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<u>Guiding Belief</u>: The WPS Learning Community will provide the personal and academic challenges and learning necessary to prepare students to perform their personal best in the real world in the future

Goal #1: Students will master foundational skills and knowledge at every level of their education

Objective: Increase achievement for all students through a standards-driven, rigorous curriculum with supports and differentiation for diverse learners

Actions	Person(s) Responsible	Indication of Success	Resources	Due Date
CURRICULUM 1. Examine, review and revise district homework policy including purpose and consistency of use to deliver the curriculum	 Asst. Supt. of Curriculum Curriculum Resource Teachers Curriculum Coordinators Dept. Chairs Teachers Administrators 	 Reviewed and/or revised policy Administrative regulation on use and implementation of the reviewed and/or revised policy 	Work time for ad hoc committee Examples and references from other districts utilizing a proficiency based/standards based learning model CABE examples	Begin in Spring of 2015 and ongoing as needed
CURRICULUM 2. Develop revised curricular scope and sequence and curricular units aligned to Common Core Standards using UbD model for LA and Mathematics K-12	 Asst Superintendent of Curriculum Curriculum Resource Teachers Curriculum Coordinators Dept. Chairs English, LA and Math Teacher workgroups Information Technology and Library Media Specialists 	 Curricular Units aligned to Common Core Standards Use of Curricular units used and observed regularly Increased student achievement as measured by internal and external assessments 	 PD in Common Core Standards Release time for work groups Planning time for Central Office staff Copying costs 	Ongoing development and revision
CURRICULUM 3. Develop revised curricular scope and sequence and distinct curricular units an "Understanding by Design" (UbD) model for World Language	 Asst Superintendent of Curriculum Curriculum Resource Teachers World Language Management Team Outside Consultants Information Technology and Library Media Specialists 	 Paced Curricular World Language Units at the elementary, middle and high school levels Curricular units used and observed regularly Increased achievement as measured by district assessments 	 Release time for work groups Planning time for Central Office staff 1.0 Subject Area Coordinator at MS 1.0 Dept. Chair at HS Purchase of Curricular Materials Outside Consultants Staff training in implementation of Curriculum 	 Ongoing Implemented Gr. 3-5 Fall 2013 Develop Grade 1-2 2015-2016; implement Fall 2016
CURRICULUM 4. Explore Heritage Language Program	 Curriculum Resource Teacher World Language Teachers World Language Management Team 	Revised curricula New higher level courses offered Report on Heritage Language Program Possibilitles	 Planning and release time New curricular materials Budget for purchase of seats in online or other rigorous courses 	Spring 2015 – report on heritage language program

CURRICULUM 5. Develop revised curricular scope and sequence and curricular units aligned to 4C Framework and Next Gen Science Standards using UbD model for Social Studies and Science	 Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum and Instruction Curriculum Resource Teachers Department Chairs Subject Area Coordinators Teacher Workgroups Science Management Team Social Studies Management Team 	 Curricular Units aligned to adopted Social Studies and Science standards Use of curricular units used and observed regularly Increased student achievement as measured by Internal and external assessments Increase time for science instruction at the elementary level Lab rotation at the elementary level 	 1.0 FTE Humanities Curriculum Teacher 1.0 FTE Science Curriculum Teacher Professional Development in Social Studies or Science Standards Professional Development in alignment to CT Core Standards Release time for work groups Planning time for Central Office staff 	Spring 2015 begin work Begin implementation Fall 2015 and ongoing
CURRICULUM 6. Establish a curriculum revision model and a schedule for 3 year curriculum revision cycles for all subject and courses	 Asst Superintendent of Curriculum Management Teams Consultation with Management Teams Curric. Resource Teachers Curriculum Coordinators Subject Area Coordinators Dept. Chairs Principals Teacher representatives 	 Finalized pacing calendars and curriculum units for each subject/course by the deadline set by the revision cycle Technology resources and 21st century skills articulated in every unit Observation of common pacing and common units across classrooms 	Release time for work groups	Develop during 2014-2015 with implementation 2015-2020 Encore Classes started in 2014-2015
INSTRUCTION 7. Create a plan for Professional Development in the use of instructional best practices to teach diverse learners through district professional development days, building days and self-directed opportunities	 Asst Superintendent of Curriculum District PD Committee PPS director Curriculum Resource Teachers Classroom Teachers Bilingual and ELL Teachers PPS staff PDEC Committee 	Observable use of differentiated instruction and small group instruction in all subject areas In-district expertise in research based effective teaching strategies (ETS) Embed CT Core Standards Professional Learning modules into all content areas with District CT Learning Module team members	 Staff PD in differentiated instruction District funded resources, materials, training and release time Increase Math Coaches to one per school Institute Literacy Coaches at each school 	Ongoing each year in alignment with district calendar of Professional Development
INSTRUCTION 8. Develop innovative plan for district instructional coaches using permanent subs paired with teacher coaches	Asst Supt of Curriculum Curriculum Resource Teachers Curriculum Coordinators	One math coach per each sister school and one for the middle schools One literacy coach per each sister school	 5.0 math coaches 4.0 literacy coaches 	 2 coaches in place for 2014-2015 (mathematics) 2 coaches 2015-2016 (literacy) 3 coaches 2016-2017 (mathematics) 2 coaches 2017-2018 (literacy)
EARLY INTERVENTION 9. Review and revise Tier 2 & 3 Intervention protocols in literacy and numeracy for use in regular education prior to referral for special education	 Asst Superintendent of Curriculum and PPS Director Intervention Management Team Curriculum Resource Teachers Principals Intervention Workgroups PPS Staff Intervention Facilitators 	 Well developed, research based protocols codified and used consistently across schools Consistent Progress monitoring procedures and schedules Appropriate special education identification of Learning Disability 	 Funds for program purchases Release time for work groups Writing time for central office staff Interventionists Training Outside consultants 	 Started August 2014; ongoing during 2014-2015 Yearly review of protocols 2015 and beyond

	intervention Management Team			
INSTRUCTION 10. Develop a yearly personalized teacher/parental support plan providing resources to address individual student needs	 Asst. Superintendent of Curriculum Teachers Curr. Coordinators Curr. Resource Teachers Principals All Staff IT Staff 	Bank of personalized resources to support learners based on need Increase in # of students making progress in intervention	Work time/release time for group to develop bank/marketplace of resources Assist with IT in creation of a database of resources	Begin to develop in Fall 2015 for pilot implementation during 2015-2016
CURRICULUM 11. Develop/Revise year long curriculum that provides personalization for all students in all content areas	 Asst Superintendent of Curriculum Curriculum Resource Teachers Curriculum Coordinators Dept. Chairs Teacher workgroups 	Increased student achievement as measured by internal and external assessments	Work time for curriculum writing groups Coaches to support personalization at the classroom level in implementation of the curriculum	Begin to develop in Fall 2015 and review and revisit in alignment with curriculum revision cycle

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Goal # 2: Students will be excellent communicators

Objective: Students will demonstrate excellence in 21st century skills

Actions	Person(s) Responsible	indication of Success	Resources	Due Date
WRITING/DISCOURSE 1. Create a comprehensive writing curriculum aligned with the National Common Core Standards with yearlong pacing	K-12 Writing and Discourse Curriculum Team: Asst Superintendent of Curriculum Curriculum Resource Teachers Dept. Chairs Teacher workgroups PPS staff STEP and INFOTECH support Community Partners	 Students will be actively engaged in writing across the curriculum Students will demonstrate excellence in multiple modes of writing across the curriculum Improved as measured by internal and external assessments Observable use of pacing and units of curriculum 	 Release time for work groups Planning time for Central Office staff Copying costs 	Fail 2015 and ongoing
Create an Action Team to develop a comprehensive and robust K-12 philosophy, approach and vertical articulation to Writing and Discourse	 Asst Supt for Curriculum Humanities Resource Teachers ELA Management Team 	 Writing philosophy and approach identified Training of teachers completed Staff articulates a K-12 understanding of excellence in writing and discourse Authentic writing opportunities seized upon and lively discourse evident in all schools 	 Planning and Release time Technical Assistance from Writing experts Training professionals PD time Instructional materials 	• June 2016
Create opportunities for students to write for authentic purposes across the curriculum and to showcase their work locally and beyond	K-12 Writing and Discourse Management Team: Principals Curriculum Resource Teachers Dept. Chairs Ciassroom teachers STEP and INFOTECH support Community Partners Innovation Team	 Students will be actively engaged in writing across the curriculum Students will demonstrate excellence in multiple modes of writing across the curriculum Improved as measured by internal and external assessments Observable interest and engagement in writing among students Increased visibility of student work and exemplars Collaboration with authentic audiences locally and beyond (school, district, 	Release time for work groups Planning time for Central Office staff Technology resources Time for school wide performance and showcase	• Fall 2015

		community and globally in web venues		
WORLD LANGUAGE 4. Develop a state of the art content—based World Language Model elementary, middle and high school students	 World Language Management Team Assistant Superintendent Principals World Lang teachers info tech and community support 	 Enthusiastic elementary World Language students Increased numbers of multilingual students Increased enrollment and successful completion and HS credit for World Language courses in middle schools Increased enrollment and successful completion of world language courses in High Schools 	 2.0 FTE Elem WL Teachers at K-2 4.0 FTE M.S. WL Teachers Curriculum Materials and Supplies Technology resources Time in school schedules 	• Fail 2016
FINE and UNIFIED ARTS 5. Develop a state of the art model for Arts Education	 FINE ARTS Management Team Asst Superintendent of Curriculum Principals Arts & Music teachers Info tech and community support 	 Innovative Model for ARTS Education is adopted Identified opportunities for ARTS infusion identified Opportunities for students to communicate through the ARTs and to showcase their work locally and beyond 	Technology resources Time in school schedules	Work time in 2014-2015; implement 2016 and ongoing review

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Goal #3: Students will learn and develop their competencies for working independently and with others

Objective: Establish a Model of Student Work Habits that promote success

Actions	Person(s) Responsible	Indication of Success	Resources	Due Date
WORK HABITS For SUCCESS 1. Development of a District Rubric for work habits	Asst Superintendent of Curriculum Guidance Management Team	Use of District Rubric to assess developmentally appropriate work habits	 Management Team time Planning time as needed Staff PD in use of rubric 	June 2015 developed; implement Fall 2015 (alignment with revised competency based reporting)
WORK HABITS For SUCCESS 2. Develop a continuum of student reinforcements and recognition for work habits	Asst Superintendent of Curriculum Business Think Tank Representatives Guidance Management Team O Principals O School Counselors O PPS Staff O Gr. 6-12 Teachers O Info tech support	Established reinforcements, and recognitions for positive work habits in each school	Management Team time Planning time as needed Staff PD in use of reinforcements and recognitions	June 2016 following PBIS schedule schedule

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Goal # 4: Students will be highly prepared for their next challenge in school and in life

Objective: Develop a culture that promotes excellence, innovation, and continuous improvement

Actions	Person(s) Responsible	Indication of Success	Resources	Due Date
MODELS OF EXCELLENCE 1. Explore and select school models that promote excellence e.g. ✓ District Early Childhood Center/PreK Programming ✓ Full Day Kindergarten ✓ K-2 Learning Academies ✓ Middle School Project Based Learning Academies ✓ High School Applied Learning Academies ✓ Graduation Requirements ✓ Competency Based Assessment & Grading ✓ Exploration of High School Reform/Structure (i.e. Consolidation to improve programming, High School with a Magnet Focus) ✓ Maker Spaces ✓ Intervention ✓ Anytime Anyplace Learning for Credit/Competency attainment	Innovative School Models Committee Central Office and School Administrators Teachers and staff Info Tech expertise Students Early Childhood Committee	Selected models Implementation plan Finance Plan Professional Development plan Selected models Finance Plan	 Outside Consultants Community and Business Partnerships Innovative funding sources Grants College or University partnerships Technology resources Funding 	Progress started (Innovation Team 1 and Innovation Team 2 OngoingReport on progress June 2015
MODELS OF EXCELLENCE 2. Identify critical technology skills needed by students at the elementary, middle and high school levels and create a scope and	Technology Director Technology Management Team C.O and school administrators Teachers Business and Community	 Identified skills and knowledge Adopt district technology standards Identify points where skills should be embedded across the curriculum PD in critical technology skills 	 Planning time Outside consultants Community and Business Partnerships Funding for Technology 	June 2015 with professional development and curriculum integration 2015 and ongoing

sequence of skills explicitly taught and practiced	partners			
MODELS OF EXCELLENCE 3. Develop Endorsements and certification areas for students (i.e. expand medical, hospitality, audio/visual/technology media)	All Management Teams	Report to Superintendent on Management Team with recommendations, requirements and resources needed	 Planning time Post-secondary Partnerships Business Partnerships 	OngoingReport out on status June 2015

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Goal # 5: Students will explore and understand their own strengths, challenges, and interests and make connections between them and the real world of learning, work, and life Objective: Develop state of the art support services and curriculum for self-awareness, problem solving, decision-making, and planning

Actions	Person Responsible	Indication of Success	Resources	Due Date
PROACTIVE STUDENT SUPPORTS WITH A FUTURE FOCUS 1. Develop Individual Success Plans for all students in grade 6 and Grade 9	 Asst Superintendent for HR Guidance and PPS Chairs CTE Resource Teacher School Counseling Management O Principals O School Counselors O PPS Staff O Gr. 6-12 Teachers O Info tech support 	 Success plans established for all grade 6 and 9 students Observable student and parent involvement in Success Plans Increased student achievement as measured by internal and external assessments 	 Purchase of technology resources PD in student plans and other components of Secondary School Reform Work Group release and planning time Staff training Parent and student training in Success Plans 	• Fall 2015
PROACTIVE STUDENT SUPPORTS WITH A FUTURE FOCUS 2. Create CAPSTONE project guidelines aligned with graduation requirements for academic, civic, and social expectations	 Asst. Superintendent -HR CTE Resource Teacher Career Center Coordinator School Counseling Management Team Principals School Counselors PPS Staff & Gr. 6-12 Teachers Innovation Team 	CAPSTONE Guidelines Document	Purchase of technology resources Work Group release and planning time Staff training Parent and student training	 Started Spring 2015 Pilot Fall 2015

3. Create a 'Mini-Capstone" menu for Grade 8 students.	 Asst. Superintendent -HR CTE Resource Teacher Career Center Coordinator Guidance Management Team MS Principals MS School Counselors MS PPS Staff & Teachers Innovation Team 	Mini-Capstone Menu and Plans for Implementation	 Work Group release and planning time Staff training Parent and student training Advisory Schedule 	● Fall 2015
4. Create specialized college or career transition plans for ELL Students who have arrived in U.S. during High Schools O Provide supports for navigating institutional processes and work expectations in U.S. O Adult Education connections	 Adult Education Director Adult Ed Guidance Counselor ELL-Bilingual Intervention Facilitator HS ELL and Content Teachers HS Administrators Career Ctr. Coordinator 	transition plans for ELL students ELL Audit Results	 Work Group release and planning time Staff training Parent and student training 	ELL Audit 2014-2015 Development of Plan during 2014-2015 for implementation Fall 2015
PROACTIVE STUDENT SUPPORTS WITH A FUTURE FOCUS 5. Research state of the art guidance model and perform a gap analysis between existing guidance and PPS services and those of a state of the art guidance model	 Asst. Superintendent- HR Director of PPS CTE Resource Teacher School Counseling Management Team Principals School Counselors PPS Staff & Teachers 	Gap analysis between existing guidance and PPS services and those of a state of the art guidance model	 Work Group release and planning time 	 Started Action Plan 2014 Implementation of Action Plan Fall 2015
PROACTIVE STUDENT SUPPORTS WITH A FUTURE FOCUS 6. Select a state of the art Guidance and Counseling Model for all students in Grades 6-12	 Asst. Superintendent -HR Director of PPS CTE Resource Teacher Guidance Management Team O Principals 	Selected model Implementation Plan	 Planning and Professional Development for Guidance and PPS staff 	 Started Action Plan 2014 Implementation of Action Plan Fall 2015
PROACTIVE STUDENT SUPPORTS WITH A FUTURE FOCUS 7. Continue PreK-5	Asst. Superintendent for Curriculum K-5 Administrators Teachers	Results of students in need of social/emotional intervention will decrease from benchmark assessment measures each year	 Responsive Classroom consultant Release time for teachers and teams 	Started in 2014 and will be ongoing

development of best	 Director of PPS 	as evidenced by DESSA	 DESSA screening tools 	•
practices to promote		screening tool]	
social/emotional		 Decrease in referrals for 		
development of		behavior across all schools		
students through the				
use of Responsive		1	1	
Classroom approach	_			