

South River Public Schools

District Goals School Year 2026–2027

Goal 1: Improve Academic Achievement in Language Arts and Mathematics

Improve student achievement and growth in English Language Arts and Mathematics by strengthening small group instruction across all grade levels and academic content areas. Provide timely, targeted intervention and supplemental academic support through a tiered model of supports informed by student needs and data.

Goal 2: Expand Opportunities for Student Enrichment and Engagement

Promote academic success and enrich the overall student experience by expanding access to meaningful extracurricular activities, clubs, athletics, arts, and other enrichment opportunities. Encourage students to explore their interests and talents while developing leadership, collaboration, and a strong sense of connection to their school community.

Goal 3: Advance the Safe, Ethical, and Effective Integration of Artificial Intelligence (AI) in Education

Continue to enhance teaching and learning through the purposeful integration of artificial intelligence. Build the capacity of students and staff to use AI tools safely, ethically, and effectively while promoting responsible use, academic integrity, equitable access, and the protection of student privacy.

Goal 4: Continue to Support a Safe, Secure, and Supportive Learning Environment

Maintain safe, secure, and welcoming schools by continuously evaluating and improving physical safety measures and emergency preparedness and response procedures. Promote positive school climates that support student and staff wellbeing, belonging, engagement, and a strong sense of community.

Goal 5: Promote Responsible Financial Planning and Operational Efficiency

Support the district's long-term financial stability through responsible budgeting, strategic financial planning, and the ongoing evaluation of programs, services, and operations. Identify opportunities for cost savings, increased efficiencies, shared services, and alternative funding sources while prioritizing student achievement and educational opportunities.

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