

# Strategic Planning Meeting 2

October 15, 2024



for the  
**MORRIS  
SCHOOL  
DISTRICT**

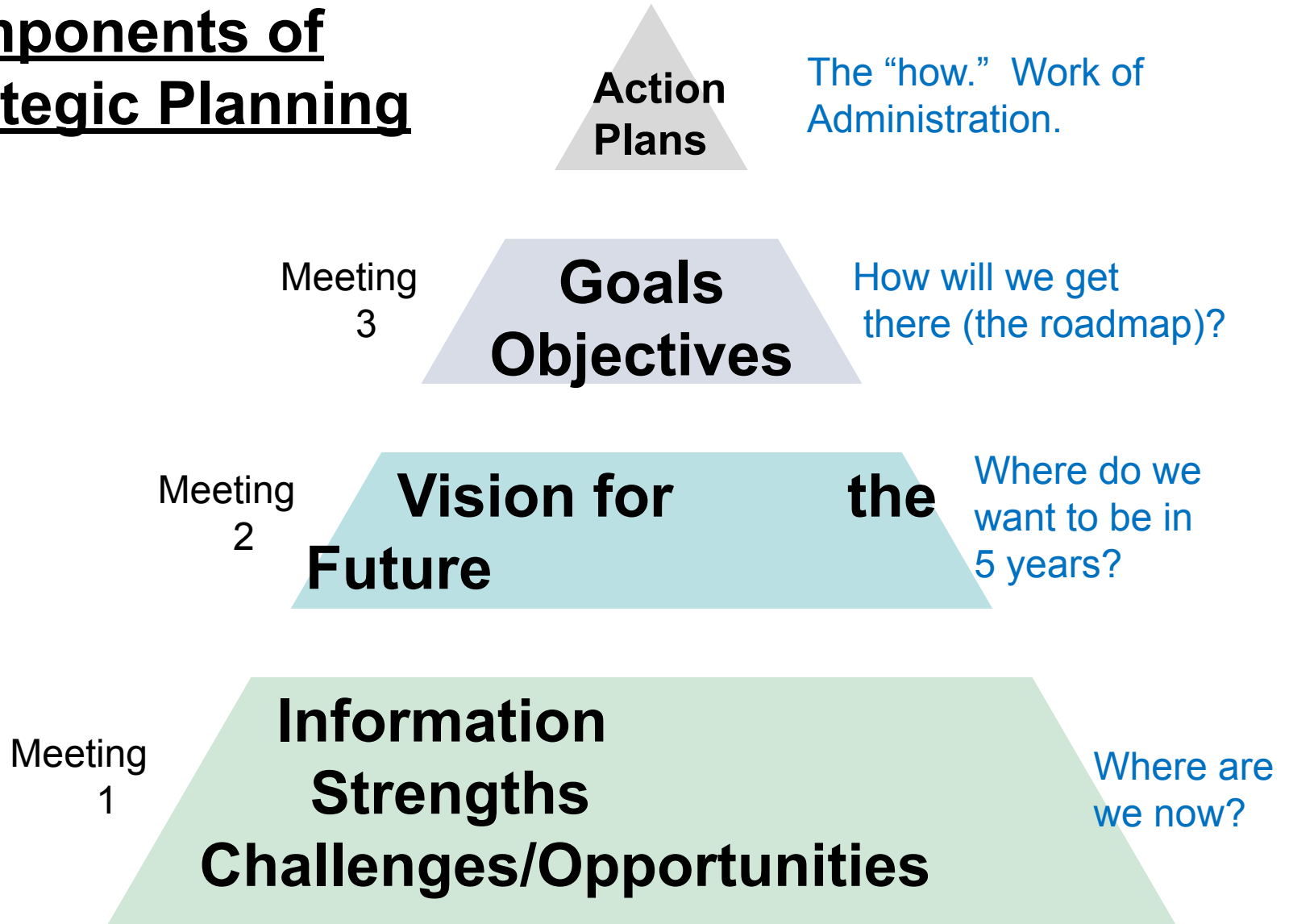


# What is Strategic Planning

Strategic Planning is a districtwide roadmap developed with input from the school community to advance student achievement through focused multi-year goals and actions.



# Components of Strategic Planning



# Mission Statement

*It is the mission of the Morris School District to empower each student to ascend academically, socially, and emotionally by providing equal access to continuous opportunities for achieving academic excellence, developing meaningful relationships, and becoming future ready.*



# Visioning Exercise

Imagine  
we are  
moving  
forward in  
time to the  
year

**2030.**



## Visioning Exercise

**Congratulations!**

Way to go Morris School  
District

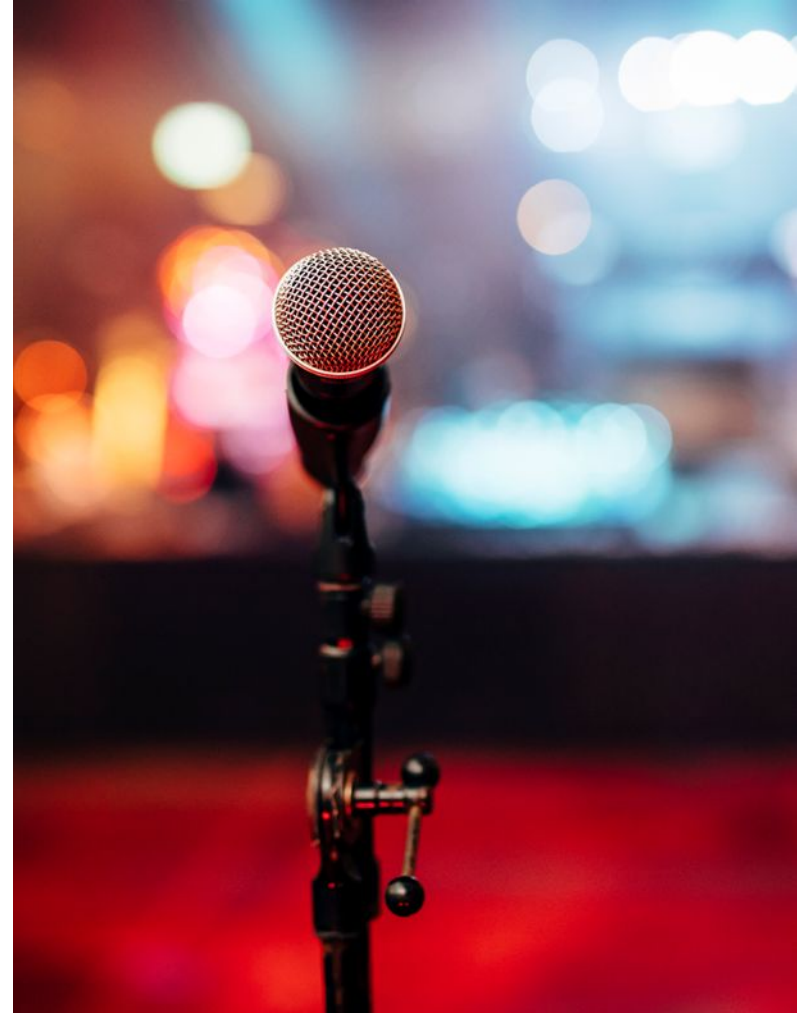
You are the model district  
in NJ for advancing student  
achievement.

There is a special awards  
ceremony in your honor.



# Visioning Exercise

- All the top educators in the state are at the awards ceremony.
- You are the guest speaker sharing the district's story.



# 21<sup>st</sup> Century Skills

Before we begin our speech, let's consider what your students should be able to do and know for future success.





# 21<sup>st</sup> Century Skills

## 4 Cs

- **Critical thinking**
- **Communication**
- **Collaboration**
- **Creativity**



## Life and Career Skills

- **Flexibility, adaptability**
- **Initiative, self-direction**
- **Social and cross-cultural skills**
- **Productivity, accountability**
- **Leadership, responsibility**

## 21<sup>st</sup> Century Themes

- **Global awareness**
- **Financial Literacy**
- **Civic Literacy**
- **Health Literacy**
- **Environmental Literacy**
- **Learning and Innovation Skills**

Source: Batelle for Kids



# Preparing Our Students for the Future



<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=i6ZfXmSBikY>

# Visioning Exercise

We are in the year 2030.

What will you say in your speech is taking place in the Morris School District?

Envision:  
what **success looks like**.  
what is **different** from 2024.

No restrictions!

**Dream  
Big!**





# Visioning Exercise

## Tonight's Task:

1. Give your speech a **title**
2. Brainstorm up to **10 key highlights** contributing to MSD's success in 2030.

# Visioning Exercise Example

**Title: Educate and Empower Everyone to Excel**

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## Speech highlights:

1. Increased student options
2. Service learning starting in younger grades
3. Space to support flexible learning needs
4. Interdisciplinary projects
5. School is community hub
6. etc.



**Introduce yourself**

**Allow everyone to contribute**



**Focus on the big picture**

**Come to a consensus**



# Small Group Work

# Logistics



**A volunteer is needed to record your group's work on the post-it sheet.**



**Spend 50 minutes in small group. Will go back into large group to report out.**



**Select someone to report out your group's work to the large group.**