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# Norwich Regional Adult Education 2022-2023 School Improvement Plan

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District Vision, Mission and Goals

**VISION** 

All Norwich Public Schools children will reach their full potential.

**MISSION** 

The Norwich Public Schools will provide each student a rigorous, effective teaching and learning environment where equity is the norm, excellence is the goal, and student health and safety is assured.

#### **BOARD OF EDUCATION GOALS**

The Board of Education believes that the ultimate goal of an education in the district schools should be to prepare each student for a world of rapid change and unforeseeable demands, while retaining the basic values and democratic principles of the American culture. Further, the district has outlined below student learning goals for our students and professional learning goals for us all as members of our educational community.

#### STUDENT LEARNING GOALS

All Norwich Public Schools students will be challenged to develop, embrace and attain learning goals that encapsulate the following essential elements as a means to prepare them to be independent thinkers and collaborative team players invested in building a better future.

**Inquiry:** Students show intellectual curiosity and wonder about the world. Students ask thoughtful questions, and seek out answers.

**Expression:** Students communicate what they know and what they need to know. Students construct arguments with evidence and critique the reasoning of others.

**Critical Thinking:** Students analyze, synthesize, and draw conclusions from information. Students generate solutions to problems using both creative and critical thought. Students keep an open mind to different viewpoints.

**Collaboration:** Students contribute to the overall effort of the group. Students work well with diverse individuals in various situations. Students initiate and cultivate community partnerships.

**Organization:** Students sift through ideas and data, arranging them wisely and make sense of them. Students set manageable goals, plan, and monitor time to achieve them.

**Attentiveness:** Students focus on the task at hand and focus on details of their work.

Perseverance: Students demonstrate tenacity in tackling tasks despite difficulty or delay in achieving success.

**Reflection:** Students review and think about their actions and work with the purpose of learning more about themselves.

#### PROFESSIONAL LEARNING GOALS

As a professional learning community teachers and administrators will ask thoughtful questions to analyze and draw conclusions while remaining curious about diverse student needs. The learning community fosters high expectations, effective communication, strong relationships and ownership of learning through engaged collaboration and inquiry.

**Inquiry:** We observe and are curious about our students and their interests. We value quantitative and qualitative data, ask <u>hard</u> questions and collectively create solutions. We are in a constant state of inquiry about our own practice as educators modeling lifelong learning.

**Expression:** We communicate our professional learning needs as they relate to district goals and as part of creating a structure of support for our development of a unified mindset.

**Critical Thinking:** We analyze, synthesize, and draw conclusions from multiple sources; utilizing this data to generate solutions to problems, rooted in best practice, through both creative and critical thought.

**Collaboration:** We contribute to the overall effort of the group working well with diverse individuals in various situations. We initiate and cultivate partnerships between and amongst buildings and departments and the greater Norwich community.

Attentiveness: We stay focused on the task at hand and on the details of our work while keeping clear of the greater district goals.

**Perseverance:** We demonstrate, and model for our students, tenacity in tackling tasks despite difficulty or delay in achieving success, and recognizing the learning opportunities inherent in mistakes and the value of taking risks.

**Reflection:** We review and think about our actions and work with the purpose of learning more about ourselves.

Reference: Board Policy 000 Purposes-Goals-Objectives

#### **Norwich Regional Adult Education**

#### **Mission Statement**

Norwich Regional Adult Education is dedicated to the service and growth of each student. Our mission is to engage, educate, and empower our community of adult learners by advancing literacy and numeracy skills as well as employability skills to achieve a better quality of life.

#### School Leadership Team Members:

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#### **Focus Area 1:** Student Recruitment

<u>Theory of Action:</u> If we increase access to programs, expand marketing and community partnerships, and increase program offerings, then more students will be recruited, resulting in increased student enrollment across all programs.

Strategy 1: Increase Access to Programs	Baseline Data end of year 21-22 data	Performance Measure/Outcome	Progress Next Steps 10/24/22	Due Date/ Persons Responsible	Evidence of Suc
Action Steps/Activities: Enhance/expand program offerings to include additional offerings at existing sites  Utilize Language Line and the new LACES Messenger feature as communication tools for prospective and enrolled ESL students (replacing Kinvo)  Utilize Social Media including website, FB, Twitter, Instagram, LinkedIn, and multi-language Public Service Announcements  Track referral sources at registration to monitor where and how students hear about our programs	Student total of all programs was 286 students; (923 enrollments)  ABE/ GED total 40 students (72 enrollments)  CDP total 64 students (569 enrollments)  Citizenship total 6 students (6 enrollments)  ESL student total 172 (268 enrollments)  NEDP total 4 students	End-of-year data from LACES Profile report for 2023 by program	Continue marketing efforts, ongoing registration and other recruitment practices.  Continue use of social media to promote events at NRAE.	SIP Program Facilitator Marketing Media Specialist Program Leaders Site Supervisors Director of Adult Ed	Increased student total in all programs overall as measured by data from LACES (students with more than 12 hours) by 20% of students (from 286 to 343) per LACES Profile Report FY 2023.

	(8 enrollments)				
	Baseline Data	Performance	Progress	Due Date/	Evidence of Su
Strategy 2: Increase targeted marketing	FY 2022	Measure/Outcome	Next Steps	Persons	
			10/24/22	Responsible	
Action Steps/Activities:  Create and mail newly-designed multi-page Adult	Returning students FY 2022- 144	Evidenced by completion of	Target potential students for CDP	6/30/23	FY 2023 Program profile will show increases:
Education brochures to all postal residents in the 12 cooperating districts.  Contact prior students through LACES Messenger, email,	New students recruited FY 2022 -142	KINVO responses, growth in social media pages and increased	about the upcoming registration period using	Marketing /Social Media Specialist	Returning student increase to 158
Remind app, phone, social media, mailings, and digital avenues to encourage reenrollment		End-of-year enrollment data from LACES	LACES.  Continue use of	Career Developer School Counselors	New students incr to 156
Publicize offerings on social media and district website Include student successes in marketing efforts to encourage engagement		Profile report for 2023 by program	Facebook, Instagram, Linkedin and Twitter to	Program Leaders	
Expand use of social media and multi-language PSAs Track referral sources at registration to monitor effectiveness.			promote classes, programs and events at NRAE.	Site Supervisors  Director of Adult Ed.	
Strategy 3: Increase Community Partnerships	Baseline Data	Performance	Progress	Due Date/	Evidence of Su
		Measure/Outcome	Next Steps 10/24/22	Persons Responsible	
Action Steps/Activities:		Increased partnerships and	Partnered with LEAD to offer	6/30/23	5 new community partners
Provide weekly representation at American Job Center for recruiting purposes.	38 partners (see attached list p.14-22)	growth of community partners on Advisory Board	ESL classes.  Partnered with	Adult Education Director	Additional data th supports activities
Provide promotional materials for all programs at neighborhood cultural events	p.11 22)	on ravisory Board	Reliance Health to offer	Program	supports detivities

Outreach to preschool and elementary schools, including sending flyers home to all students regarding Families		ABE/GED.	Facilitator	
Learning English/Family Literacy program		Renewed	Program Leaders	
Continue partnerships with the Education Committee of		partnership with Lebanon Pines to	Career Developer	
the Norwich Chamber of Commerce and Eastern Chamber of Commerce xand with NPS MLL Director and with		offer ABE/GED		
Family Engagement Liaisons		classes.		
Establish relationship with LEAD/Mosaic and other community agencies		October		
Utilize Advisory Board as a source for new connections,		Advisory Board meeting to 'find'		
ideas, and outreach		new connections.		
Establish reciprocal website links with participating		Invite Liz S. to		
school districts and community partners		the next meeting to review current		
		media practices.		

#### Focus Area 2: Increase student retention/engagement in all programs

**Theory of Action:** If we incentivize instructional opportunities for students, then students will have more motivation to attend and succeed, resulting in more students completing their program of study.

Strategy 1: Equity and School Climate	Baseline Data	Performance	Progress	<b>Due Date/</b>	Evidence of
	FY 2022	Measure/Outco	Next Steps	Persons	Success
		me	10/24/22	Responsible	

Continue to support and empower our very diverse community of learners  Develop and implement a climate survey that includes an equity lens focus  Offer credential programs to eligible ESL students through a Program Enhancement (PEP) grant  Offer on-site referral services for all students through partnership with UCFS  Offer case management services to students help to address barriers to student attendance/completion	data FY22: 179 female 107 male  35 Asian-American 96 Black/African American 92 Hispanic/Latino 3 reporting 2 or more races 59 white  New Climate/Equity Survey to be used for baseline data in November (in development at NRAED)	Record of PDs focused on equity  Performance	equity/climate survey-adjust for ESL/other programs and administer in November  Recruit for CNA program (Screening to be completed prior to 11/15 start)  Continue semi-monthly UCFS case management offerings  Continue to offer on-site case management services to address student participation/attendance barrier	PDEC committee Teachers Support Staff	diversity as documented in demographic data for FY22 by 15%  Determine percentage of positive responses to new Climate/Equity Survey and use as baseline data for future goal setting/study.  credential programs offered: Manufacturing, CNA, National Retail Foundation (Customer Service)
Strategy 2: Student engagement	FY 2022	Measure/Outco me	Next Steps 10/24/22	Persons Responsible	Success

#### **Focus Area 3:** Implementation of College and Career Readiness Standards

<u>Theory of Action:</u> If our instruction uses the College and Career Readiness Standards as a foundation, then our students will show learning gains across all programs, including ESOL, NEDP, ABE, GED, and CDP.

Strategy: Professional Development	Baseline Data	Performance	Progress	Due Date/	Evidence of
		Measure/Outco	Next Steps	Persons	Success
		me	10/24/22	Responsible	
Action Steps/Activities:  PLCs will focus on professional learning regarding utilizing TopsPro reports and College and Career Readiness Standards (CCRS) aligned resources to inform instruction and integrate the standards into curriculum and instruction  All new ESOL teachers will complete English Language Proficiency training  All new CDP, ABE, and GED teachers will complete CCRS ELA or Math 101 and 102 series trainings	Diplomas for CDP-17 Diplomas for GED- 7  CDP/ABE/GED / NEDP: EFL gain GOALS Reading 48%  EFL gain GOALS Math 36%  ESL:	Running agendas from PLC/staff meetings for all programs  Records of PD focused on CASAS score reports and CCRS	_	Responsible  6/30/23  Data team  Program leaders  All teachers  Director of Adult Ed.	8% increase in learning gains and/or Measurable Skills Gains (MSGs) and Educational Functioning Levels (EFLs)
	EFL gain Life				
	and Work				
	Reading 49%				

#### Focus Area 4: Increase Learning Gains and Secondary Completion

<u>Theory of Action:</u> If we teach academic and employability skills with embedded digital literacy, then students will increase academic learning gains across all programs, resulting in increased readiness for post-secondary education and/or training.

Strategy: Professional Development	Baseline Data FY 2022	Performance Measure/Outco me	Progress Next Steps 10/24/22	Due Date/ Persons Responsible	Evidence of Success
Action Steps/Activities:  Provide Professional Development that focuses on achieving CASAS gains  All teachers will have a T-EVAL goal of increasing CASAS scores and Educational/Functioning Level (EFL) MSG level gains  Provide further teacher training on interpreting TOPS Pro reports to guide instruction  Provide further training on data-driven instruction leading to Measurable Skills Gains  Expand use of data through monthly review by new Data Team consisting of program leaders and/or teachers across programs	Diplomas for CDP-17 Diplomas for GED- 7  CDP/ABE/GED/ NEDP: EFL gain GOALS Reading 48%  EFL gain GOALS Math 36%  ESL: EFL gain Life and Work Reading 49%	End-of-year data from LACES  Profile Report for 2023	Provide first round of testing for students with more than 40 hours of attendance.  Continue to address attendance barriers to maximize gains in test outcomes.  Continue evaluation of reports with an emphasis on analysis of MSGs, recruitment and attendance.	6/30/23  Program Leaders  Program Facilitator  Director	8% increase in learning gains and/or Measurable Skills Gains (MSGs) and Educational Functioning Levels (EFLs)

#### **Community Partner Activities, Roles and Responsibilities**

- Participates in twice-yearly advisory meeting
- Provides and shares social media announcements
- Partner for student activities in the communities
- Assist with employment
- Assist with post-secondary transition activities
- Assist with funding opportunities
- Provide general service/support

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