David T. Howard Middle School

Vision: All David T Howard students become critically thinking, responsible citizens and empowered innovators ready to shape the future in a rapidly changing world.

Mission: We educate all students through authentic, rigorous, and relevant learning experiences grounded in our signature STEAM programming

1 By Spring 2030, the percentage of proficient and above learners as assessed by the **GMAS EOG ELA** will **increase by 15%** overall from 73% (2025) to 88%. *Sub Goal: Subgroups Black will increase by 20% from 36% (2025) to 56%, and SWD will increase by 20% from 24% (2025) to 44%.*

2 By Spring 2030, the percentage of proficient and above learners as assessed by the **GMAS EOG Math** will **increase by 15%** overall from 68% (2025) to 83%. *Sub Goal: Subgroups Black will increase by 20% from 30% (2025) to 50%, and SWD will increase by 20% from 26% (2025) to 46%.*

3 By Spring 2030, the CCRPI attendance rate will remain at or above 90%, by ensuring **chronic absenteeism** as determined by GADOE does not exceed 10% days absent for the student's enrollment period greater than 30 days, with an emphasis the Black subgroups *from 74%(2025) to 85%* .

We Are Strengthening Our Instructional Core

- Ensure students receive intervention and enrichment to demonstrate mastery on essential standards.
- Utilize Academic Universal Screener data to drive instructional practices to address struggling learners and gifted/advanced students.

We Are Caring For Every Child

- Implement PBIS and SEL programming for all students in grades 6-8.

We Are Sparking Student Curiosity

- Expand opportunities to Advanced Content courses for at least 5% of non-gifted identified students.
- Provide the necessary supports and resources to implement STEAM program.

Our Strength is Our Team

- Build teacher capacity and leadership opportunities across the Professional Learning Community (PLC) to meet the diverse social and academic needs of students.
- Create an environment that motivates and retains staff members.

Our Responsibility Is Shared

- Develop a safe, positive, informed and engaged school culture.
- Increase the diversity of families who engage with the school through various activities.

Our School Is Efficient & Effective

- Provide consistent two-way communication, programming, and staffing to keep all stakeholders proactively informed and supported.

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