# **Sumter County School District**

Strategic Plan
For Continuous
Improvement
2021-2025



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# Strategic Plan 2021-2025

#### **Vision Statement**

Preparing the Next Generation Today!

#### Mission Statement

The Sumter School District is committed to providing a rigorous and relevant standards-based education in a safe environment. Through a partnership of students, parents, staff and community, students are given the opportunity to reach their full potential as lifelong learners and contributing members of society.

#### **Belief Statements**

- ♦ Everyone can learn.
- ♦ The uniqueness of all students is valued.
- The focus of education is to prepare students for success in a global society.
- All students deserve fairness, respect, encouragement, and recognition for achievement.
- High standards and clear expectations foster a culture of achievement.
- ♦ Education enhances quality of life and empowers people.
- All stakeholders are accountable for educational outcomes.
- ♦ Family and community share responsibility for the development of all children.

#### **Parameters**

- ♦ We will not compromise our commitment to safety and excellence.
- Major decisions will take into account available input from stakeholders.
- ♦ We will not tolerate harassment, prejudice, or discrimination.
- ♦ We will maintain the strategic plan as a vital consideration for all decisions.
- Decisions are based on the needs and best interests of each student.
- We will monitor and evaluate our endeavors to ensure effectiveness using available data sources to make the best decisions for continuous improvement.

#### **Objectives**

#### All Sumter County Students will:

- ♦ Attend schools in which safety is a major part of the school culture.
- Excel in a challenging academic environment.
- Graduate college or career ready.
- Be responsible contributing citizens of their local and global communities.

#### **Strategies**

#### **ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE**

- **Strategy 1** Ensure every student has daily engagement with complex, grade appropriate curriculum.
- **Strategy 2** Engage students in a focused pathway to prepare them for post-secondary enrollment, military enlistment, or workforce employment.

#### SCHOOL AND STUDENT SUPPORT

- **Strategy 3** Expand outreach and engagement efforts to drive parent and family involvement in schools and district initiatives.
- **Strategy 4** Provide social, emotional, and behavioral supports.
- **Strategy 5** Increase district-wide technology support.

#### **SCHOOL SAFETY**

**Strategy 6** Provide safe and secure school facilities and transportation.

#### STAFF EXCELLENCE

- **Strategy 7** Recruit and retain highly effective teachers.
- **Strategy 8** Foster a professional environment of growth and learning for all educational personnel.

#### **Board Commitment Statements**

The Board is committed to a responsive budgeting process that links the District's goals and objectives with appropriate resources. The Board is further committed to maintain a minimum 5% fund balance level as a "rainy day" reserve with the ultimate goal being to increase the fund balance until the annual Tax Anticipation Note (TAN) loan is unnecessary.

#### **Review Process**

The Strategic Plan will be reviewed annually. The review process has three purposes: to make any necessary changes in the original plan; to coordinate the Strategic Plan with the budget process ensuring yearly priorities align with the current budget; and to reaffirm the Board's commitment to the Strategic Plan.

# Strategy 1

Ensure every student has daily engagement with complex, grade appropriate curriculum.

## **Performance Indicator**

Maintain an "A" District rating

# **Theory of Action**

If we put systems in place to monitor and support high quality, rigorous, and relevant curriculum and instruction, achievement gaps based on race, ethnicity, exceptional education and economic status will be eliminated.

# **Action Plans**

- 1.1 Achievement Gap
- 1.2 Early Intervention
- 1.3 Evidence-Based Instructional Delivery Model

Every great achievement was once impossible ~Anonymous

# ACTION PLAN - Achievement Gap

Assigned to: Senior Director, Curriculum and Instruction

Strategy 1: Ensure every student has daily engagement with complex, grade appropriate curriculum.

### **# ACTION STEP**

		21-22	22-23	23-24	24-25
1	Monitor and support the utilization of accommodations, modifications and/or interventions to address individualized student needs.	X	X	X	X
2	Implement a systematic progress monitoring plan and assessment calendar.	X	X	X	X
3	Expand opportunities for students to engage in real-world learning activities.	X	X	X	X
4	Utilize Professional Learning Communities to review curriculum, instruction and assessment.	X	X	X	X
5	Utilize school-based Acceleration Teams to monitor student data, identify individual learning needs, and provide the interventions and acceleration strategies needed to close the learning gap.	X	X	X	X

#### **Measures:**

- Annual IEP Review review goals
- District Assessment Calendars
- PLC Agendas and Lesson Plans
- MTSS Data Student Specific
- ESOL Assess for ELL's Data and Annual Plans
- 504 Plans for Accommodations

1.1

Assigned to: Senior Director, Curriculum and Instruction

Strategy 1: Ensure every student has daily engagement with complex, grade appropriate curriculum.

Action	Cost Factor	New Cost Fundi Source		
Step #				
4	Teacher salaries and substitute teacher costs	\$10,000.00	Title I, Title II & ESSER	
5	Academic Resource and Interventionist teachers on special assignment (16) Salaries and Benefits	\$1,158,669.00	ESSER	

#### **ACTION PLAN - Early Intervention**

1.2

Assigned to: Senior Director, Curriculum and Instruction

<u>Strategy 1:</u> Ensure every student has daily engagement with complex, grade appropriate curriculum.

#### **# ACTION STEP**

		21-22	22-23	23-24	24-25
1	Provide K-2 acceleration programs focused on	X	X	X	X
	reading and math.				
2	Provide training on early childhood standards.	X	X	X	X
3	Implement a district assessment for progress	X	X	X	X
	monitoring that aligns with state standards.				
4	Provide professional development on acceleration	X	X	X	X
	and intervention strategies.				

- Professional Development Records
- STAR and iReady Reports
- Attendance Records
- Acceleration Program Plans

# Assigned to: Senior Director, Curriculum and Instruction

Strategy 1: Ensure every student has daily engagement with complex, grade appropriate curriculum.

Action Step #	Cost Factor	New Cost	Funding Source
4	Teacher salaries, consultant costs, travel and substitute teacher costs	\$25,000	Title I Title II

#### ACTION PLAN – Evidence-Based Instructional Delivery Model

1.3

Assigned to: Senior Director, Curriculum and Instruction

<u>Strategy 1:</u> Ensure every student has daily engagement with complex, grade appropriate curriculum.

#### **# ACTION STEP**

			21-22	22-23	23-24	24-25
1	Ensure all teachers receive Learning Focused		X	X	X	X
	Solutions (LFS) and Advancement via Individual					
	Determination (AVID) training.					
2	Monitor and support the implementation of LFS		X	X	X	X
	and AVID strategies.					
3	Provide opportunities and support for districtwide		X	X	X	X
	articulation to address curriculum mapping and					
	assessments for all tested courses.					
4	Provide support for teachers to collaborate in	_	X	X	X	X
	planning lessons that incorporate state standards.					

- Professional Development Records
- Curriculum Maps
- Assessment Calendars
- Walkthrough Reports

#### **Assigned to: Senior Director, Curriculum and Instruction**

Strategy 1: Ensure every student has daily engagement with complex, grade appropriate curriculum.

Action Step #	Cost Factor	New Cost	Funding Source
4	Two teachers on special assignment for Curriculum	\$141,000.00	ESSER

# Strategy 2

Engage students in a focused pathway to prepare them for post-secondary enrollment, military enlistment, or workforce employment

## **Performance Indicator**

All students upon graduation will have a focused pathway

# **Theory of Action**

If we engage students in a focused career path, stakeholders will make informed decisions to increase focused pathways, virtual completion rate, graduation rate, and implement employability skill instruction.

## **Action Plans**

- 2.1 Career Services
- 2.2 Virtual Options
- 2.3 Graduation Rate
- 2.4 Work-Based Learning
- 2.5 Employability Skill Instruction

One important key to success is self-confidence. An important key to self-confidence is preparation.

#### **ACTION PLAN – Career Services**

2.1

Assigned to: Supervisor, Career Technical and Adult Education

<u>Strategy 2:</u> Engage students in a focused pathway to prepare them for post-secondary enrollment, military enlistment, or workforce employment.

#### **# ACTION STEP**

		21-22	22-23	23-24	24-25
1	Establish a Career Technical Education (CTE)		X	X	X
	Program Specialist to provide Career Services to				
	students 6-12 and assist with development of a				
	career plan for every student grade 8.				
2	Monitor student development and modification of	X	X	X	X
	career plans with fidelity for students enrolled in				
	CTE courses.				
3	Provide more post-secondary exploration	X	X	X	X
	opportunities in Middle and High School.				
4	Expand career planning opportunities K-12.	X	X	X	X

- Hiring of CTE Specialist
- Completion of career plans
- My Careershine career days
- Annual post-secondary articulation agreements
- Career days
- Post-secondary school visits
- Galaxy career days
- Lesson plans documenting career planning

Assigned to: Supervisor, Career Technical and Adult Education

<u>Strategy 2:</u> Engage students in a focused pathway to prepare them for postsecondary enrollment, military enlistment, or workforce employment

Action Step #	Cost Factor	New Cost	Funding Source
1	CTE Program Specialist (2022-23)	\$79,000.00 Salary with benefits	To Be Determined
3	Career Fairs, Hiring Fairs, Field Trips to Post-Secondary Institutions	\$5000.00 Year	Perkins CAPE

#### **ACTION PLAN – Virtual Options**

2.2

Assigned to: Specialist, School Choice

<u>Strategy 2:</u> Engage students in a focused pathway to prepare them for postsecondary enrollment, military enlistment, or workforce employment

#### **# ACTION STEP**

		21-22	22-23	23-24	24-25
1	Develop a manual for parents, students and staff	X			
	on Sumter Virtual Franchise procedures				
2	Monitor teacher involvement to ensure	X	X	X	X
	expectations are met				
3	Utilize graduation coach to ensure proper		$\overline{\mathbf{X}}$	X	X
	placements and completions in virtual courses				

- Virtual Manual
- Monthly teacher meeting agendas
- Logs from FLVS LMS
- Graduation Coach data on virtual students

2.2

Assigned to: Specialist, School Choice

Strategy 2: Engage students in a focused pathway to prepare them for postsecondary enrollment, military enlistment, or workforce employment

Action Step #	Cost Factor	New Cost	Funding Source
1	Printing	500.00	00840 Virtual

#### **ACTION PLAN - Graduation Rate**

Assigned to: Coordinator, Accountability & Research for Secondary Programs

Strategy 2: Engage students in a focused pathway to prepare them for postsecondary enrollment, military enlistment, or workforce employment

#### **# ACTION STEP**

		21-22	22-23	23-24	24-25
1	Create a District Level Graduation coach who				
	works with all schools who serve grade 8 or higher	X			
2	Utilize the Project 10 data in addition to the Early				
	Warning System (EWS) indicators to develop a	X			
	plan that identifies students not on track for				
	graduation who are enrolled in grades 10-12				
3	Utilize the Project 10 data in addition to the Early				
	Warning System (EWS) indicators to develop a	X			
	plan that identifies students not on track for				
	graduation while enrolled in 8-9 grade				
4	Implement individualized graduation plans for				
	students not on track as early as 9th grade utilizing	X			
	interventions as well as the 18-credit option.				
5	Review the percentage of on time for graduation	X	X	$\mathbf{X}$	X
	students per cohort, dropout rate per cohort and				
	graduation rate.				
6	Provide for continuation of the plan and services		X	X	X
	based upon the continued funds available.				

#### **Measures**

- Hiring of Graduation Coach
- Reduced percentages of not-on-time graduation students per cohort
- Reduced percentages of dropouts per cohort
- Graduation Rate

2.3

2.3

Assigned to: Coordinator, Accountability & Research for Secondary Programs

Strategy 2: Engage students in a focused pathway to prepare them for postsecondary enrollment, military enlistment, or workforce employment

Action Step #	Cost Factor	New Cost	Funding Source
1	Graduation Coach	\$79,000.00	ESSER

#### ACTION PLAN - Work-Based Learning

2.4

Assigned to: Supervisor, Career Technical and Adult Education

<u>Strategy 2:</u> Engage students in a focused pathway to prepare them for postsecondary enrollment, military enlistment, or workforce employment

#### **ACTION STEP**

		21-22	22-23	23-24	24-25
1	Offer OJT/Cooperative Education in all		X	X	X
	eligible Career Technical Education (CTE)				
	programs.				
2	Establish Pre-apprenticeship and	$\mathbf{X}$	X	$\mathbf{X}$	X
	Apprenticeship programs with participating				
	employers in programs with high demand				
	workforce needs.				
3	Expand job shadowing opportunities grades	X	X	$\mathbf{X}$	X
	8-10.				
4	Strengthen articulation agreements with post-		X	X	X
	secondary institutions.				
5	Explore the conversion of existing course		X	X	X
	sequences that offer no industry certification				
	or work based- learning to a more career				
	preparatory focus. (ex. Music, Art, Athletics)				

- Student Progression Plan (SPP) and course offerings
- SPP/CTE Program Guide
- Articulation Agreement
- Master Schedules/SPP
- Memorandums of Understanding

2.4

Assigned to: Supervisor, Career Technical and Adult Education

<u>Strategy 2:</u> Engage students in a focused pathway to prepare them for postsecondary enrollment, military enlistment, or workforce employment

Action Step #	Cost Factor	New Cost	Funding Source
3	Substitutes and transportation for job shadowing visits	\$5000 year	Perkins CAPE

#### **ACTION PLAN – Employability Skills**

2.5

Assigned to: Supervisor, Career Technical and Adult Education

<u>Strategy 2:</u> Engage students in a focused pathway to prepare them for postsecondary enrollment, military enlistment, or workforce employment

#### **ACTION STEP**

		21-22	22-23	23-24	24-25
1	Appoint a district committee composed of	X			
	teachers, administrators, business partners and				
	district staff to oversee implementation and				
	evaluation of employability skills instruction.				
2	Select a supplemental employability skills		X		
	curriculum for a 180 day school year for grades 6-				
	12.				
3	Develop a curriculum map/schedule for		$\mathbf{X}$	X	X
	instruction for this curriculum and revise annually.				
4	Provide PD for teachers upon the imple-		X		
	mentation of the curriculum.				
5	Provide PD for new teachers on the curriculum		X	X	X
	thereafter.				
6	Evaluate effectiveness of the curriculum			X	X
	implementation on student skills and mindset.				

- Agendas/Minutes
- Curriculum
- Curriculum Maps
- PD Calendar
- Results of Employability Skills test
- Lesson Plans

Assigned to: Supervisor, Career Technical and Adult Education

<u>Strategy 2:</u> Engage students in a focused pathway to prepare them for postsecondary enrollment, military enlistment, or workforce employment

Action Step #	Cost Factor	New Cost	Funding Source
2	Supplemental employability skills curriculum (22-23)	\$8000.00	6-12 Perkins
3	Employee supplements for curriculum development (22-23)	\$1500.00	6-12 Perkins

# Strategy 3

Expand outreach and engagement efforts to drive parent and family involvement in schools and district initiatives.

# **Performance Indicator**

An increase in the number of opportunities for parent engagement and family participation rates.

# **Theory of Action**

If parents are involved with their children's schools, the partnership is most likely to improve student learning.

# **Action Plan**

3.1 Family Engagement

At the end of the day, the most overwhelming key to a child's success is the positive involvement of family.

#### **ACTION PLAN – Family Engagement**

3.1

Assigned to: Director, Elementary Education

Strategy 3: Expand outreach and engagement efforts to drive parent and family involvement in schools and district initiatives.

#### **# ACTION STEP**

		21-22	22-23	23-24	24-25
1	Implement a Parent and Family Engagement Plan	X	X	X	X
	at both the school and district level.				
2	Assess schools to determine family involvement	X	X	$\mathbf{X}$	X
	needs.				
3	Match resources to individualized school needs.	X	X	X	X
4	Strengthen and expand resources for families	X	X	X	X
	through electronic and print communication.				
5	Expand recognition programs that celebrate family	X	X	X	X
	parent involvement at both the school and district				
	level.				

- Parent and Family Engagement Plans
- Title I Needs Assessment and Parent Survey
- Electronic and Print Communications
- Parent Engagement Sign-in Sheets and Agendas
- School Activity Calendars

# Strategy 4

Increase social, emotional, and behavioral supports

# **Performance Indicator**

Reduction of students' time out of class due to Baker Acts, out of school suspensions and poor attendance.

# **Theory of Action**

Sumter Schools will build educator capacity and district supports creating a culture of safety and wellness for all staff and students.

# **Action Plans**

- 4.1 Pre-Kindergarten/Primary SEL Focus
- 4.2 Positive Behavior Interventions & Supports (PBIS)
- 4.3 School Culture Plans
- 4.4 Embedded Social Emotional Learning (SEL)
- 4.5 Mental Health Services
- 4.6 Employee Wellness

#### ACTION PLAN - PreKindergarten/Primary SEL Focus

4.1

Assigned to: Title I Director / Pre-Kindergarten Office

Strategy 4: Increase social, emotional, and behavioral supports.

#### **# ACTION STEP**

		21-22	22-23	23-24	24-25
1	Review current programs and usage/explore new	X	X		
	programs to increase connections and				
	collaboration in PreKindergarten and Primary				
	classrooms.				
2	Provide related professional development		X	X	
3	Review program effectiveness		X	X	X
4	Modify or change program as needed, based on			X	X
	effectiveness				

- Targeted Walk-through data
- Training logs
- Professional Learning Community (PLC) agendas (anecdotal data)

Assigned to: Title I Director/Pre-Kindergarten Office

Strategy 4: Increase social, emotional and behavioral supports

Action Step #	Cost Factor	New Cost	Funding Source
1	Training, materials, supplies	\$2000.00	Mental Health Assistance Allocation Plan

ACTION PLAN – Positive Behavior Interventions & Supports (PBIS) 4.2

Assigned to: Director, ESE

Strategy 4: Increase social, emotional, and behavioral supports.

#### **# ACTION STEP**

		21-22	22-23	23-24	24-25
1	PBIS Training	X	X	X	X
2	Train school leadership in use of data for program evaluation	X	X	X	X
3	Review quarterly school based discipline	X	X	X	X
4	Update PBIS school plan based on discipline	X	X	X	X
	data				
5	Conduct quarterly PBIS coaches meeting	X	X	X	X
6	Conduct monthly PBIS school team meeting	X	X	X	X
7	Share PBIS quarterly data with school staff	X	X	X	X

- Training logs
- School discipline data
- PBIS School Plans (as part of School Culture Plan)
- Coaches meeting agendas
- School Climate Surveys
- School PBIS team meeting agendas

#### **ACTION PLAN - School Culture Plans**

4.3

Assigned to: Director, Student Services

Strategy 4: Increase social, emotional, and behavioral supports.

#### **# ACTION STEP**

		21-22	22-23	23-24	24-25
1	Each school will submit annually an updated School Culture Plan which includes a section for:  • Attendance • Mentoring • Social and Emotional Learning • Anti-bullying • Character Education • Positive Behavior Intervention Support	X	X	X	X
2	Review submission of school plans by Student Services Director	X	X	X	X
3	Monitor fidelity of implementation: school administrators	X	X	X	X
4	Review and evaluation of Culture Plan using data from each component	X	X	X	X

- Mentoring Schedules
- Attendance Data
- Discipline Data
- Hope Scholarships
- Olweus Bullying Survey Analysis
- Walkthrough Data

#### ACTION PLAN – Embedded Social Emotional Learning (SEL)

4.4

Assigned to: Director, Student Services

Strategy 4: Increase social, emotional, and behavioral supports.

#### **# ACTION STEP**

## Implementation Timeline

		21-22	22-23	23-24	24-25
1	Train all new staff on Youth Mental Health First Aid	X	X	X	X
2	Train instructional staff in trauma sensitive classroom awareness and verbal de-escalation strategies.	X	X	X	X
4	Retrain staff in SEL curriculum, programs, and expectations, as needed	X		X	
5	Incorporate SEL (social emotional learning) concepts into daily routines in all classrooms	X	X	X	X
6	Monitor embeddedness of SEL concepts in daily classroom routines	X	X	X	X

- Youth Mental Health First Aid Logs
- Walkthrough Data (SEL posters, student to student interaction, use of SEL terminology)
- Agendas
- Training logs or certificates
- SEL training logs or certificates

#### **ACTION PLAN – Mental Health Services**

4.5

Assigned to: Director, Student Services

Strategy 4: Increase social, emotional, and behavioral supports.

#### **# ACTION STEP**

		21-22	22-23	23-24	24-25
1	Increase district direct mental health services	X			
2	Monitor and evaluate effectiveness of district	X	X	X	X
	mental health services				
3	Continue contracted mental health services	X	X	X	X
4	Monitor and evaluate effectiveness of	X	X	X	X
	contracted mental health services				
5	Expand connections to community mental	X	X		
	health services and supports for students and				
	families				

- Mental Health logs of students served
- Job Description
- Community resource list

4.5

Assigned to: Director, Student Services

Strategy 4: Increase social, emotional, and behavioral supports.

Action	Cost Factor	New Cost	Funding Source
Step #			
1	Two additional staff members to provide mental health services	\$134,695.00	ESSER  Mental Health Plan  Title IV

#### **ACTION PLAN – Employee Wellness**

4.6

Assigned to: Sr. Director, HR

Strategy 4: Increase social, emotional, and behavioral supports.

#### **# ACTION STEP**

		21-22	22-23	23-24	24-25
1	Provide vaccine clinics for all employees	X	X	X	X
2	Promote District Employee Assistance Program (EAP) through monthly email blasts	X	X	x	X
3	and annual benefits information sessions  Promote healthy lifestyles through newsletters	X	X	X	X
4	and webinars Survey staff and research interest based wellness programs	X			
5	Implement focused wellness program district- wide based on survey results		X		
6	Coordinate a district-wide Health Fair		X		

- Attendance logs/rosters
- Emails/Newsletters
- Survey results
- Announcements
- EAP participation rates
- Number of clinics offered employees
- Insurance claims

# COST ANALYSIS – Employee Wellness

4.6

Assigned to: Sr. Director, HR

Strategy 4: Increase social, emotional and behavioral supports.

Action Step #	Cost Factor	New Cost	Funding Source
5	Incentives for Wellness Program (22-23)	Up to \$10,000 dependent upon funding	Blue Cross Blue Shield Wellness Reimbursement
6	Set-Up Supplies/Guest Speakers (22-23)	\$2000	General Fund or Wellness Reimbursement

# Strategy 5

Increase district-wide technology supports

# **Performance Indicator**

Increase technology utilization and training for student and staff instructional and operational activities.

# Theory of Action

Sumter Schools will provide a technological and information rich environment that supports instruction, innovation, and adaptability to an everchanging world.

# **Action Plans**

- 5.1 Instructional Technology Support
- 5.2 Operational Technology Support
- 5.3 Access to Technological Resources

## ACTION PLAN - Instructional Technology Support

5.1

Assigned to: Coordinator, Information and Instructional Technology

Strategy 5: Increase district-wide technology support

## # ACTION STEP

		21-22	22-23	23-24	24-25
1	Create and provide innovative credit- and non-	X	X	X	X
	credit professional development courses in Canvas				
	to support the integration of technology in the				
	classroom.				
2	Utilize Canvas Catalog to provide self-enrollment	X	X	$\mathbf{X}$	X
	process to Canvas Professional Development				
	coursework.				
3	Provide application support and maintenance to	X	X	X	X
	support day-to-day operations.				
4	Teachers-on-special-assignment will provide	X	X	X	X
	training, innovation, and support the needs of				
	teachers utilizing technology resources with				
	students.				
5	Organize, manage, and provide third party	X	X	X	X
	applications that align with curriculum throughout				
	the district. This may include, but not limited to,				
	ClassLink data analysis, teacher/principal survey,				
	application request guidelines, process, and				
	timeline.				

- Canvas Reports
- Canvas Catalog Reports
- Professional Development Schedule & Reports
- FileBound Reports (Application/Software request process)
- ClassLink Data Analysis
- Helpdesk Data

# **ACTION PLAN** - Operational Technology Support

5.2

Assigned to: Coordinator, Information and Instructional Technology

Strategy 5: Increase district-wide technology support.

# # ACTION STEP

		21-22	22-23	23-24	24-25
1	Create and provide training courses in Canvas to	X	X	X	X
	support the integration of technology throughout				
	the district.				
2	Utilize Canvas Catalog to provide self-enrollment	X	X	X	X
	process to Canvas Professional Development				
	coursework.				
3	Provide application support and maintenance to	X	X	X	X
	support day-to-day operations.				
4	Manage the continuing challenge of social engineering	X	X	X	X
	by rigorously training and testing all staff using				
	KnowBe4 phishing tests and regular online security				
	training.				
5	Provide professional development to employees to	X	X	X	X
	ensure efficient and effective use of available software				
	technologies. Such applications trainings to include but				
	not limited to Microsoft Word, Microsoft Excel,				
	ClassLink, and Skyward.				

- Canvas Reports
- Canvas Catalog Reports
- Professional Development Schedule and Reports
- FileBound Reports
- Helpdesk Data
- KnowBe4 Reports

# ACTION PLAN - Access to Technological Resources

5.3

# Assigned to: Coordinator, Information Technology

# Strategy 5: Increase district-wide technology support

# **# ACTION STEP**

		21-22	22-23	23-24	24-25
1	Replace 1/5th of student computers each year.	X	X	X	X
2	Monitor bandwidth utilization and adjust on	X	X	X	X
	ERate funding schedule.				
3	Maintain consistent models of computers/tech at	X	X	X	X
	all schools and encourage use of standard				
	platforms and learning tools through professional				
	development.				
4	Maintain/monitor/enhance security features:	X	X	X	X
	Firewall, e-mail filtering, antivirus/				
	spam/phishing. Educate users on social				
	engineering and the importance of updating				
	relevant software platforms.				
5	Maintain/Monitor/Enhance communication	X	X	X	X
	platforms for effectiveness between all				
	stakeholders. To include communication with				
	Skyward, e-mail, District Website, School				
	Messenger, Remind and Social Media.				

- Inventory Reports and Purchase Orders
- Cybersecurity report
- 1 to 1 Reports
- District-wide Communication Tracking
- Professional Development Schedule and Reports

# Assigned to: Coordinator, Information Technology

Strategy 5: Increase district-wide technology support.

Action Step #	Cost Factor	New Cost	Funding Source
1	Purchase 1000 student computers	\$489,957	09770, 1 to1 Initiative.
2	Purchase internet access and leased private WAN connection to all district site.	\$23,700	01780. E-Rate
3	Technology Trainer and Canvas	\$123,000	03480, 09080, Digital Classroom, Ent. Software
4	Firewall, Kaspersky, Know-Be-4, Security Assessment	\$65,000	09080, Ent. Software
5	Skyward Family and Student access, District Website, School Messenger, Remind and Social Media	\$45,595	09080, Ent. Software

# Strategy 6

Enhance school facilities and transportation by continuously improving safety and security

# **Performance Indicator**

Trends that show improvement over time relative to facilities, transportation, and security including base line assessments and work order data.

# **Theory of Action**

If we provide the safest learning and work environment, combined with on time and secure transportation then the following will occur:

- Student/employee safety will be enhanced
- A positive school culture for learning and teaching will be created
- Student/employee environments will become more sustainable and reliable
- Operating costs will be reduced

# **Action Plans**

- 6.1 Emergency and Situational Preparedness
- 6.2 Safe and Secure Facilities and Transportation

Our first priority is to be able to respond effectively to the emergency situations as they arise ~Anthony Williams

# **ACTION PLAN – Emergency and Situational Preparedness**

6.1

Assigned to: Coordinator, Safety & Transportation

<u>Strategy 6:</u> Enhance school facilities and transportation by continuously improving safety and security.

## **# ACTION STEP**

		21-22	22-23	23-24	24-25
1	Conduct annual emergency preparedness training for all staff; conduct periodic training specific to needs or as best practices evolve	X	X	X	X
2	Continue to work with the Transportation Safety Administration to coordinate training specific to the needs of Transportation Staff	X	X	X	X

- Training logs
- Training agendas
- Emergency drill logs
- Shelter training and agreements
- CIRT Manual
- Bus Driver Manual

Assigned to: Coordinator, Safety & Transportation

<u>Strategy 6:</u> Enhance school facilities and transportation by continuously improving safety and security.

Action	Cost Factor	Cost Factor New Cost		
Step #			Source	
1	Training for all staff, printing of CIRT Manuals and instructional supplies	\$1,500	Safe School Funds	
2	Training specific to transportation, printing and supplies	\$500	Safe School Funds	

# ACTION PLAN - Safe and Secure Facilities and Transportation

6.2

Assigned to: Coordinator, Safety & Transportation

# <u>Strategy 6:</u> Enhance school facilities and transportation by continuously improving safety and security.

#### **# ACTION STEP**

		21-22	22-23	23-24	24-25
1	Ensure a School Resource Officer (SRO) is on every campus through contractual agreement with the Board of County Commissioners and Sheriff's Office	X	X	X	X
2	Maintain our pilot guardian program to supplement the services of our SRO's	X	X	X	X
3	Use the Florida Safe School Assessment Tool (FSSAT) to evaluate and update the physical security needs of all facilities in conjunction with stakeholders and community partners	X	X	X	X
4	Implement an electronic access control system at all facilities as outlined in our FSSAT evaluation. This would allow us to optimize key control, improve emergency access, and reduce future costs following a multi-year implementation.	X	X	X	X

- Florida Safe School Assessment Tool
- School Safety Committee Notes
- SRO agreements
- Bus drill logs
- Guardian policies
- Fire inspections
- Facilities work orders
- Bus Inspections
- Plant manager reviews

COST ANALYSIS 6.2

Assigned to: Coordinator, Safety & Transportation

<u>Strategy 6:</u> Enhance school facilities and transportation by continuously improving safety and security.

Action Step #	Cost Factor	New Cost	Funding Source
1	Average annual SRO Costs for district	\$350,000	Safe School Funds
2	Guardian training and equipment  **If guardian training is no longer funded by DOE***	\$16,000	Safe School Funds
4	Electronic Access Control System	\$200,000	School Hardening Grant / Capital Funds

# Strategy 7

# Recruit and retain highly effective teachers

# Performance Indicator

Decrease teacher vacancies and increase teacher retention rate

# **Theory of Action**

By ensuring schools are equipped with highly effective teachers, students will receive quality instruction to prepare them to enroll in post-secondary school, enlist in the military, or become employed in the workforce.

# **Action Plans**

- 7.1 Recruitment
- 7.2 Retention

#### **ACTION PLAN - Recruitment**

7.1

Assigned to: Director, Professional Accountability

Strategy 7: Recruit and retain highly effective teachers

# **# ACTION STEP**

		21-22	22-23	23-24	24-25
1	Participate in college and university career fairs	X	X	X	X
2	Recruit at the Florida Teach-in annually	X	X	X	X
3	Revise marketing materials	X	X	X	X
4	Utilize Digital and Social Media to recruit potential educators	X	X	X	X
5	Explore virtual options to interview candidates outside the area	X	X	X	X
6	Host Employment Fair and Informational Session for prospective employees		X	X	X

- Career fair agendas
- Brochures
- Social Media ads
- Participation/contact logs
- Number of applicants
- Unfilled vacancies

# **COST ANALYSIS - Recruitment**

7.1

Assigned to: Director, Professional Accountability

# Strategy 7: Recruit and retain highly effective teachers

Action	Cost Factor	New Cost	Funding
Step #			Source
1	Registration and travel	\$2,500.00	Title II
2	Registration and travel	\$800.00	Title II
3	Revise marketing materials	\$1,000.00	Title II
5	Employment Fair and Informational Session materials (22-23)	\$1,000.00	Title II

#### **ACTION PLAN - Retention**

7.2

Assigned to: Director, Professional Accountability

Strategy 7: Recruit and retain highly effective teachers

# # ACTION STEP

		21-2	22	22-23	23-24	24-25
1	Provide weekly meetings to support Professional	X		X	X	X
	Development Certification Program (PDCP)					
	participants					
2	Offer quarterly meetings for all beginning	X		$\mathbf{X}$	X	X
	teachers and mentors at each school site					
3	Update New Teacher Induction week annually	X		X	X	X
	based on district and state needs and participant					
	feedback					
4	Administer electronic survey to all participants	X		$\mathbf{X}$	$\mathbf{X}$	X
	upon their completion of Sumter's New Teacher					
	Induction Program					
5	Update the electronic handbook for all	X		$\mathbf{X}$	X	X
	participants					
6	Provide training to assist teachers to meet all	X		X	X	X
	certification requirements					

- Retention Rate
- PDCP Completions
- PEC Completions
- Agendas
- Survey results
- Handbook
- Training logs

# **COST ANALYSIS - Retention**

7.2

Assigned to: Director, Professional Accountability

Strategy 7: Recruit and retain highly effective teachers

Action	Cost Factor	New Cost	Funding
Step #			Source
6	Certification Test Prep Training	\$4,500.00	Title II

# Strategy 8

Foster a professional environment of growth and learning for all educational personnel

# Performance Indicator

Provide professional development opportunities for all staff

# **Theory of Action**

If we focus on exemplary instructional practice, relevant professional development and leadership training, then academic achievement will improve for all students.

# **Action Plans**

- 8.1 Non-Instructional Professional Development (PD)
- 8.2 District-wide Professional Learning Communities (PLC's)
- 8.3 Leadership Development

#### ACTION PLAN - Non-Instructional PD

Assigned to: Director, Professional Accountability

Strategy 8: Foster a professional environment of growth and learning for all educational personnel

## **# ACTION STEP**

		21-22	22-23	23-24	24-25
1	Create a schedule of learning opportunities on	X	X	X	X
	early release days for paraprofessionals				
2	Offer flexible training for support staff related to	X	X	X	X
	their working environment (bus, cafeteria, etc.)				
3	Partner with St. Leo University to provide the Para	X	X	X	X
	to Pro Program				

- Offerings for all staff
- Program participants

# COST ANALYSIS – Non-Instructional PD

8.1

Assigned to: Director, Professional Accountability

# <u>Strategy 8:</u> Foster a professional environment of growth and learning for all educational personnel

Action	Cost Factor	New Cost	Funding
Step#			Source
1-2	Employee stipends and consultant fees for professional development	\$6,000	Tile I, Title II and IDEA
3	Substitutes to cover internships	\$9,000	General Fund

#### ACTION PLAN - District-Wide PLC's

8.2

Assigned to: Director, Professional Accountability

# <u>Strategy 8:</u> Foster a professional environment of growth and learning for all educational personnel

## **# ACTION STEP**

		21-22	22-23	23-24	24-25
1	All sites trained on how to effectively provide Ed	X	X	X	X
	Camps				
2	Provide a district wide Ed Camp with presenters			X	X
	from each campus				

- Number of Ed Camps
- Program participants
- Teacher feedback forms

# COST ANALYSIS – District-Wide PLC's

8.2

Assigned to: Director, Professional Accountability

# <u>Strategy 8:</u> Foster a professional environment of growth and learning for all educational personnel

Action	Cost Factor	New Cost	Funding
Step #			Source
2	Consultants and travel cost to provide a district wide Ed Camp (23-24)	\$6,000	Title II

# **ACTION PLAN-** Leadership Development

8.3

# Assigned to: Director, Professional Accountability

# <u>Strategy 8:</u> Foster a professional environment of growth and learning for all educational personnel

#### **# ACTION STEP**

			21-22	22-23	23-24	24-25
1	Offer professional learning opportunities to		X	X	X	X
	enhance leadership skills for teacher leaders					
2	Utilize tools for identification purposes, such		X	X	X	X
	as: Strengths Finder, Gallup instruments, etc.					
3	Offer training to new grade level/department		X	X	X	X
	chairs on how to effectively lead their areas					
4	Provide alternative certification to Educational		X	X	X	X
	Leadership for aspiring administrators (Level I					
	Program)					
5	Provide training program leading to Level II	•	X	X	X	X
	Principal Certification					

- Number of Level I Completers
- Number of Level II Completers
- Professional Development Offerings

# COST ANALYSIS - Leadership Development

8.3

Assigned to: Director, Professional Accountability

<u>Strategy 8:</u> Foster a professional environment of growth and learning for all educational personnel

Action	Cost Factor	New Cost	Funding
Step #			Source
1-2	Employee stipends, consultant fees, registration fees, and substitute cost for professional development	\$15,000	Title II and General