



# Spring 2026: Our Roadmap for Student Success

We are excited to share our academic focus for the Spring 2026 semester. Our team has developed a 90-day plan dedicated to "knowing our students" and ensuring every child gets the support they need to thrive.

## Our Main Priorities

This semester, we are focusing on three key areas to improve the student experience:

- **Deeply Understanding Our Students:** We are committed to knowing each student's unique learning profile.
- **Better Feedback:** We are working on providing grading and feedback that is timely and meaningful so students know exactly how to improve.
- **Consistent Grading:** We are improving our grading practices to ensure they are fair and helpful for everyone.

## Subject-Specific Goals

### Reading & Writing (ELA)

- **The Goal:** We want our students to become confident readers and writers of nonfiction. Our specific target is for 80% of students to reach proficiency on school-created, grade-level writing checkpoints.
- **The Strategy:** To address this, every teacher is creating and teaching a nonfiction writing unit designed to boost specific skills identified on the writing checkpoint.

### Mathematics

- **The Goal:** We are dedicated to helping every student progress in math, regardless of their starting point. We have a specific goal to help students who are currently working below grade level in their algorithmic math groups to accelerate their learning and master new skills.
- **The Strategy:** We are designing "accelerated" math units specifically to help close those gaps and get students back on track.

## Behind the Scenes: Monday Professional Development

You might wonder what our teachers work on during Mondays. This semester, we are holding "Facilitated Working Sessions." During these sessions, teachers are actively collaborating to:

- **Design Instruction:** Build the new nonfiction writing and accelerated math units described above.
- **Review Student Work:** Analyze student writing drafts and math checkpoints to see exactly where students are succeeding or struggling.
- **Plan Feedback:** Create specific tools and rubrics to give students clear guidance on how to improve their work.