

.....● Central Bucks School District Goals for 2014-2015

The Central Bucks Schools will provide all students with the academic and problem-solving skills essential for personal development, responsible citizenship, and life-long learning.

1. Strengthen the district's educational programs and services.

- Continue to emphasize the constructs of rigor, relevance, relationships, resiliency, and reflection throughout our curriculum, instructional practices, and assessments and continue to make connections with Educator/Principal Effectiveness.
- Establish consistent categorical grading practices across district-wide curricular departments and other measures of student proficiency for secondary students.
- Continue to embed principles of Growth Mindset in curriculum, instructional practice, and school culture.
- Implement the new elementary standards-based Progress Reporting System.
- Coordinate data driven writing assessment model, beginning in elementary and extending to secondary.
- Implement individualized service delivery models to maximize instructional time within general and special educational settings.

2. Improve the availability, use, and integration of technology throughout the district in both instructional and non-instructional areas.

- Continue the use of technology to improve efficiency of district operations, communication, management and security.
- Support curriculum and instruction initiatives relating to the use of technology (e.g. interactive projectors, tablets/iPads, teacher laptops, web-based learning environments).
- Continuously improve procedures and practices in the area of network security, high-availability of critical systems, and disaster recovery.

3. Promote positive relationships between our schools and community.

- Continue district-wide communication using electronic media.
- Utilize security systems and continue to coordinate response efforts with local municipalities.
- Identify public relations opportunities that highlight the strengths of district programs.
- Continue community relationships that support K-12 curriculum programs (Business Simulation, Visiting Authors, Kids Voting, etc.)

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- 4. Respond to the educational needs of school-aged children through plans designed to provide safe, productive, and flexible learning environments.**
 - Continue to implement the long range capital improvement plan to provide resources to the existing facilities.
 - Develop strategies and intervention models to help students cope with school related anxiety and stress.
 - Evaluate and update district security equipment and practices.
 - Maximize “Green Practices” to generate revenue, effectively manage our facilities, and practice environmental stewardship.
 - Continue our school building renovations at Holicong.

- 5. Strengthen the financial base of the district.**
 - Direct time and resources to assist with shaping legislative issues dealing with education.
 - Pursue ways to enhance revenues, improve efficiency, and reduce expenditures while maintaining quality programs.
 - Develop funding for long term building renovation needs without borrowing money and restructuring debt.
 - Plan for the transition, upon teacher contract settlement, into the Bucks/Montgomery healthcare consortium to reduce future costs and maintain our standard of benefits.
 - Implement the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act (PPACA) and evaluate the impact on future labor contracts (this is scheduled to start January 2015).
 - Research alternative (green [propane or natural gas]) fuel sources for district vehicles using potential state grants.
 - Develop more detailed five-year budget projections including costing out scenarios for contract negotiations.
 - Start the planning process to develop a new ten-year enrollment projection model.