The Northbridge Public Schools – Strategic Plan NPS: 2015-2018



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Background

- During the 2014-2015 school year, Northbridge Public Schools completed the second year of a two year Accelerated Learning Plan.
- Entry Plan September 2014
- Entry Report December 2014
 - This report contained information recorded from multiple sources and presented three areas upon which future work should grow.
 - The three areas included work that was developed through the Accelerated Learning Plan and areas identified as high leverage areas in the entry report.

Strategic Planning

- The Leadership Team has been developing a strategy that continues the ALP work while including a targeted focus toward key areas for development.
- These targets include educational initiatives and areas that need to be addressed for continued development and improvement.
- These include:
 - Teaching and Learning
 - Buildings and Operations
 - Community and Communications

Components of the Strategic Plan

- Development of a Vision Statement
- Updated Beliefs as Core Beliefs
- Revision of our motto
- Each school and the District has a "Strategic Plan" overview sheet
- Each school and the District will have a three-year action plan
- Each school and the District will have an action plan sheet for each year

ALP Comparison

Accelerated Learning Plan (Accelerated Improvement Plan)	Strategic Plan
Originally designed for Level 4 Districts	Incorporated from the business sector as a means to maintain a focus on continued growth
Shorter duration (1-2 years)	Broader timeframe (3-5 years)
Goal of the plan is to improve student learning outcomes	Goal is to work toward a vision of overall improvement and growth that will improve student learning outcomes
Addresses specifically teaching and learning	Includes all areas of operation for systematic improvements
Includes school personnel as key stakeholders	Includes other individuals in the system and community as responsible collaborators

Next Steps

- School Committee approval of Strategic Plan on September 22, 2015
- Administrative Team continues to delineate three year action plan and the action plan for 2015-2016.
- The Superintendent will introduce the approved Strategic Plan at staff meetings, School Council meetings, the PTA, the Superintendent's Advisory Council, and community groups.
- A webcast will be created outlining and describing the Strategic Plan for the community.
- All documents will be posted online.