-up Meetings: 6-8 weeks after</li> </ul> Schedule 1d: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Initial Meetings: October</li> </ul>		



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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Follow-up Meetings: 6-8 weeks after</li> </ul>
Schedule 1e: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Diagnostic Dates: September/October, January, May/June</li> <li>Progress Monitoring: November and March</li> <li>Administer assessments on entry for incoming ELLs</li> </ul>
Schedule 1f: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Year-long</li> </ul>
Individuals 1a: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Pre-K – 8 students administered by classroom teachers and AIS teachers</li> </ul>
Individuals 1b: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Tier 3: classroom teachers, AIS, ELL, Special Education and Resource teachers</li> <li>Tier 2: classroom teachers, AIS teachers, ELLs, and Resource teachers</li> <li>Tier 1: classroom teachers</li> </ul>
Individuals 1c and 1d: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>At-risk Tier 2 and Tier 3 students</li> </ul>
Individuals 1e: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>ELL students prior to reaching commanding proficiency levels</li> </ul>
Individuals 1f: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>All students</li> </ul>

KEY STRATEGY 2 Creating a professional learning community	
IMPLEMENTATION	
What is our plan for implementing Key Strategy 2? What steps are involved?	When will this be in place?
PLCs will be scheduled twice per cycle to allow teachers to review data, plan, collaborate, view student work, and share best practices. Classroom teachers will have the opportunity to work with the reading specialists, ELL teachers, resource teachers and speech teachers to review student performance and data and set academic goals for students.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> by EPM <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> by MYB
Professional development opportunities will be provided to all staff members throughout the year to continue to hone their professional craft.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> by EPM <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> by MYB
RESOURCES	
What resources (Schedule, Space, Money, Processes, Individuals) are necessary to support these strategies?	
Schedule 2a: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>PLCs will be scheduled twice in a six-day cycle for each classroom teacher</li> <li>Vertical PLCs will be scheduled once per quarter</li> </ul>	
Schedule 2b: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Faculty and curriculum meetings are schedule once per month</li> <li>District provided year-long professional development scheduled for 3 days over the course of the year</li> </ul>	
Processes 2a: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Staff will be required to read and discuss current SCEP with their grade level</li> </ul>	
Space 2b:	



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- Meetings will be held in the gym, Media Center, or auditorium

KEY STRATEGY 3 Co-design of Curriculum / Engagement	
IMPLEMENTATION	
What is our plan for implementing Key Strategy 3? What steps are involved?	When will this be in place?
Students will have a voice in choosing content and reading materials. Students will reflect on the completion of units across the curriculum. Students in the upper grades will provide feedback on the engagement, relevancy, and pace of the unit to help guide instruction of future units.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> by EPM <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> by MYB
Students in the primary grades will have an opportunity to choose a topic of interest, with an assessment guided by the teacher.	<input type="checkbox"/> by EPM <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> by MYB
Students in the intermediate grades will have a chance to create their own independent project and self-assess their work on an established criteria created by the student and teacher.	<input type="checkbox"/> by EPM <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> by MYB
Students will be encouraged to use technology to present information in different ways. Students will be taught digital citizenship and asked to communicate, collaborate, create, and think critically using technology. Students will be given the choice to present information using different technological tools. Students will be exposed to coding, Virtual Field Trips, podcasting, and video creation, in addition to other digital media.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> by EPM <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> by MYB
RESOURCES	
What resources (Schedule, Space, Money, Processes, Individuals) are necessary to support these strategies?	
<p>Schedule 3a:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Upon completion of each unit</li> </ul> <p>Schedule 3b and 3c:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Once per year</li> </ul> <p>Schedule 3d:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Year-long</li> </ul> <p>Money 3d:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Replacement headphones/classroom sets</li> <li>• Additional device chargers and power strips for classroom use</li> </ul> <p>Processes 3a:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Template on Microsoft Forms</li> </ul> <p>Processes 3d:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Include Type-to-Learn program</li> </ul> <p>Individuals 3a:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• All students</li> </ul> <p>Individuals 3b:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Pre-K to 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade</li> </ul> <p>Individuals 3c:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 4<sup>th</sup> Grade to 8<sup>th</sup> Grade</li> </ul>	



### Commitment 3

Individuals 3d:

- All students

#### KEY STRATEGY 4

Instill positivity in students by celebrating their work.

#### IMPLEMENTATION

What is our plan for implementing Key Strategy 4? What steps are involved?

When will this be in place?

Students will be celebrated for the work they complete at the end of each unit. Student work will be displayed through celebration events throughout the school year. Students will be invited to share their work and view work accomplished by their peers across grade levels. Specific actionable feedback will be required of all participants.

☒ by EPM  
☒ by MYB

#### RESOURCES

What resources (Schedule, Space, Money, Processes, Individuals) are necessary to support these strategies?

Schedule 4a:

- End of applicable units

Space 4a:

- Media Center, Auditorium, Classroom, Gymnasium, Hallway

Money 4a:

- Refreshments for parents/students on occasion

Processes 4a:

- Scheduling events
- Communicating the time/date to parents and community
- Set up tables and chairs

Individuals 4a:

- Students, teachers, community members, custodial staff

## Progress Targets

### Early Progress Milestones

We believe we are on track with the implementation of our strategies if we reach the following Early Progress Milestones **six to ten weeks** into implementation: *Identify Quantitative Data or Qualitative Descriptors that can serve as signals that our implementation is on track and we should continue pursuing these strategies.*

Key Strategy	What Early Progress Milestone data will we be reviewing?	What do we hope to see when we review that data? (consider Student Data, Adult/Schoolwide Behaviors and Practices, and Student Behaviors and Practices)	What we ended up seeing (complete six to ten weeks into the school year)
Assess student abilities	Progress Monitoring	We expect to see growth of at least 5-10 points.	



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Creating a professional learning community	PLCs	We expect to see that PLCs are occurring regularly, allowing teachers to collaboratively plan with their colleagues. We also expect to see that vertical PLCs are built into the schedule.	
Co-design of Curriculum / Engagement	End of Unit Surveys	We expect to see positive results from the End of Unit Surveys (Microsoft Forms).	
Instill positivity in students by celebrating their work.	Celebrations	We expect to see celebrations occurring across all grade levels at the end of select units.	

### Mid-Year Benchmarks and End-Of-The-Year Targets

We believe successful implementation of these strategies will allow us to reach the following mid-year benchmarks and end-of-the-year goals.

	What data will we be reviewing?	What do we hope to see when we review that data?	What we ended up seeing (complete when reviewing mid-year data)
<b>Mid-Year Benchmark(s)</b>	iReady ELA iReady Math	10% increase from last year's results.	
<b>End-of-the Year Targets</b>	iReady ELA iReady Math NYSESLAT Imagine Learning	20% increase from last year's result.	

### Spring Survey Targets

We believe these Spring survey responses will give us helpful feedback about our progress with this Commitment:

	Survey Question(s) or Statement(s)	2023-24 data if available (e.g., % agree or strongly agree)	Desired response (e.g., % agree or strongly agree)	What we ended up seeing (complete once Spring survey results are available)
<b>Student Survey</b>	I feel supported by the teachers and the staff when I am	28% disagree with this statement.	<10% disagree with this statement	



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	struggling with a particular subject.			
<b>Staff Survey</b>	I am equipped with the necessary supports and strategies to address the diverse learners in my classroom.	59% disagree with this statement.	<40% disagree with this statement.	
<b>Family Survey</b>	I feel that the staff at this school addresses the diverse learning needs of the students.	19% disagree with this statement.	<10% disagree with this statement.	



## COMMITMENT 4

(this section can be deleted if there is no fourth Commitment)

### Our Commitment

<b>What is one Commitment we will promote for 2024-25?</b>	Continue to promote family engagement and participation in schoolwide and grade level events
<b>Why are we making this Commitment?</b> <i>Things to potentially take into consideration when crafting this response:</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>How does this Commitment fit into what we envision for the school?</li> <li>How does this Commitment relate to what we heard when listening to others?</li> <li>How does this Commitment connect to what we observed through analysis?</li> </ul>	<p>Parents continue to express interest in participating in school-related activities. This was evident in past surveys.</p> <p>This fits with our school vision because our parents are an integral part of our school community and contribute to and support the overall success of their child (ren).</p> <p>This commitment is important to us because building relationships with parents builds the home school connection. As result, it builds trust with families who entrust their children in our care. This foundation is essential to a child's social and emotional well-being and academic success.</p> <p>This commitment is also important because the voices of our families and students are important to the overall success of our school.</p>

### Key Strategies

In column 1, input a **total** of one to four strategies that reflect something **new** the school is introducing or something currently in existence that the school is **expanding** or **refining** for the upcoming school year. In column 2, identify if the strategy is something new, something being expanded, or something being refined. In column 3, identify the data that indicates these strategies will be beneficial to our school. For any key strategy that is not something new, provide a 1-2 sentence summary of how the key strategy will be expanded or refined next year.

KEY STRATEGY	HOW TO DOES THIS COMPARE TO EXISTING EFFORTS?	<b>WHY:</b> What did we learn from our needs assessment that suggests this is the right Key Strategy? <i>Consider both data trends observed and student interview responses.</i> <i>For key strategy that does not represent something new, also provide 1-2 sentences on how the school will expand or refine the key strategy next year.</i>
Grade level Writing Celebrations	<input type="checkbox"/> NEW <input type="checkbox"/> EXPAND <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> X REFINE	At the end of a writing unit parents will be invited to attend a writing Parents will have the opportunity to provide feedback to student writers



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<b>Parent Literacy Workshops</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> NEW <input type="checkbox"/> EXPAND <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> REFINE	Parents will be invited to attend a literacy workshop where they will read alongside their child (ren) and learn various strategies for interacting with a text.
<b>Family Math Night</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> NEW <input type="checkbox"/> EXPAND <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> REFINE	Parents will engage in math activities with their children using problem-solving strategies and critical thinking.
<b>Principal Grade Level Chats</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> NEW <input type="checkbox"/> EXPAND <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> REFINE	Chats focused on grade level instruction and goal setting
<b>Family Cultural Celebration</b>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NEW <input type="checkbox"/> EXPAND <input type="checkbox"/> REFINE	Families come with a cultural dish to share amongst the school community.
<b>Monthly Calendar of Events</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> NEW <input type="checkbox"/> EXPAND <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> REFINE	Every month a calendar of events will be posted on Schoology.
<b>Walk Your Child to School</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> NEW <input type="checkbox"/> EXPAND <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> REFINE	Dads or dad-like figures walk their child to school.
<b>Moms and Muffins Dads and Donuts</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> NEW <input type="checkbox"/> EXPAND <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> REFINE	Family members come in the morning to enjoy a breakfast treat with their child.
<b>Book Fair</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> NEW <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> EXPAND <input type="checkbox"/> REFINE	Scholastic books are sold, and families are encouraged to purchase books.
<b>Honor Roll Breakfast</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> NEW <input type="checkbox"/> EXPAND <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> REFINE	Students are celebrated with breakfast for their scholastic achievements.
<b>Parent Involvement Day</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> NEW <input type="checkbox"/> EXPAND <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> REFINE	Parents visit their child's classroom and participate in workshops. Breakfast and lunch are provided as well.

## Implementation

KEY STRATEGY 1      Grade level Writing Celebrations	
IMPLEMENTATION	
What is our plan for implementing Key Strategy 1? What steps are involved?	When will this be in place?
Teachers will work together and with the building administration to coordinate dates for grade level Writing Celebrations	<input type="checkbox"/> by EPM <input type="checkbox"/> by MYB
Teachers will work on writing lessons using the writing units of study with grade level colleagues.	<input type="checkbox"/> by EPM <input type="checkbox"/> by MYB
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	<input type="checkbox"/> by EPM <input type="checkbox"/> by MYB



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<b>RESOURCES</b>
What resources (Schedule, Space, Money, Processes, Individuals) are necessary to support these strategies?
Teachers, parents, and students
Media Center

<b>KEY STRATEGY 2</b>	<b>Parent Literacy Workshops</b>
<b>IMPLEMENTATION</b>	
What is our plan for implementing Key Strategy 2? What steps are involved?	
Teachers will plan literacy workshops for parents of students in grades K-6	When will this be in place? <input type="checkbox"/> by EPM <input type="checkbox"/> by MYB
Teachers will create literacy centers for Parent Literacy Night. Parents will learn various comprehension strategies to support their child with reading and writing.	<input type="checkbox"/> by EPM <input type="checkbox"/> by MYB
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<b>RESOURCES</b>	
What resources (Schedule, Space, Money, Processes, Individuals) are necessary to support these strategies?	
Teachers, parents, students	
Media center	

<b>KEY STRATEGY 3</b>	<b>Family Math Night</b>
<b>IMPLEMENTATION</b>	
What is our plan for implementing Key Strategy 3? What steps are involved?	
The Parent Liaison will work with classroom teachers to design a Family Math Night.	When will this be in place? <input type="checkbox"/> by EPM <input type="checkbox"/> by MYB
The Parent Liaison will contact parents to extend an invitation to Family Math Night.	<input type="checkbox"/> by EPM <input type="checkbox"/> by MYB
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<b>RESOURCES</b>	
What resources (Schedule, Space, Money, Processes, Individuals) are necessary to support these strategies?	
Parents, Teachers, and Students	
Math manipulatives, math games, chart paper	
Media Center or cafeteria	
money	

<b>KEY STRATEGY 4</b>	<b>Principal Grade Level Chats</b>
<b>IMPLEMENTATION</b>	
What is our plan for implementing Key Strategy 4? What steps are involved?	
Contacting Parents to invite them to grade level chats.	When will this be in place? <input type="checkbox"/> by EPM



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	<input type="checkbox"/> by MYB
Have a clear focus for principal chats that communicate grade level goals.	<input type="checkbox"/> by EPM
	<input type="checkbox"/> by MYB
Communicate to parents how they can help support the grade level goals at home.	<input type="checkbox"/> by EPM
	<input type="checkbox"/> by MYB
	<input type="checkbox"/> by EPM
	<input type="checkbox"/> by MYB
	<input type="checkbox"/> by EPM
	<input type="checkbox"/> by MYB

### RESOURCES

What resources (Schedule, Space, Money, Processes, Individuals) are necessary to support these strategies?

Parents, Principal, Grade level data, office space

### KEY STRATEGY 5      Family Cultural Celebrations

#### IMPLEMENTATION

What is our plan for implementing Key Strategy 2? What steps are involved?

When will this be in place?

The ENL teacher will lead this initiative to invite parents to a cultural celebration.

by EPM  
by MYB

The ENL teacher will work with teachers and teaching assistants to coordinate this event.

by EPM  
by MYB

Send invitation to parents

by EPM  
by MYB

by EPM  
by MYB

by EPM  
by MYB

### RESOURCES

What resources (Schedule, Space, Money, Processes, Individuals) are necessary to support these strategies?

Parents, students, faculty, staff, music, and food  
gymnasium

### KEY STRATEGY 6      Monthly Calendar of Events

#### IMPLEMENTATION

What is our plan for implementing Key Strategy 1? What steps are involved?

When will this be in place?

The guidance counselor along with the student government will calendar school wide monthly events to build school community

by EPM  
by MYB

by EPM  
by MYB

by EPM  
by MYB

by EPM  
by MYB

by EPM  
by MYB

**Resources:**



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Students, Staff, Parents, space and money	
<b>KEY STRATEGY 7</b>	<b>Walk Your Child to School</b>
<b>IMPLEMENTATION</b>	When will this be in place?
What is our plan for implementing Key Strategy 1? What steps are involved?	
Notices will be sent home for Dads and Dad figures to walk their child to school	by EPM by <u>MYB</u>
The Leadership Team will work with the PTA to organize this event and welcome Dads and Dad Figures	by EPM by <u>MYB</u>
	by EPM by MYB
	by EPM by MYB
	by EPM by MYB
Resources:	
Parents, staff, students, space, and refreshments	
<b>KEY STRATEGY 8</b>	<b>Moms and Muffins Dads and Donuts</b>
<b>IMPLEMENTATION</b>	When will this be in place?
What is our plan for implementing Key Strategy 1? What steps are involved?	
The Leadership Team along with the student government will work with the PTA to celebrate Moms and Dads. Moms and Dads will be celebrated for Mother's Day and Father's Day respectively.	by EPM by <u>MYB</u>
	by EPM by <u>MYB</u>
	by EPM by MYB
	by EPM by MYB
Resources: Staff, students, parents, refreshments, space	
<b>KEY STRATEGY 9</b>	<b>Book Fair</b>
<b>IMPLEMENTATION</b>	When will this be in place?
What is our plan for implementing Key Strategy 1? What steps are involved?	
The PTA will work with building administration to coordinate calendar dates for a Book Fair. The Book Fair will allow parents to come and visit the school and do book reads in the primary classes.	by EPM by <u>MYB</u>
	by EPM by <u>MYB</u>
	by EPM by MYB
	by EPM by MYB
<b>Resources:</b>	
Staff, administration, students, books and supplies, space, and refreshments	
<b>KEY STRATEGY 10</b>	<b>Honor Roll Breakfast</b>
<b>IMPLEMENTATION</b>	When will this be in place?
What is our plan for implementing Key Strategy 1? What steps are involved?	



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Parents and Honor Roll students will be invited to a culminating Honor Roll Breakfast.	by EPM by <u>MYB</u>
Administration will work with the PTA to coordinate this event.	by EPM by <u>MYB</u>
	by EPM by MYB
	by EPM by MYB
	by EPM by MYB
<b>KEY STRATEGY 11</b>	Parent Involvement Day
<b>IMPLEMENTATION</b>	
What is our plan for implementing Key Strategy 4? What steps are involved?	When will this be in place?
The Parent Involvement Day (PID) Committee will work together to organize this event	by EPM by <u>MYB</u>
The PID Committee will extend an outreach to the community to invite them to present during PID	by EPM by <u>MYB</u>
The PID will also work with the PTA to organize and coordinate this event.	by EPM by <b>MYB</b>
The PID Committee will create a schedule for the day to be shared with all staff members.	by EPM by <u>MYB</u>
A survey will be conducted to measure the effectiveness and success of the presentations.	by EPM by <u>MYB</u>
<b>RESOURCES</b>	
What resources (Schedule, Space, Money, Processes, Individuals) are necessary to support these strategies?	
Parents, administration, staff, community members, refreshments, space, and money	

## Progress Targets

### Early Progress Milestones

We believe we are on track with the implementation of our strategies if we reach the following Early Progress Milestones **six to ten weeks** into implementation: *Identify*



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Quantitative Data or Qualitative Descriptors that can serve as signals that our implementation is on track and we should continue pursuing these strategies.

Key Strategy	What Early Progress Milestone data will we be reviewing?	What do we hope to see when we review that data? (consider Student Data, Adult/Schoolwide Behaviors and Practices, and Student Behaviors and Practices)	What we ended up seeing (complete six to ten weeks into the school year)

### Mid-Year Benchmarks and End-Of-The-Year Targets

We believe successful implementation of these strategies will allow us to reach the following mid-year benchmarks and end-of-the-year goals.

	What data will we be reviewing?	What do we hope to see when we review that data?	What we ended up seeing (complete when reviewing mid-year data)
Mid-Year Benchmark(s)			
End-of-the Year Targets			

### Spring Survey Targets

We believe these Spring survey responses will give us helpful feedback about our progress with this Commitment:

	Survey Question(s) or Statement(s)	2023-24 data if available (e.g., % agree or strongly agree)	Desired response (e.g., % agree or strongly agree)	What we ended up seeing (complete once Spring survey results are available)
Student Survey				
Staff Survey				
Family Survey				



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## Civic Empowerment Project (schools in CSI only)

### Background

As part of the New York State Every Student Succeeds Act Plan (ESSA) and Commissioner's Regulation 100.21, all schools identified for Comprehensive Support and Improvement (CSI) Support Model are required to annually implement a Participatory Budgeting Process or provide opportunities for parent and student engagement in a manner prescribed by the Commissioner.

### Options for Schools

The Department has outlined six ways in which schools may address the requirement for schools in the CSI Support Model to implement Participatory Budgeting or an Approved Alternative:

1. Participatory Budgeting
2. Monthly School Focus Groups
3. Climate Survey Inquiry Team
4. Schoolwide Voting
5. Collaborative School Improvement Grant Development
6. Design Your Own

These options were identified because they build on essential components of Participatory Budgeting: ***expanding stakeholder voice, providing opportunities to practice democracy, and promoting civic engagement.***

The available options are described in more detail in the guidebooks available on the NYSED [Civic Empowerment Projects](#) website. Schools should consider how to incorporate their selection into their existing commitments.

### Directions (Schools in CSI only)

Place an "X" in the box next to the Civic Empowerment Project the SCEP Development Team has selected for the 2024-25 school year.

- ☐ Participatory Budgeting
- ☐ Monthly School Focus Groups
- ☐ Climate Survey Inquiry Team
- ☐ Schoolwide Voting
- ☐ Collaborative School Improvement Grant Development
- ☐ Design Your Own (proposals should be sent to [FieldSupport@nysed.gov](mailto:FieldSupport@nysed.gov))



## Our Team's Process

### Background

NYSED requires that the SCEP is developed in consultation with parents and school staff, and in accordance with §100.11 of Commissioner's Regulations. All schools are expected to follow the guidelines outlined in the document "Assembling Your Improvement Planning Team" found at:

<https://www.nysed.gov/sites/default/files/programs/accountability/assembling-your-improvement-planning-team.pdf>. This section outlines how we worked together to develop our plan.

### Our Team's Steps

Our plan is the result of collaborating to complete several distinct steps:

1. **Envision:** Exploring the Vision, Values and Aspirations for the school (optional for schools in CSI)
2. **Analyze:** Analyzing Data
3. **Analyze:** Analyzing Survey Data
4. **Listen:** Interviewing Students
5. **Envision:** Reflect, Synthesize, and Plan
6. **Writing the Plan**

### Team Collaboration

In the first two columns, identify the members of the SCEP team and their role (e.g., teacher, assistant principal, parent). In the rest of columns, indicate that team member's participation in each of the activities by identifying the date that person participated in that activity OR leaving the space blank if the person did not participate in that activity.

Name	Role	Orientation to School Teams (required for new TSI)	Envision: Exploring the Vision, Values and Aspirations	Analyze: Internal and External Data	Analyze: Survey Data	Listen: Student Interviews	Envision: Reflect, Synthesize and Plan	Plan Writing and Revision
<i>Example: Mary James</i>	<i>ELL Teacher</i>	<i>3/5</i>	<i>3/12</i>	<i>3/19</i>		<i>4/10, 4/11</i>	<i>4/17</i>	<i>5/2 5/9 5/16</i>
Carol Quinones-Dixon	Principal							
Alexandra Jean	Reading Specialist							
Claudia Carmona	ENL							
Sparkle Richardson	Social Worker							
Megan Carlisto	Special Education							
Reno Benitez	Teaching Assistant							
Stephanie Martino	School Counselor							



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Shane Davanzo	General Education							
Denada Golemi	Parent							
Genesis Bowden	Student							



## Learning As A Team

### Directions

After completing the previous sections, the team should complete the reflective prompt below.

#### Student Interviews

**Describe how the Student Interview process informed the team's plan**

- Some students shared that their diverse needs weren't addressed. Student feedback will be encouraged after each unit and more student-choice opportunities will be presented. Giving students opportunities to present their information using digital media will address some of the needs of diverse styles of learning.
- Not all students agreed that their work was being celebrated. Students' voices will be heard during their celebrations and will occur more frequently.
- Only half of the students felt they were supported instructionally. Staff will use check-ins, conferences, and goal-setting to close the instructional gap.
- Less than half felt their opinions were valued. The Student Advisory Council will follow up to get more specific information from the students.
- Half of the students felt that they are not comfortable speaking to staff about their social and emotional needs
- More than half of the students felt that their opinions are not valued when it comes to changes in the school building

Schools in the ATSI and TSI model only

#### Subgroup Spotlight

**Describe how the team has determined that the strategies in this plan are likely to result in improved subgroup performance for the subgroup(s) for which the school has been identified.**



## Next Steps

### Sharing the Plan

#### Schools in the CSI Model

As you develop your plan, please feel free to share the plan with your NYSED liaison for input when it would be helpful. When the SCEP team is satisfied with the plan, **please compare the completed plan to the [SCEP Rubric](#) to consider where there may be opportunities to strengthen the plan.** After the team has analyzed the completed plan in relation to the [SCEP Rubric](#) and made any necessary revisions, the principal should email the NYSED liaison and:

1. Confirm that the team has reviewed the plan against the SCEP rubric, ensured the plan met [minimum expectations](#), and made any necessary changes;
2. Identify the areas of the plan about which the team is most confident;
3. If applicable, identify if there are any specific areas of the plan about which the team is less confident. The principal is also able to request a follow-up meeting to further explore these areas prior to [Pre-SCEP Team Meeting Planning Session 5](#) indicate to your liaison that the school is ready to share its full plan for approval. Plans should be shared by **July 15, 2024**.
4. Once your plan is finalized, ensure that the District (Superintendent or designee) and local Board of Education have approved the plan and that the plan is posted on the district website.

#### Schools in the ATSI model and TSI Model

When the SCEP team is satisfied with the plan, **please compare the completed plan to the [SCEP Rubric](#) to consider where there may be opportunities to strengthen the plan.** After the team has analyzed the completed plan in relation to the SCEP rubric and made any necessary revisions, please share the plan with your District, who will verify that the plan meets [NYSED's minimum expectations](#). Plans will need to be approved by the District before the first day of the 2024-25 school year.

Once the plan has been finalized, ensure that the District (Superintendent or designee) and the local Board of Education have approved the plan and that the plan is posted on the district website.

### Implementing the Plan (All Schools)

1. Ensure that the plan is implemented no later than the first day of school.
2. Monitor implementation closely and adjust as needed.
3. Plan to have the SCEP team reconvene during the year to discuss implementation and review progress in relation to the Early Progress Milestones and Mid-Year benchmarks identified.
4. Ensure that there is professional development provided to support the strategic efforts described within this plan.
5. Work with the district in developing the 1003 Title I School Improvement Grant application designed to support the implementation of the activities identified in the school and district plan.