



State of the Schools Report 25–26

The **VISION** of Dowling Community School is to create compassionate and educated members of the community that work together to solve problems and **live joyfully together on a healthy planet.**

Dowling Community School's **MISSION** is to:

- Foster student **engagement and empowerment** in an **equitable, inclusive, and supportive** setting.
- Promote **academic excellence, confidence, creativity, and environmental stewardship.**

Strengths

- Community School
- Environmental Theme- 22 acres of land
- Sp. Ed. Programming- Resource and DCD
- Swimming
- Music and Art Program
- Focus on Academics

Challenges

- Intervention Resources have been limited in the past
- Class sizes
- Family Liaison is now a dedicated position, but limited funding associated
- Volunteer Building Coordination is a non-paid position
- Achievement Gap

School Improvement Plan	Goals and Strategies
Academics The percentage of students of color and students in the special education program will increase their proficiency in both reading and math according to aReading and aMath assessments.	Using PLC to deepen teacher implementation of curricular resources, examine student data, and respond when students are or are not yet learning. Implementation of UFLI curriculum in grades K-3. Measuring Student Progress- aReading/aMath, ACCESS, MCA
Student Well Being- Attendance/Affinity Groups Throughout Q2-4, we will improve the attendance for at least 7 out of the top 10 students who had the most absences in Q1.	We will begin a mentoring program for students who have attendance concerns. We will create staff led affinity groups for students for underrepresented populations. We will interview students to find out about their experiences at Dowling for underrepresented populations.
Effective Staff-School and district staff approach all work centered on students and equity Amazeworks Implementation (Equity and Engagement curriculum)	Professional Development and Surveys of staff to measure implementation

Dowling is Receiving Title Funding Services Provided: Academic Interventions and Social Emotional Learning from Intervention Team	Get Involved! PTO, Site Council, Volunteer, School Events!
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