Achievement and Integration Plan

July 1, 2023 to June 30, 2026

Submissions due by March 15th, 2023

District ISD# and Name: **#750 ROCORI PUBLIC SCHOOLS**
District Integration Status: A
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Racially Identifiable Schools within District

If you have been notified by the Minnesota Department of Education (MDE) that your district has a racially identifiable school, please list each of those schools below. Add additional lines as needed.

1. Type name of RIS here.
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Plans for racially identifiable schools should include the same information and follow the same format as districtwide plans. Provide that information in the Racially Identifiable School section of this document.

Partnering Districts Racially isolated districts must partner with adjoining districts on student integration strategies (Minn. R. 3535.0170). List the districts you will partner with, adding additional lines as needed. Provide the name of your integration collaborative if you have one: MDCC

1. RI #742 St. Cloud Public Schools
2. A #739 Kimball Public Schools
3. A #47 Sauk Rapids-Rice Public Schools
4. A #876 Annandale Public Schools

5. A #726 Becker Public Schools
6. A #51 Foley Public Schools
7. A #738 Holdingford Public Schools
8. A #750 ROCORI Public Schools

School Board Approval

X We certify that we have approved this Achievement and Integration plan and will implement it as part of our district's World's Best Workforce plan (Minn. Stat. § 124D.861, subd. 4).

X We certify that we sought and received input on integration goals and strategies from councils as described on page 2. The council(s) included representation and meaningful input from our American Indian Parent Advisory Committee as required by Minnesota Rules 3535.0160, subpart 2, and Minnesota Rules 3535.0170, subparts 2-5.

Superintendent: John Thein
Signature: Date Signed: February 28, 2023

School Board Chair: Jennifer Bohnsack
Signature: Date Signed: February 28, 2023

Plan Input

Minnesota School Desegregation/Integration Rule, part 3535.0170, subpart 2, requires racially isolated and adjoining districts to establish a multidistrict collaboration council to provide input on integration goals and to identify cross-district strategies to improve student integration.

Districts with racially identifiable schools are required to convene a community collaboration council to assist in developing integration goals and to identify ways of creating increased opportunities for integration at the racially identifiable schools (Minn. R. 3535.0160, subp. 2).

- MDCC members meet monthly throughout the year to collaborate on plans. Leading into the writing of each plan, MDCC members share goals, collaborate on inter-district opportunities, and support with goals/measurement of each goal.

American Indian Parent Advisory Committee Districts with an American Indian parent advisory committee must include representation from this committee on the councils described above (Minn. R. 3535.0160, subp. 2, and 3535.0170, subp. 3).

For stakeholder input to be meaningful it should be based on open communication and coordination that acknowledges and considers the views of all participants. For steps to ensure that input from your council is meaningful, see the Facilitation Guide in the Achievement and Integration Plan Guide, and see the Tribal Consultation Guidance.

AIPAC Member Signature (if applicable): _____Date Signed: Enter date here

Below, list your council members and identify American Indian parent committee members. Briefly describe council members' recommendations for your district-wide plan and for your racially identifiable school plans, as applicable. You may also include meeting dates and describe the process you used to ensure meaningful input from council members.

Multidistrict Collaboration Council: Enter names of Multidistrict Collaboration Council Members here.
Community Collaboration Council for Racially Identifiable School(s): Enter names of Community Collaboration Council Members for RIS here.

Submitting this Plan

Submit your completed plan as a Word document to MDE for review and approval **no later than March 15, 2023** (Minn. Stat. § 124D.861, subd. 4). Once it's signed, scan the signature page and save it as a separate PDF. Email your plan and signature page to MDE.integration@state.mn.us.

Detailed directions and support for completing this plan can be found in the Achievement and Integration Plan Guide.

Achievement and Integration Goals

This plan must contain three types of goals, at least one for each of the following:

1. Reducing the disparities in academic achievement among all students and specific categories of students excluding the categories of gender, disability, and English learners.
2. Reducing the disparities in equitable access to effective and more diverse teachers among all students and specific categories of students excluding the categories of gender, disability, and English learners.
3. Increasing racial and economic integration (Minn. Stat. § 124D.861, subd. 2 (a)).

Goal #1: 75% of students in grades 2-8 receiving free or reduced priced meals will demonstrate average to high growth on the aReading test as measured from fall to spring.
Baseline: 2022-23 – 50.9% showed Aggressive to Typical Growth
Target: 75% of F/R meals will show high growth on aReading in grades 2-8 each year of the plan.

- **Aligns with WBWF area**: All racial and economic achievement gaps between students are closed

Goal type: Achievement Disparity

Goal #2: The four year graduation rate for Hispanic or Latino students will increase from 61.1% in 2022% to 77% in 2025.
Baseline: 2021-22 – 61% graduated
Target: 77% of Hispanic or Latino students will graduate in 2025

- **Aligns with WBWF area**: All students graduate from high school

Goal type: Teacher Equity, Achievement Disparity

Goal #3: The number of students enrolled in ROCORI Public Schools involved in cross-district multicultural learning opportunities will increase by 10% each year 2023-2026.
*Baseline will be established in year 1 of this plan

- **Aligns with WBWF area**: All racial and economic achievement gaps between students are closed.

Goal type: Integration

To add goals, copy the goal section directly above and paste them below the strategies and KIPs supporting Goal #1.

Strategies

Each goal should have at least one strategy. Number each strategy sequentially and give it a unique name. For each strategy, provide a narrative description as explained below.

Districts may use Achievement and Integration revenue to pursue racial and economic integration and reduce achievement disparities between student groups through the types of strategies listed in the *Type of Strategy* section below (Minn. Stat. § 124D.861, subd. 2).

Integration Requirement At least one of your strategies must be a student integration activity designed and implemented to bring together students from a racially isolated district with students from that district's adjoining Achievement and Integration districts (Minn. R. 3535.0170).

Copy and paste the strategy section below for each additional strategy.

NOTE: If a strategy is intentionally developed to support multiple goals, list its unique name and number and provide the narrative description for that strategy under one goal. Include that strategy's unique number and name under the other goals it supports. You do not have to copy the narrative description for that strategy under multiple goals.

Strategy Name and #1. Mentoring K-12 and Family Engagement through Cultural Liaisons

- **Type of Strategy:** Family engagement initiatives to increase student achievement.

Integrated Learning Environments (Minn. Stat. § 124D.861, subd. 1 (c)). If you chose *Innovative and integrated pre-K through grade 12 learning environments* as the strategy type above, your narrative description should describe how the different aspects of integrated learning environments listed below are part of that strategy:

☐ Uses policies, curriculum, or trained instructors and other advocates to support magnet schools, differentiated instruction, or targeted interventions.
☐ Provides school enrollment choices.
☐ Increases cultural fluency, competency, and interaction.
☐ Increases graduation rates.
☐ Increases access to effective and diverse teachers.

Narrative description of this strategy. Based on your description below someone reading your plan should understand what you are proposing to do, why you are doing it, and be able to recognize it if they see it. For example, explain what this activity will look like, what will be taught, which students will participate, how students are selected, intended outcomes for students, what will be assessed, how instruction will be delivered, and where will this take place.

Cultural liaisons will provide instructional and family engagement support to ROCORI students. ROCORI employs 3 Spanish speaking Cultural Liaisons and 1 Somali speaking Cultural Liaison. Liaisons work directly with students and families to support academic success. Liaisons provide interpreting, translating, home visits, and mentoring.

Location of services: Central Minnesota

Key Indicators

These indicators are the evidence you will use to document how well each strategy is being implemented and whether or not they are helping bring about the intended outcomes for students. Use these indicators to assess the effectiveness of your strategies and to adjust what you're doing.

For strategies that provide school enrollment choices, such as magnet schools, and strategies that decrease racial and economic enrollment disparities, include at least one indicator that measures enrollment disaggregated by race/ethnicity and free or reduced-priced lunch (FRPL). Disaggregating your data may be relevant for other types of strategies such as those designed to increase access to effective and diverse teachers.

Key Indicators of Progress (KIP)

List key indicators of progress for this strategy and annual targets for each indicator. Choose indicators that will help you know if the strategy is creating the outcomes you want to see.	Target 2023	Target 2024	Target 2025
The percentage of 2nd through 8th grade students qualifying for free or reduced priced meals who meet or exceed the 30% on National Growth based on growth from Fall to Spring on the Fastbridge aReading assessment will increase by 2 percentage points per year based on a baseline score of 61% in 2019-20.	63	65	67
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Strategy # 2 Grow Your Own - Summer School Youth Educators

Type of Strategy:

- Recruitment and retention of racially and ethnically diverse teachers and administrators.
- Equitable access to effective and more diverse teachers.

Integrated Learning Environments (Minn. Stat. § 124D.861, subd. 1 (c)). If you chose *Innovative and integrated pre-K through grade 12 learning environments* as the strategy type above, describe in your narrative description how the different aspects of integrated learning environments listed below are part of your strategy:

☐ Uses policies, curriculum, or trained instructors and other advocates to support magnet schools, differentiated instruction, or targeted interventions.
☐ Provides school enrollment choices.
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☐ Increases graduation rates.
☐ Increases access to effective and diverse teachers.

Narrative description of this strategy. Based on your description below someone reading your plan should understand what you are proposing to do, why you are doing it, and be able to recognize it if they see it. For example, explain what this activity will look like, what will be taught, which students will participate, how students are selected, intended outcomes for students, what will be assessed, how will instruction be delivered, and where will this take place.

ROCORI schools will empower high school students to be Youth Educators at ROCORI Elementary Summer School. Participants will be high school Sophomores, Juniors, and Seniors with an interest in education and/or leadership. Youth Educators will register with the ROCORI district office as casual employees and receive a stipend for their work with summer school. Youth Educators will also receive teacher education training and leadership training prior to working with students in summer school.

Location of services: Cold Spring Elementary School

Key Indicators

These indicators are the evidence you will use to document how well each strategy is being implemented and whether or not they are helping bring about the intended outcomes for students. Use these indicators to assess the effectiveness of your strategies and to adjust what you're doing.

For strategies that provide school enrollment choices, such as magnet schools, and strategies that decrease racial and economic enrollment disparities, include at least one key indicator that measures enrollment disaggregated by

race/ethnicity and free or reduced-priced lunch (FRPL). Disaggregating your data may be relevant for other types of strategies such as those designed to increase access to effective and diverse teachers.

Key Indicators of Progress (KIP)

List key indicators of progress for this strategy and annual targets for each indicator. Choose indicators that will help you know if the strategy is creating the outcomes you want to see.	Target 2024	Target 2025	Target 2026
ROCORI will increase the number of Youth Educators each year by at least 2 youth educators to employ at least 6 Youth Educators at ROCORI Summer school by 2026	2	4	6
Enter KIP.			
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This data will be used to support evaluation of your plan (Minn. Stat. § 124D.861, subd. 5).

Strategy # 3 Cross District Collaboratives.

Type of Strategy: Innovative and integrated pre-K-12 learning environments. * If you choose this, complete the Integrated Learning Environments section below.

Integrated Learning Environments (Minn. Stat. § 124D.861, subd. 1 (c)). If you chose *Innovative and integrated pre-K through grade 12 learning environments* as the strategy type above, describe in your narrative description how the different aspects of integrated learning environments listed below are part of your strategy:

- ☐ Uses policies, curriculum, or trained instructors and other advocates to support magnet schools, differentiated instruction, or targeted interventions.
- ☐ Provides school enrollment choices.
- ☒ Increases cultural fluency, competency, and interaction.
- ☐ Increases graduation rates.
- ☐ Increases access to effective and diverse teachers.

Narrative description of this strategy. Based on your description below someone reading your plan should understand what you are proposing to do, why you are doing it, and be able to recognize it if they see it. For example, explain what this activity will look like, what will be taught, which students will participate, how students are selected, intended outcomes for students, what will be assessed, how will instruction be delivered, and where will this take place.

ROCORI elementary schools will participate with cross district collaborative experiences with St. Cloud schools. Possible initiatives may include the One District, One Book initiative to foster literacy efforts outside of school. One District, One Book consists of having every elementary child in the district receive the same book to be read aloud with an adult at home. The program provides a calendar and activities for families to follow. Additionally, 5th grade students will collaborate with other area classrooms via technology to discuss the book. Another collaborative experience could include, the 5th graders will come together to participate in a Kindness retreat with other area 5th graders.

At the secondary level, ROCORI will participate in Creating Common Ground and other MDCC cross district collaboratives.

Location of services: Rockville, Richmond, Cold Spring, and St. Cloud.

Key Indicators

These indicators are the evidence you will use to document how well each strategy is being implemented and whether or not they are helping bring about the intended outcomes for students. Use these indicators to assess the effectiveness of your strategies and to adjust what you're doing.

For strategies that provide school enrollment choices, such as magnet schools, and strategies that decrease racial and economic enrollment disparities, include at least one key indicator that measures enrollment disaggregated by race/ethnicity and free or reduced-priced lunch (FRPL). Disaggregating your data may be relevant for other types of strategies such as those designed to increase access to effective and diverse teachers.

Key Indicators of Progress (KIP)

List key indicators of progress for this strategy and annual targets for each indicator. Choose indicators that will help you know if the strategy is creating the outcomes you want to see.	**Target 2024**	**Target 2025**	**Target 2026**
By the 2025-26 school year, ROCORI schools will have partnerships and cross district collaborations at 4 or more grade levels.	2 Grade Levels	3 Grade Levels	4 Grade Levels
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This data will be used to support evaluation of your plan (Minn. Stat. § 124D.861, subd. 5).

Copy and paste the strategy section above for each additional strategy supporting this goal. Number each strategy sequentially regardless of the number of goals in your plan. When you are done adding strategies, this plan will have only one.

Key Indicators of Progress (KIP)

List key indicators of progress for this strategy and annual targets for each indicator. Choose indicators that will help you know if the strategy is creating the outcomes you want to see.	Target 2024	Target 2025	Target 2026
Example: The percentage of American Indian students enrolling into concurrent enrollment classes will increase by 10 percentage points each year. 2020 enrollment is 32 percent.	*42%*	*52%*	*62%*
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This data will be used to support evaluation of your plan (Minn. Stat. § 124D.861, subd. 5).

Copy and paste the strategy and key indicator sections above for each additional strategy supporting this goal. Number each strategy sequentially regardless of the number of goals in your plan. When you are done adding strategies, this plan will have only one Strategy #1, one Strategy #2, etc.

Remember to copy and paste the goal section when adding additional goals.

Creating Efficiencies and Eliminating Duplicative Programs

Briefly explain how this plan will create efficiencies and eliminate duplicative programs and services (Minn. Stat. § 124D.861, subd. 2 (c)).

Our District's Achievement and Integration plan allows us to create efficiencies by relating Achievement and Integration goals with World's Best Workforce goals, District and building goals, EL programming goals, and ADSIS goals. Through aligning the goals of these various systems, we are able to efficiently narrow our focus to raise student achievement and promote positive integration between students of different identities. Additionally, we are working collaboratively with other districts to provide opportunities that would not be available on our own.

Racially Identifiable School(s) (RIS)

If you have been notified by the Minnesota Department of Education (MDE) that your district has one or more Racially Identifiable Schools, include goals and strategies for each Racially Identifiable School within your district. *If MDE has not notified your district that one of your sites is racially identifiable, delete this section.*

Achievement and Integration Goals

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2. Reducing the disparities in equitable access to effective and more diverse teachers among all students and specific categories of students excluding the categories of gender, disability, and English learners.
3. Increasing racial and economic integration (Minn. Stat. § 124D.861, subd. 2 (a)).

RIS Goal # 1 Enter RIS Goal in SMART Goal format here.

Aligns with WBWF area: Enter one of the following:

- All children are ready for school.
- All racial and economic achievement gaps between students are closed.
- All racial and economic achievement gaps between students are closed.

- All students are ready for career and college.
- All students graduate from high school. All children are ready for school.

Goal type: Enter one of the following:

- Achievement Disparity
- Integration
- Teacher Equity

To add goals, copy the goal section directly above and paste them below the strategies supporting RIS Goal #1.

Racially Identifiable School Strategies

Each goal should have at least one strategy. Number each strategy sequentially and give it a unique name. For each strategy, provide a narrative description as explained below.

Districts may use Achievement and Integration revenue to increase racial and economic integration at their racially identifiable schools and to reduce disparities between student groups through the types of strategies listed in the *Type of Strategy* section below (Minn. Stat. § 124D.861, subd. 2).

Integration Requirement Include at least one strategy designed and implemented to increase racial and economic integration at each racially identifiable school (Minn. R. 3535.0160).

Copy and paste the strategy section below for each additional strategy.

Strategy # Enter RIS strategy name and number here.

Type of Strategy: Enter one of the following types of strategies:

- Innovative and integrated pre-K-12 learning environments. * If you choose this, complete the Integrated Learning Environments section below.
- Family engagement initiatives to increase student achievement.
- Professional development opportunities focused on academic achievement of all students.
- Career/college readiness and rigorous coursework for underserved students, including students enrolled in ALC.
- Recruitment and retention of racially and ethnically diverse teachers and administrators.
- Equitable access to effective and more diverse teachers.

Integrated Learning Environments (Minn. Stat. § 124D.861, subd. 1 (c)). If you chose *Innovative and integrated pre-K through grade 12 learning environments* as the strategy type above, describe in your narrative description how the different aspects of integrated learning environments listed below are part of your strategy:

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this activity will look like, what will be taught, which students will participate, how students are selected, intended outcomes for students, what will be assessed, how will instruction be delivered, and where will this take place.

Enter narrative here.
Location of services: Enter location here.

Key Indicators

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For strategies that provide school enrollment choices, such as magnet schools, and strategies that decrease racial and economic enrollment disparities, include at least one key indicator that measures enrollment disaggregated by race/ethnicity and free or reduced-priced lunch (FRPL). Disaggregating your data may be relevant for other types of strategies such as those designed to increase access to effective and diverse teachers.

Key Indicators of Progress (KIP)

List key indicators of progress for this strategy and annual targets for each indicator. Choose indicators that will help you know if the strategy is creating the outcomes you want to see.	Target 2024	Target 2025	Target 2026
Example: The percentage of NAME OF RIS students disaggregated by race/ethnicity and FRPL reporting an increased sense of engagement and connection on our school climate surveys will increase 25 percentage points each year. 2020 response rate is 50 percent.	*75%*	*100%*	*100%*
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This data will be used to support evaluation of your plan (Minn. Stat. § 124D.861, subd. 5).

Copy and paste the strategy section above for each additional strategy supporting this goal. Number each strategy sequentially regardless of the number of goals in your plan. When you are done adding strategies, this plan will have only one RIS Strategy #1, one RIS Strategy #2, etc.

Remember to copy and paste the goal section above to add additional goals for each of your racially identifiable schools.

Creating Efficiencies and Eliminating Duplicative Programs

Briefly explain how this plan for racially identifiable schools will create efficiencies and eliminate duplicative programs and services within your district (Minn. Stat. § 124D.861, subd. 2 (c)). Enter text here.