

2026–2028 STRATEGIC PLAN

FIRE ISLAND SCHOOL DISTRICT

Blueprint for Excellence

From Vision to Execution



The Shift

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Broad Goals

Aspirational mission & vision

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Defined Ownership

Named roles & responsibilities

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Clear Timelines

Phased, sequenced action

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Accountability

Quarterly updates & budget alignment

This plan moves beyond intention — it defines **who**, **when**, and **how**.

Three Priority Areas

Academic Excellence

**Rigorous, dynamic programming
rooted in environment, creativity,
and real-world learning.**

Student & Staff Experience

**A collaborative culture of
connection, belonging, and shared
responsibility.**

Sustainability & Partnerships

**Responsible planning, strong
community ties, and long-term
district vitality.**

Evidence of Substance

Environment-Based Learning

Curriculum connected to Fire Island ecology; expanded FINS partnerships and outdoor learning across grade levels.

Communication & Role Clarity

Clear staff roles, defined communication pathways, and structured family access to school resources.

Transportation Safety

Comprehensive fleet review, updated protocols, and driver training in behavior management underway.



Already in Motion

Communication Structures

Pathways being clarified across all departments and roles — Spring 2026.



Operational Systems

Transportation and staff role structures actively under review — Spring 2026.

Community Connections

Local partnerships and outreach events being developed — Fall 2026.



Phased Implementation



Now — Systems & Operations

Communication structures, transportation review, staff role clarity, and community partnerships. *(Spring–Fall 2026)*



Next — Program Expansion

Project-based learning, STEAM expansion, career awareness, and social-emotional development. *(Fall 2026–Spring 2027)*



Later — Coherence & Sustainability

Curriculum alignment across grades, language program review, early childhood evaluation, long-term enrollment strategy. *(Spring 2027–2028)*

What the Community Will See



Consistent Communication

Predictable updates and clear information flow to all stakeholders.



Real-World Learning

Expanded experiential, environment-based, and community-connected opportunities.



Role Clarity

Greater shared understanding of responsibilities across all staff.



Predictable Progress

Quarterly updates tied to defined timelines and measurable action steps.

Accountability Framework



 All progress is tied directly to budget decisions and ongoing plan refinement — ensuring the Board has full visibility at every stage.



Our Blueprint Team

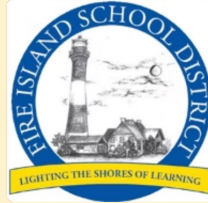
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