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SMART Goals

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Fostering Academic Excellence for All Data, Curriculum & Instruction, Signature Program	 Improve student mastery in core content areas (ELA, Math, SS, Science) Close the achievement gap w/ regular ed students & SWD students Foster a school culture that encourages student interest and active participation in STEAM Prepare & develop knowledgeable staff focused on quality teaching 	1a. Implement Lexile monitoring and CER Strategy in all classes. 1b. Use assessment data to provide targeted interventions for students who need additional support, ensuring that they receive the help they need to achieve mastery 2a. Strengthen planning time between general education teachers and SWD teachers 2b. Implement co-teaching strategies where special education and general education teachers work collaboratively in the same classroom to serve students with and without disabilities 3a. Organize STEAM-focused activities such as clubs, competitions, and fairs that represent real-world application for college and career readiness 3b. Provide opportunities for students to showcase their STEAM interdisciplinary projects and research to the school and community 4a. Provide ongoing professional development opportunities that are relevant and tailored to the needs of the teachers 4b. Ensure that feedback from evaluations is specific, actionable, and supportive, aimed at helping teachers improve their practice
Building a Culture of Student Support Whole Child & Intervention Personalized Learning	 Targeting supports for students who are struggling academically Cultivate an inclusive school culture that respects and values diversity and ensures safety for all students 	1a. Offer additional tutoring sessions: Lunch & Learns, before or after school, or during intervention time, focusing on subjects where students show weaknesses. 1b. Recognize and reward improvement and mastery to motivate students to continue working towards their goals 2a. Implement conflict resolution and mediation programs that teach students how to resolve disputes peacefully and respect others' points of view 2b. Offer workshops for parents that focus on diversity, equity, and inclusion, positive reinforcement, and provide them with strategies to support these initiatives at home

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Creating a System of School Support Partnering with Families and Communities	Strengthen partnerships with parents and the community to enhance educational support for students.	1a. Monthly newsletter communication, PTA/PTO, monthly parent workshops (virtual/in-person) w/ various topics 1b. Parent Liaison and Community Partnership Business Manager 1c. Use a variety of communication tools such as newsletters, school websites, social media platforms, and text messaging services to reach a wider audience. 1d. Encourage parents to join or form parent-teacher organizations which can serve as a powerful vehicle for discussion and decision-making.

STRATEGIC PLAN PRIORITY RANKING

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