Hazleton Area SD District Level Plan

Mission

The mission of the Hazleton Area School District is to provide a challenging and enriching education where all students are exposed to high academic standards, a rigorous curriculum, and integrated technology in an inclusive environment.

Vision

The Hazleton Area School District prides itself in providing a pathway to a safe stimulating (learning) environment where each student is afforded the opportunity to become knowledgeable, responsible, and productive individuals, who can succeed in a diverse global community.

Shared Values

- 1. We believe that parents/guardians are a child's first teacher and are an itegral part of their educational success and ultimately the school district's success is based on their support.
- 2. We believe that integrity, mutual respect, compassion, and trust provide the foundation for a healthy learning community.
- 3. We believe that diversity is a strength that helps our students and staff embrace cultural differences, develop tolerance for differing viewpoints, and respect the differences that make each person unique.
- 4. We believe that educators, parents, students, and community members should work together to make school a place where students feel both physically and emotionally safe so that they will focus on learning.
- 5. We believe that the task of education is to provide a rigorous curriculum that will help students acquire the communication, problem solving, and critical thinking skills that will enable them to become lifelong learners.
- 6. We believe that schools are pathways for learning where students are challenged to reach their potential.
- 7. We believe that education should teach students how to think, not what to think.
- 8. We believe that school should be a place where students are guided in becoming both socially responsible and service oriented in order to become productive members of the community.
- 9. We believe that by making choices, transferring knowledge, and applying skills students will take an active role in their learning.
- 10. We believe that teaching students to use technology effectively as a tool for educational purposes, such as conducting research, sharing ideas, and working with others, is essential in preparing students to be college and career ready.

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The Hazleton Area SD is committed to using these goals as the blueprint for guiding the school district through the years.

«Goals»

<u>Goal 1:</u> Establish a district system that fully ensures consistent implementation of standards aligned curricula across all schools for all students.

<u>Strategies</u>

Curriculum Mapping

21st Century Skills Curriculum Redesign

<u>Goal 2:</u> Establish a district system that fully ensures the consistent implementation of effective instructional practices across all classrooms in each school.

Strategies

Data Analysis Procedures, Data-Informed Instruction, Data Teams & Data

Warehousing

Differentiating Instruction

Instructional Coaching

Teacher Evaluations