

SCHOOL CLIMATE

To provide an analysis of the school climate in all our buildings and develop policies and programs to create an environment where all members are welcomed, supported and feel safe in school.

- Select and begin conducting a school climate survey with the goal of getting the results back early in 2011.**
- Analyze the School Climate results to identify tasks related to safety, multicultural support, teaching and learning, interpersonal relationships, instructional environment, and professional relationships.**
- Create a Dignity for All Students Act Task Force that includes all school district stakeholders before the Thanksgiving recess.**
- Create an anti-bullying (and cyber-bullying) policy in accordance with Dignity for All Students Act to be circulated before the end of the school year and to be approved and adopted no later than the beginning of the 2011/12 school year.**

Adopted: 11/1/2010

ACADEMIC STANDARDS

To provide a rich and challenging curriculum that goes beyond state standards and provides opportunities for students at every level to succeed and excel. To encourage all students to take the most challenging programs possible with a focus on achieving mastery.

- **Evaluate our K-8 curriculum and determine what changes need to be made with a closer look at the number of students taking accelerated subjects and the infusion of higher level writing tasks in all subject areas.**
- **Create curriculum frameworks and assessments that focus on proficiency, mastery and exceeding state expectations at all levels which also maximizes the use of our technology resources.**
- **Use student performance data as well as teacher feedback to determine what programs and interventions are meeting student needs. Eliminate or adjust programs which are not reaching our expectations.**
- **Evaluate Regents level coursework and prepare for increased state expectations on future Regents tests.**
- **Examine a role for an Academic Standards Committee to focus on Core Standards and understandings for all curriculum areas.**

Adopted: 11/1/2010

District Finance

To continue the development and implementation of effective fiscal management strategies throughout the district.

- Plan for the impact of the loss of ARRA funding effective June, 2011.
- Plan for and project the impact of increases in retirement contributions and health insurance costs on the 2011-12 budget and beyond.
- Review and present the results of the Five Year Building Condition Survey and create a specific list of recommended capital projects to be funded by the Capital Reserve Fund. The capital projects list should be focused on health and safety, infrastructure as well as projects that may result in efficiencies.
- Monitor and plan for the potential impact of a property tax cap and Nassau County's plan to shift tax certiorari costs to school districts and the sewer use fee.

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