

# Glassboro School District State of the Schools Report





# What is Strategic Planning?

Definition: Strategic planning is the process of identifying an organization's long-term goals and determining the best approach for achieving those goals.



# What is the Purpose of Strategic Planning?

Strategic planning provides a blueprint for the future. It answers three questions:

- 1. Where are we today?
- 2. Where do we want to be in the future?
- 3. What should we focus on today in order to get to that destination?





#### Mission Statement:

Glassboro Public Schools create a culture that values learning and prepares all to think, achieve and succeed.



# Changing Demographics

Borough	White Alone	Black/ African American Alone	Hispanic or Latino (of any race)	Asian Alone	Americ an Indian/ Alaskan Native	Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander Alone	Two or More Races	
2014 American Community Survey	75%	17.6%	5.5%	2.7%	.1%	0%	1.7%	
2010 Census	72.2%	18.7%	7.4%	2.9%	.1%	.10%	2.9%	
2000 Census	74.5%	19.5%	3.8%	2.3%	.2%	.10%	2.0%	
District								
10/2015	44.54%	33.06%	12.17%	2.43%	.09%	.19%	6.02%	
10/2013	48.10%	35%	9.21%	2.39%	.09%	.09%	4.56%	
* Students unclassified by race 1.49% in 2015, .54% in 2013								



# Demographics



Glassboro Residents by Age	Under 18	20-24	65 and Over	Median Age
2014 American Community Survey	19.4%	17.0%	10.7%	27.6
2010 Census	19.4%	20.2%	10.7%	28.4
2000 Census	22.1%	17.96%	9.8%	27.1

#### October 2015

Total # Students = 2144 (this is 70 less than in October 2013) 52.89% of students are boys

49.68% of students qualify for free/reduced lunch



# Staffing



Category	Total
Total of Employees (As of 12/7/2015)	414
Minority Employees	16.90% - 70
Employees Hired Since 2/2010	140
Employees with Advanced Degrees	27.05% - 112

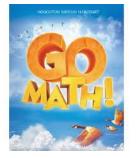


#### Student Achievement

- Expanded Professional Development
- Professional Learning Communities (PLCs)
- Professional Development through Rowan University







- Aligned Curriculum to Core Standards while Assuring District-wide Articulation
- 5-Year Textbook Plan
- Articulation expanded across schools
- Math and English Language Arts (ELA) programs are now aligned with Core Standards





#### Student Achievement (cont.)

- Aligned Curriculum ...(cont.)
- GIS teachers took part in Core Curriculum videos
- New strategic planners face crossroads as NJ DOE rejects Common Core and reevaluates PARCC
- Developed, Implemented and Still Monitor Benchmark Assessments to Drive Improvement
- Added Basic Skills Instructors
- Decreased Number of Classified Students



### Student Achievement (cont.)

- Updated district-wide technology
- 1,150 computers and laptops
- Referendum-funded upgrade increased bandwidth and capacity
- Devices used for learning & testing
- Bring your own device a reality
- Rodgers, Bullock & Bowe schools have document cameras & projectors
- Virtual servers & cloud technology



# Student Achievement (cont.)

- Other
- Graduation Rate 96.9% in 2015;
   92.7% in 2010
- Drop-out Rate 3.4% in 2015, 3.9%
- GIS: Top 10 School for Middle School Gains and its student council was recognized



#### Climate and Culture

- Promoted Positive Community Relations
- Rowan/Borough/School Partnerships
- Teacher of the Year Awards
- Parent nights/chats with the principal
- Students recognized at BOE Meetings
- Concerns link, referendum email address
  - Free breakfast program in Rodgers, Bullock & Bowe & Unit lunch at GHS



# Climate and Culture (cont.)

Promote Sensitivity to Diverse Backgrounds

Opening day speaker spoke on this subject

**Bilingual classroom** 

**ELL** parents group

Minority recruitment fair

Thanksgiving Breakfast school/ministerium collaboration

Multicultural events at Bowe & GHS

**Hispanic and African American Read-Ins** 



### Climate and Culture (cont.)

- Continued to Improve Technology
- School messenger
- PowerSchool and website on computer & smartphones
- Automated attendance calling
- GHS facebook and twitter
- PTO facebooks
- Emailed newsletter
- Online cafeteria payments



### Climate and Culture (cont.)

- Developed and Maintained a Safe & Healthy School Environment
- Positive behavior programs
- Social skills at Rodgers & Bullock
- HIB allegations investigated
- Anti-bullying specialists at each school
- GIS selected as an emerging school of character/GIS video highlighted in news
- Referendum projects increasing security



- Grants
- Part-time grant specialist hired/left
- Staff use Glassboro Education Foundation grants
- Pascal Sykes grant
- Inclusive schools grant at GIS
- Youth Services Grant funding for Hollybush Stars at Bullock

Grant





- Reconnected with Alumni
- Room for improvement
- Reinvigorated Sports Hall of Fame
- High school holds invites alumni to annual Black History Assembly & Holiday Homecoming



# The Borough



- Established and Maintained Relations with Corporations & Community
- Working with Rowan more than ever
- Barnes & Noble supports literacy activities with annual Bullock program
- Library houses Real Men Read for Bowe in Summer
- Borough







- Alternative funding efforts
- Explored student activities fee and courtesy busing
- Transportation agreements with other districts
- Employees share medical costs
- Researched outsourcing facilities, technology and nursing, etc.





- Investigated usage of Solar Energy
- Implemented solar energy at Bowe
- Roofing work will enable us to explore additional solar energy use
- Referendum projects may enable us to save costs through energy incentives or more efficient systems



- Other
- Budgets remain under cap
- More active collection of cafeteria balances
- Referendum will enable us to upgrade buildings and make the job of maintenance department easier





# Thank You!

Any Questions?

