



Poughkeepsie City School District Mission

"We are champions of children who inspire and nurture the whole child by providing innovative, high-quality educational opportunities that prepare all students to embark on individual paths of success in a globally diverse community."

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Poughkeepsie City School District

The Poughkeepsie City School School Board and District leaders have made a substantial investment into the future of Poughkeepsie City School District students through the development and implementation of its 2020-2021 Strategic Plan.

Regular updates to the School Board and engaging all school stakeholders and critical partners are vital strategies that will be used to ensure success of each goal and performance objective.

Realizing that a plan serves as a "roadmap" for PCSD's journey to reach its destination of transforming the school district district leaders will monitor all aspects of the Strategic Plan and adjust our direction accordingly.

Performance Objectives are categorized under four goals:

- Student Achievement
- Resource Stewardship
- Internal Processes, Systems, & Structures
- Organizational Effectiveness





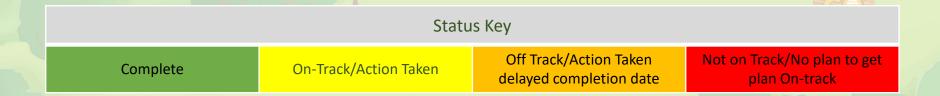
Poughkeepsie City School District

Purpose of Report

To update the Board of Education and the community on the progress being made on each of the four goals.

Organization of Report

This report is organized by each annual goal and accompanying performance objectives. Targets of each performance objective are also provided and the designated Quarter 2 status that reflects the action toward achieving the target.





Poughkeepsie City School District 2020 – 2021 Strategy Map

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Goal and Performance Objectives

Receivership School meets its demonstrable improvement

Increase the 4 – year Cohort graduation rate for student with

Increase the 4 – year Cohort graduation rates for ENL by

Increase the number of students proficient in ELA (Scoring 3

Increase the number of students proficient in Math (Scoring 3

Establish a plan for the provision of greater supports for

English Language Learner students using Commissioner

or 4) Grades 3 – 8 NY State Assessments to

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Regulations Part 154 as guidance

Increase the 4 -year Cohort graduation rate by

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indicators

exceptionalities by

Goal 1: Student Achievement – PCSD will accelerate the academic performance of all students.								
Strategy Map Focus Area	Performance Objective	Prior Year(s)	Target 2020-2021	Quarter 2 Status	Notes			
1.1	Increase the number of NYSED Accountability Rated "Good Standing" PCSD schools	1	3	On-Track	The Assistant Superintendent of Elementary Education continues to work closely with PCSD building leadership to			
					ensure that schools are working toward meeting ESSA indicators			

10/12

2 Pending

60%

28%

17%

22%

(2019)

16%

(2019)

12/12

2%

5%

5%

25%

20%

Spring 2021

On-Track

On-Track

On-Track

On-Track

On-Track

On-Track

On-Track

continues to meet weekly with the Office of Innovation and School Reform to discuss strategies and progress for Morse. PHS Principal continues to lead PHS staff in implementing

secondary school counselors, principals, assistant principals

• The analysis of the SPED program has commenced with the

review of patterns of graduation and credentials and the

• ENL staff, psychologists, speech and language pathologists have

• PHS Principal continues to lead PHS staff in implementing

been engaged to better and more accurately identify

• The Office of Elementary Education is creating a Teacher on Special Assignment position to support the ENL program. • The Assistant Superintendent of Elementary Education has

been regularly meeting with NYSED staff and PCSD building

• Secured and implemented the myOn instructional resource as

ENL staff, psychologists, speech and language pathologists have

leadership to ensure that schools are working increasing

a tool for tracking student literacy and reading level. • Introduced a new ELA curriculum to the Curriculum Committee. • Draft plan has been developed. Title III funding approval

been engaged to better and more accurately identify

• TOSA position to be posted to hire staff to support plan

• The Assistant Superintendent of Elementary Education

• Graduation Pathways training has been provided to all

• The Executive Director of the Office of Students with Exceptionalities is exploring adding CDOS option.

strategies to increase graduation rates.

identification of program trends.

meaningful interventions.

student proficiency.

meaningful interventions.

implementation.

obtained.

strategies to increase graduation rates.

and other staff.

Develop Grade Level Expectations, PreK – 8 – outlining what Off-Track • In final stages of development. 1.1 students should know and be able to do by the end of that w/new target completion Fall 2020 • Will be presented to the BOE on April 27, 2021. grade level and present to Board date • Framework of Technology Plan created with Spring 2021 targeted completion. Develop an Instructional Technology Plan that outlines the Off-Track • Technology Committee convened to complete. integration of technology into the instructional program, the 1.1. N/A • 2.000 Chromebooks have been distributed to students. Fall 2020 w/new target completion provision of professional development to instructional staff and the • Teacher devices secured and partially distributed date distribution of 1:1 devices. • Instructional technology resources secured (Zlearn, Sora,

Fall 2020

30 different

activities

N/A

15 different

activities

Launch Saturday Morning Lights Initiative for middle and high

Double the number of academic, social, emotional, and wellness

activities for children and parents in Saturday Morning Lights and

1.2

1.2

school students

Summer programs

myOn, Screencastify,)

2021.

• Middle and High School SML start date slated for February 27,

Program Offerings have increased to 21 to-date.

Off-Track

w/new target completion

date

On-Track

Goal 1: Student Achievement – PCSD will accelerate the academic performance of all students.

Strategy Map Focus Area	Performance Objective	Prior Year(s)	Target 2020-2021	Quarter 2 Status	Notes
1.2	Launch Youth Empowerment Summit	N/A	Spring 2021	On-Track	 Youth Empowerment Summit In final stages of development. Youth Empowerment Summit slated for April 21, 2021.
1.2	Number of students in every PCSD school who have opportunities for off campus enrichment opportunities (field trips) increased by:	Data Not Available	Baseline	On-Track	 90 PMS students taking virtual classes with Uncharted Power. Elementary students taking virtual classes with IBM. PMS students (girls) enrolled in the Rose Program.
1.2	Increase the number of student talent showcased through district-wide events (Music and Art) to	5	15	On-Track	 Planning meeting held in December. District leadership is working on a virtual solution to accomplish this goal.
1.2	Increase the number of online instructional and social emotional resources to	1	15	Goal Achieved and Exceeded	 To-date 20 online instructional and social emotional resources are posted. Ten (10) additional resources per month will be added.
	Students read books from school libraries:		Baseline	On-Track	 To date, more than 4,125 books have been read using myon, equating to more than 1589 hours of reading.
1.2	- 40 on average (Elementary) - 6 on average (Secondary)	Data Not Available	Baseline	On-Track	 Students at both the elementary and secondary levels are progressing toward achieving goals. District is developing a plan to capture the number of books students are reading through SORA, SML and school libraries.
1.2	Increase the number of students participating in extended learning programming by	997	20%	On-Track w/ modifications	 Given complications associated with COVID-19 this performance objective has been reimagined. Extended learning opportunities are being provided to students during SML. Extended learning opportunities are being planned for students during Summer months.
1.2	Establish Superintendent's Student Advisory Committee – quarterly meeting with students to discuss the student experience, problem solve, and receive feedback from students regarding the district's service and support to them	-	4	On-Track	 Two meetings have been held. Three additional meetings have been scheduled for the second part of the academic year.
1.3	Decrease the number of students with 15 or more (Chronic) cumulative absences decreases by	1,293	10%	On-Track	 The district/schools have been working to connect disengaged students via the following activity: Attendance Improvement Plan Home visits Case management Parent Workshops
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Goal 1: Student Achievement – PCSD will accelerate the academic performance of all students.

Strategy Map Focus Area	Performance Objective	Prior Year(s)	Target 2020-2021	Quarter 2 Status	Notes
1.3	Student attendance (ADA) increases by #% in the aggregate year to year	Data being compiled	3%	On-Track	 The district/schools have been working to connect disengaged students via the following acitivty. Attendance Improvement Plan Home visits Case management Parent Workshops
1.3	Short-term suspensions (district-wide) are reduced	528	10%	On-Track	All OSE coordinators and school psychologist have been trained on student discipline and associated regulatory The All OSE coordinators and school psychologist have been trained on student discipline and associated regulatory. The All OSE coordinators and school psychologist have been trained on student discipline and associated regulatory.
1.3	Long-term suspensions (district-wide) are reduced	79	10%	On-Track	 requirements inclusive of FBA/BIPS, and manifestation determination. PCSD is reactivating its use of a RTI model to capture student intervention and supports. Root Causes analysis has been conducted to help inform the CCEIS plan and implementation for 21-22.
1.3	Establish a protocol to administer the Youth Risk Behavior Surveillance System (YRBSS) for the 21-22 academic year.	-	May 2021	On-Track	 YRBSS survey has been completed and additional questions were created after PCSD Wellness committee review and feedback. On-track to meet May 2021 target.
1.4	Establish a district-wide Teacher Resource Center	-	October 2020	Goal Achieved	Grand Opening of Center took place October 28, 2020.
1.4	Develop a targeted professional development plan for teachers and implement	-	October 2020	On-Track	 Teachers are engaged in weekly PD either offered at the district level or school level. Monthly PD calendars are distributed monthly. Bi-weekly meetings are taking place to outline a broader
1.4	Percentage of teachers who agreed that the training they received was relevant to their professions	-	90%	On-Track	21-22 PD plan for teachers.Surveys have been completed and data is collected from staff.
1.4	Develop a targeted professional development plan for building leaders and implement	-	October 2020	On-Track	 The Assistant Superintendent of Elementary Education conducts weekly meetings with building leadership, which serves as a form of PD. Monthly Principal meetings have been established and
1.4	Percentage of building leaders who agreed that the training they received was relevant to their professions	-	90%	On-Track	 are occurring. Building leadership meetings have been scheduled for the entire year. Surveys have been completed and data is being collected.
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Goal and Performance Objectives							
Goal 1: Student Achievement – PCSD will accelerate the academic performance of all students.							
Strategy Map Focus Area	Performance Objective	Prior Year(s)	Target 2020-2021	Quarter 2 Status	Notes		
1.4	Develop a targeted professional development plan for Department Heads and implement	-	November 2020	On-Track	Department Heads have outlined PD needs.As external PD opportunities are available department		
1.4	Percentage of division heads who agreed that the training they received was relevant to their professions	-	90%	On-Track	heads are accessing.Surveys have been completed and data will be collected.		
1.4	Develop a targeted professional development plan for Cabinet Members and implement	-	January 2021	On-Track	Cabinet Members have outlined PD needs.As external PD opportunities are available cabinet		
1.4	Percentage of cabinet members who agreed that the training they received was relevant to their professions	-	90%	On-Track	members are accessing.Surveys have been completed and data will be collected.		
1.4	Develop a targeted professional development plan for staff and implement	-	January 2021	On-Track	 Targeted PD is being provided to various staff (Infinite campus training, Safety monitor training, Maintenance and 		
1.4	Percentage of staff who agreed that the training they received was relevant to their professions	-	90%	On-Track	Facility training, Central Registration training) • Surveys have been completed and data will be collected.		
1.5	Create a full-service Parent Empowerment Center and launch it	-	January 2021	Goal Achieved	 Soft Opening of the Parent Empowerment Center occurred January 17, 2021. Program and service offerings being organized and created. 		
1.5	Parent Empowerment Center Workshops have been developed and offered.	-	25	On-Track	 Significant work has taken place and agreements with CBOs are being solidified along with dates of workshops. Catalog currently under development. Currently 13 Workshops have been developed. 		
1.5	Develop a 3-Year Parent and Community Engagement Plan	-	January 2021	Goal Achieved	 Completed and being shared with community stakeholders for feedback. 		
1.5	Updated Parent and Community Engagement Policy	-	June 2021	On-Track	Work currently underway.Stakeholder groups will be meeting February 26, 2021.		
1.5	Develop and implement an Annual Parent Empowerment Summit	-	Spring 2021	On-Track	Planning underway.May 1, 2021 set as date for Summit.		
1.6	District-wide Community School Initiative is successfully implemented.	-	June 2021	On-Track	 Significant work is occurring. Community School Taskforce meeting scheduled for March 2021 to continue to strategize about framework and rollout 		
1.6	Number of community partners increase by %	Data being compiled	3%	On-Track	 Compendium of in school community provided supports completed. New partnerships are being created with CBOs and businesses. Meeting with Rhinebeck Bank to develop partnership. Letters of partnership commitment have been obtained for SAMHSA grant. Partnership with DCBH to support Parent Empowerment Center. 		

Goal 1: Student Achievement – PCSD will accelerate the academic performance of all students.

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1.6	Broaden strategic partnership with Poughkeepsie Public School Foundation, aligned to the Poughkeepsie Education Promise including support for Community Schools	-		On-Track	 Attending monthly PPSF meetings (business, fundraising, and communication). Working collaboratively to identify PCSD Alumni. Working collaboratively on the PCSD Exemplary Teacher, Administrator and Staff Event Working collaboratively to create a summer college readiness (exposure) opportunity for students that will be first generation college attenders and their parents.
1.6	Strengthen strategic partnerships with higher education institutions in the Mid-Hudson Valley	-		On-Track	 Partnership opportunities continued to be explored. Following are partnerships opportunities being discussed: HSE Program through DCC for Parents Tutoring program with Marist. Psychology internship program with Marist Partnership with SUNY New Paltz Expanding partnership with Vassar Establishing partnership with Bard College
1.6	Create increased engagement opportunities with major civic, legislative, business, community and faith-based organizations	-		On-Track	 Partnership opportunities continued to be explored. Following are partnerships created/expanded: Dutchess County Behavioral & Community Health Dutchess County Stabilization Center & Service Mobile Crisis Intervention Mental Health America of Dutchess County Community Action Partnership for Dutchess County Dutchess One Stop Career Center Dutchess County Youth One Stop Dutchess County Regional Chamber of Commerce Legal Services of the Hudson Valley Planned Parenthood National Fatherhood Initiative American Red Cross SNUG Poughkeepsie Mediation Center of Dutchess County National Alliance of Mental Illness Mid Hudson Central Hudson Etc.
1.6	Develop relationships with corporate, healthcare, higher ed, and faith-based strategic partners to support Community Schools	-		On-Track	Partnership opportunities continued to be explored.See list above

Goal 2: Resource Stewardship – PCSD will utilize existing resources to support the optimal operations of the district and identify new resources to support increased programming and access for all students.

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June 2021

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November 2020

November 2020

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Goal Achieved

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On-Track

On-Track

• Budget update provided to BOE February 17, 2021. Budget Adoption Meeting set for April 7, 2021.

• To date 6/10 monthly updates have been provided.

• Secured the services of grant writing firm (RJMA) to aid in

• 20-21 Internal Audit to be completed by June 30, 2021.

• To date 6 grants applied for. Additional applications in process.

• Work currently underway. Finalization after May budget vote.

Monitoring occurring and spending is inline with community

Many strategies are underway to address and improve staff

· Analyzed in district high-cost programs and out of district placements to inform school program options that are more

development.

· Spending is within limits.

securing additional funding.

• Work currently underway.

economically responsible.

school budget.

attendance.

In-process.

• Multiple strategies for informing community is currently under

Strategy Map Focus Area	Performance Objective	Prior Year(s)	Target 2020-2021	Quarter 2 Status	Notes
					21-22 budget work currently underway.

67%

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\$11,890,806

\$81,700

17

Yes

N/A

N/A

Data being

compiled

Goal and Performance Objectives

(philanthropic)

by June 30, 2021

on an equity model

statements

Balance the 21-22 District budget

21-22 District Budget successfully received taxpayer approval

Provide monthly updates to BOE and community on district budget

Increase the % of funding coming in from external sources (grant)

Develop a 4- year financial plan that is Board reviewed and approved

Increase the % of funding coming in from external sources

District receives an unqualified opinion for annual financial

Increase the % of general fund resources spent on instruction

(Data will be presented during quarterly updates by collective

Develop a system for allocating financial resources to schools based

Ensure that Community School funding supports initiative

Maintain spending limits within approved budget

Internal Audits receive less than ## findings

Increase Employee Attendance by

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Develop school-based budgeting process

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Goal and Performance Objectives							
Goal 3: Internal Processes, Systems, & Structures - PCSD will build and strengthen internal process, systems and structures to ensure that PCSD is operating optimally to achieve its goals.							
Strategy Map Focus Area	Performance Objective	Prior Year(s)	Target 2020-2021	Quarter 2 Status	Notes		
					Strategy Completed. Work ongoing.PCSD will be participating in 3 virtual/in-person career fairs.		

February 2021

Spring 2021

Spring 2021

Fall 2020

Spring 2021

Summer 2020

90%

90%

Summer 2020

Fall 2020

Winter 2020

Fall 2020

Goal Achieved

On-Track

On-Track

Goal Achieved

On-Track

Goal Achieved

On-Track

On-Track

Goal Achieved

Off-Track

w/new target

completion date

Off-Track

w/new target

completion date

Goal Achieved

• Expanded employment announcements to Indeed (online job

• Working with Mentor Coordinators to identify opportunities to

• Work is currently underway to develop schedule for traditional

• Schedule has been developed for Remote and Hybrid

· 95% completed. Technology and furniture being identified and

Additional enhancements and upgrades are ongoing.

• Principal and Assistant Pricnipal Pools have been created to quickly fill vacant administrative roles in the event of transition

• Nomination forms are due back February 26, 2021.

Event scheduled for April 8, 2021.

• Identification of online platforms.

instruction models.

· Survey currently being finalized.

ordered. March 2021 Completion.

· Refinements are ongoing.

· Work is currently underway.

notification platform).

retain staff.

school year.

Strategy Map Focus Area	Performance Objective
3.1	Develop and implement a staffing strategy focused on attracting, selecting, training and retaining an effective diverse corps of teachers and administrators

and celebrates exemplary teachers, administrators and staff

Develop process for controlling the hiring of positions

maintenance and cleaning

Satisfaction]

Satisfaction]

Building for all staff

Building

Develop and implement an educator recognition program that acknowledges

Convert the employee application process from pencil and paper to online

Develop an Annual Schedule for the Building and Facilities that outlines routine

Refine the Board Agenda structure to support a more efficient BOE meeting

Maintain cleanliness rating for grounds of 90% (outside of schools) [Principal

Maintain cleanliness rating for facilities of 90% (inside school) [Principal

Successfully transition all central function departments to the Columbus

Successfully establish the BOE meeting space at the Columbus Building

Successfully create a professional learning training space at the Columbus

Complete the telephone system upgrade project to provide school and

community stakeholders with better access to communicate with district staff

Goal 3: Internal Processes, Systems, & Structures - PCSD will build and strengthen internal process, systems and structures to ensure that PCSD is operating optimally to achieve its goals.

Strategy Map Focus Area	Performance Objective	Prior Year(s)	Target 2020-2021	Quarter 2 Status	Notes
3.2	Create a comprehensive telephone directory and publish to district website	-	October 2020	Goal Achieved	
3.2	Enhance the District's website with additional functionality and ease of use	50%	November 2020	On-Track	Functionality ImprovedDutchess BOCES secured to provide support.
3.2	Number of weekly communication briefings (Superintendent's Brief) that inform the Board and community on district specific issues, news items, community engagements, plans and operations that the Superintendent is engaged in to move the District forward	70	80	On-Track	 Work is currently underway. To date 48/80 communication briefs have been developed and disseminated.
3.2	Number of local community engagements and presentations by the Superintendent and Senior Staff to build trust, strengthen the positive narrative, and instill public confidence in the District	13	20	On-Track	 Senior staff have been actively participating in community engagements and presentations locally. Dr. Rosser is scheduled to serve on a conference panel at New Paltz in April 2021 Dr. Rosser is scheduled to present at a Duchess County Chamber of Commerce Breakfast in the Spring 2021. Central Office staff are slated to provide presentations through the Parent Empowerment Center covering a broad range of topics. Office of Students with Exceptionalities scheduled to host 4 Fireside Chats
3.2	Number of Principal Fireside Chats to build trust, strengthen school and home partnership, and keep parents informed	38	70	On-Track	Principal Fireside Chats are occurring regularly.



seeking to maximize their leadership potential

College Fair to

4.2

Strategy Map Focus Area	Performance Objective	Prior Year(s)	Target 2020-2021	Quarter 2 Status	
4.1	Develop a comprehensive plan for the transformation of Poughkeepsie Middle School	-	April 2021	On-Track	Focus Group parents and Data is currents

ips were held with PMS and PHS students, staff, nd community members. Data is currently being reviewed. PCSD has made application for a full-service Community School grant that will provide funding to support college and career pathways.

Notes

Develop a comprehensive plan for the transformation of Poughkeepsie High School to support students' college and career aspirations Expand the number of college representatives at Poughkeepsie High School

April 2021 76

Goal Achieved and Exceeded

On-Track

Created Virtual College fair featuring 164 colleges and universities. • Through SML 7-12 grade students will be provided with

Off-Track w/new target completion date On-Track

Career begins February 27, 2021. • Framework for Aspiring Leadership Program developed. Currently building curriculum and identifying guest speakers to participate. • Summer 2021 Implementation

opportunities to explore various careers. SML College and

On-Track

Goal Achieved

On-Track

Monthly principal meetings are taking place. • Weekly conversations and support has provided since the beginning of the school year. Monthly all administrator meetings are occurring. These meetings provide opportunity for principals, department

their effectiveness as leaders in the Poughkeepsie City School District Establish a Principal Advisory Committee – quarterly, and as needed meetings

150

Fall 2020

Spring 2021

12

problems, and discuss the interplay of central office and • To date four (4) all administrators meetings have been held.

Superintendent meets weekly with cabinet members to

discuss goals and progress toward achieving.

October 2020

heads, and cabinet members to identify issues, resolve with Principals and Cabinet level leaders to identify issues, problem solve, and On-Track receive feedback from Principals on key initiatives and central office supports schools.

Launch a Capital Improvement Referendum targeted to improve PCSD facilities and improve the learning environment

Ensure that all cabinet members are annually evaluated

Develop a plan for career exploration opportunities for students grades 7-12

Conduct monthly leadership meetings with school based leadership to enhance

Develop an aspiring leaders academy for teachers and assistant principals

Goal Achieved 100%

100%

Ensure that all cabinet members have established goals and performance objectives aligned to the District's Annual Goals and Performance Objectives

Goal 4: Organizational Effectiveness – PCSD will improve its effectiveness by making decisions that are researched based, fiscally sound, and driven by data.

Strategy Map Focus Area	Performance Objective	Prior Year(s)	Target 2020-2021	Quarter 1 Status	Notes
4.4	Ensure that all division heads have established goals and performance objectives aligned to the District's Annual Goals and Performance Objectives	-	100%	Goal Achieved	
4.4	Ensure that all division heads are annually evaluated	-	100%	On-Track	 Weekly Division Heads meeting take place where each member works to share their work and collaborate to achieve goals.
4.4	Ensure that all principals have established goals and performance objectives aligned to the District's Annual Goals and Performance Objectives	-	100%	Goal Achieved	
4.4	Ensure that all principals are annually evaluated	-	100%	On-Track	 Assistant Superintendent of Elementary Education works closely with principals weekly to build their capacity.





Summary:

This report provides updates on the status of performance objective activity to achieve the 20-21 District Annual Goals and serves as a "dashboard document" — a tracking tool to ensure accountability. Its clear that the Poughkeepsie City School 20-21 District Strategic Plan is in motion. The activity highlighted in this document to improve student achievement, maximize district resources, establish sound systems and structures, and strengthen the effectiveness of the organization is what is needed to achieve PCSD goals.

