

SUWANNEE COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT

STRATEGIC PLAN

2016 - 2020

~ EXPECT EXCELLENCE ~

Mission: Suwannee County Schools will educate all students in a safe and supportive learning environment that will develop life-long learners and productive citizens.

Vision: Suwannee County School District will be a system of excellence ensuring all students are prepared for personal success.

Goal 1: Suwannee County School District will increase the academic achievement of all students.

Quality Instruction

- Provide differentiated instruction to engage and challenge students of diverse backgrounds and abilities.
- Increase use of high-yield academic strategies that lead to effective and relevant standards based instruction.
- Continue to cultivate and sustain a Human Capital Management System (HCMS) to provide for district-wide success. (Including recruitment, retention, and professional development)

Aligned Curriculum and Assessment

- Ensure that all resources are relevant and aligned to the Florida Standards in order to best support student learning.
- Continue to support the use of an instructional framework that encourages the use of curriculum maps, as well as vertical and horizontal alignment from one grade level to the next.
- Implement and support the use of assessments aligned to the standards in all grade levels and all subject areas. (Formative and Summative)

High Achievement

- Involve families and the community in establishing a culture that is collaborative, transparent, and student-centric.
- Assist in the creation and implementation of comprehensive School Improvement Plans which are aligned to the district's strategic plan and support sustained school improvement.
- Ensure that all district academic goals/targets are set to move the district to one of the top districts of high performing students in the state.

Goal 2: Suwannee County School District will ensure that learning and working environments are supportive, safe, and secure.

Early Warning Systems (EWS)

- Create and implement a plan to improve early identification and targeted response to EWS indicators.
- Review and refine the intervention supports in place for students determined to be at-risk, developing additional at-risk programming to provide early intervention support as needs are identified.

School Health and Safety

- Review and update district-wide emergency response plans for all schools, with increased focus on proactive prevention.
- Monitor and celebrate safety in the workplace.
- Encourage employee participation in the District-wide wellness program.

Student Support

- Implement and monitor a district-wide Positive Behavior Support plan.
- Revise school and district climate surveys and increase access to them in order to ensure improved customer service delivery.
- Encourage and increase family and community participation in school-related activities and events.

Goal 3: Suwannee County School District will maximize access to technology for all stakeholders.

Digital Classrooms

- Provide more opportunities for academic interaction with technology.
- Provide training for teachers on strategies for acceptable and responsible use of technology.
- Reduce the student to device ratio in all schools.

Communication Tool

- Continue the use of existing parent communication tools and consider new tools of communication.

Goal 4: Suwannee County School will ensure college, career, and life readiness for all students.

Opportunity

- Continue and strengthen options such as career academies, technical college dual enrollment options, and career/technical programs which meet the needs of all students.
- Continue and strengthen options such as advanced placement and college dual enrollment which meet the needs of all students.

Exploration/Career & College Decision Making

- Increase opportunities related to career and college planning that includes annual counseling and mentoring.