

CHITTENDEN CENTRAL SUPERVISORY UNION
[Essex High School]
School Action Plan for Continuous Improvement
K-12 Needs Assessment and School-based S.M.A.R.T. Goals
2010 – 2012

21st Century Framework	<p>CCSU K-12 Comprehensive Areas</p> <p>Targeted for Improvement by the CCSU Educational Leadership Team: <i>Collaborative Data Analysis and Comprehensive Needs Assessment</i> <i>(Requirement of No Child Left Behind and The Consolidated Federal Grant Program)</i></p>	<p>[Essex High School] 2010-2012 S.M.A.R.T. Goals/Action Steps:</p>																																																																																																																																																																																																																																				
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To further measure progress and growth there is a need to provide grade-level specific training on the use of NECAP scaled scores and locally designed formative assessments to drive instructional programming and lesson design at the classroom level.</p> <p>Improve and /or sustain competence in READING achievement (over 80%). 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21ST CENTURY LEADERSHIP	<p><u>LEADERSHIP CRITICAL CHALLENGES AND NEEDS:</u></p> <p>Improve leadership skill set related to the components of “Universal Classroom” (learning communities, a mapped, guaranteed, viable curriculum, differentiated instruction, formative assessment, and supported learning environments) and map out and fully communicate among all stakeholders a 3-5 year roadmap of what the CCSU will look like with all components of a Universal Classroom fully implemented, taking into account the readiness variability of schools.</p> <p>Re-establish common goals in utilizing and gathering data related to improvement systems- approaches such as distributed leadership, collaborative teaming, professional learning communities , and calibrated classroom walk-throughs.</p> <p>Action Focus for Central Office: Redefine Leadership and Implement Strong Accountability Systems</p> <p>Essential Questions to Guide our Responses to Critical Challenges: In what ways does the Central Office support the school’s teacher leaders and administrators in their school improvement efforts? To what extent does the ELT focus on educational leadership that explores the linkages among educational leadership, improving schools, and positive achievement outcomes for students? In what ways has the ELT established a culture of trust and institutionalized a commitment to continuous improvement and accountability for performance? How is distributed leadership demonstrated and what evidence do we have that it is effective?</p>	<p><u>Leadership</u></p> <p>By November 2011, implement the parent portal of Power School, our upgraded student data base system, as measured by teacher, staff, administrative, and parent trainings, and follow-up timelines.</p> <p>By September 2011, continue with teacher led NEASC Committee work in preparation for decennial visit in 2012.</p> <p>By September 2011, Learning Community Leaders, Academy Leaders, and Curriculum Content Leaders will be engaged in data and key metric analysis, as measured by board presentations aligned with calendar mapping.</p> <p>By September 2011, the STEM Academy Leader along with the Learning Community Leader from Math, Science, and Design Technology will establish a committee who will research, develop, and plan a STEM model, as measured by its initial implementation in the fall of 2012.</p> <p>By September 2011, communicate and align Student Government and Student Advisory Committee work with the goal to increase student input and decision-making opportunities, as measured by administrative review of goals and student surveys.</p>
21ST CENTURY SUPPORT SYSTEMS: CURRICULUM, AND INSTRUCTION; CORE SUBJECTS AND 21ST	<p><u>CURRICULUM, INSTRUCTION, AND ASSESSMENT CRITICAL CHALLENGES AND NEEDS:</u></p> <p>Improve CCSU knowledge base of the Common Core Standards and the Smarter Balanced Assessment and develop a timeline with action steps to implement the Common Core that will also address alignment issues with Common Core.</p> <p>Ensure proficiency in utilizing differentiated instruction and standards-based curriculum, instruction, and assessment to support a Universal Classroom by establishing common understandings and shared expectations.</p>	<p><u>Curriculum, Assessment, and Instruction</u></p> <p>By September 2011, charge Learning Communities with ensuring the development, monitoring, and evaluation of improvement strategies focused on students on FRL and students with disabilities, identified in March and September NECAP (reading, writing, math, and science) analysis, as measured learning community and administrative review of strategic improvement goals, key metrics, and annual NECAP results.</p> <p>By January 2012, Humanities teachers in the Grade 9 Core will use co / collaborative teaching as common practice in their instructional planning and delivery of curriculum as measured by teacher self-reporting, yearly goal setting, and classroom walkthroughs.</p>

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	<p>Action Focus for Central Office : Take a System-wide Approach to Improving Instruction and Create a District Curriculum Aligned with Standards and Assessments</p> <p>Essential Questions to Guide our Responses to Critical Challenges: Is there a supervisory union curriculum that is aligned with the Common Core Standards in English Language Arts and Math? Do all teachers use the curriculum in planning instruction? Is there a process to ensure that curriculum is fully implemented? What evidence is there that all teachers have a deep knowledge and understanding of their content and best practice strategies for how to teach it? To what extent are all students engaged in learning? Are assessments designed to measure performance in ways that advance learning through the development of critical thinking and problem solving skills? How is assessment data used to drive instructional practice and address student needs during the learning?</p>	<p>By June 2012, increase implementation of differentiated instruction as standard practice when planning instruction and in curriculum delivery to 100% (from approximately 75%) of Essex High School teachers, as measured by administrative review and learning community review of goal setting and classroom observations.</p> <p>By September 2011, Curriculum Content Leaders will continue key work in K-12 Vertical Team work both with schools in the CCSU and with sending schools, as measured by meeting attendance and notes.</p>
21ST CENTURY SUPPORT SYSTEMS: PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT	<p>PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT FOR HIGH QUALITY STAFF CRITICAL CHALLENGES AND NEEDS:</p> <p>Improve decision-making and communication for focused improvement initiatives in DI and FA and their relationship to professional learning.</p> <p>Narrow and close achievement gaps by designing multiple year implementation plans that outline the P.D., timeline, and communication for each identified outcome.</p> <p>Address educators “need to know” concerning the Common Core and SBAC through the creation of a timeline with action steps to implement the Common Core.</p> <p>Action Focus for Central Office: Coordinate and Embed On-going Professional Development Opportunities</p> <p>Essential Questions to Guide our Responses to Critical Challenges: Is there evidence that professional learning to advance student achievement is valued? What professional development opportunities do teachers receive to assist them in implementing the curriculum and their school’s action steps? What evidence is there that student learning is tied to teacher learning? How relevant is our professional development to teaching, learning, research, or creative inquiry? Do teachers feel they receive adequate professional development?</p>	<p>Professional Development</p> <p>By September 2011, national differentiated instruction expert, Nanci Smith, will work with Comprehensive Algebra teachers for successful math skill attainment, as measured by progress reports, and report cards.</p> <p>By September 2011, Bill Rich will work as a coach for the 9th grade Humanities teachers for successful skill attainment in the English and social studies content areas as measured by progress reports and report cards.</p> <p>By September 2011, all staff will receive the book, “Teaching With Poverty in Mind,” by author and brain researcher Eric Jensen. The desired outcome will be to improve our proficiency in reading, writing, math and science in the FRL subgroup as measured by report cards and NECAP scores.</p>

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SAFE, HEALTHY, STUDENT-CENTERED LEARNING ENVIRONMENT CRITICAL CHALLENGES AND NEEDS:

YRBS Executive Summary

Availability of Illegal Drugs on School Property: Essex High School students are more likely than students statewide to be offered, sold, or given an illegal drug on school property.

		ALL					
Percent of students who were offered, sold, or given illegal drugs on school property	CCSU	25%	8 th grade	9 th grade	10 th grade	11 th grade	12 th grade
	Statewide	19%	5%	23%	24%	30%	33%
	Comparison	+6	10%	17%	24%	23%	21%
			-5	+6	-	+7	+12

Perception of Risks from Marijuana Use: The perception of the risks of using marijuana regularly has declined significantly from 2007.

		ALL
Percent of students who think there is a great risk in using marijuana regularly	CCSU 2007	52%
	CCSU 2009	46%
	Comparison	-8

Alcohol Use Among High School Seniors: Alcohol use has been rising steadily among high school seniors since 2003, and is now above statewide levels.

		12 th grade		
		CCSU	State	Comparison
Percent of students who consumed at least one drink of alcohol in the past 30 days	1999	51%	60%	-9
	2001	55%	58%	-3
	2003	41%	56%	-15
	2005	48%	50%	-2
	2007	53%	55%	-2
	2009	56%	50%	+6

Continuously improve opportunities to engage student voices in the creation of safe and respectful 21 century learning environments that promote multiple literacies (i.e. civic, digital, economic, social, emotional, and aesthetic).

Build capacity of educators to support students with behavioral challenges within classrooms and schools.

Facilitate the implementation of biennial school climate surveys that are age/grade level appropriate.

Improve access to service learning opportunities both within and outside the school.

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Safe, Healthy, Student-Centered Learning Environments

By September 2011, continue work with Essex Police and Central Office to reduce baseline behaviors by ten percent for EHS students who were offered, sold, or given illegal drugs on school property, as measured by our school based discipline data (collected in June), SAP reporting, and Youth Risk Behavior Survey results. It should be noted that the YRBS was administered in March 2011 and we will not see those results until the fall of 2011.

By September 2011, all freshmen will create a personal learning plan in the 9th grade Core as measured by student registration and course completion.

By September 2011, all freshmen will be part of an advisory program in their 9th Grade Health class in the Core as measured by student registration and course completion.

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	<p><u>EDUCATIONAL SUPPORT SYSTEM CRITICAL CHALLENGES AND NEEDS:</u></p> <p>Use survey results to:</p> <p><i>Improve the quality and fidelity</i> of the skill set within the educational support systems in functional behavior assessments, co-teaching, research-based interventions in reading and math.</p> <p><i>Improve understanding</i> of students exhibiting characteristics of being on the autism spectrum and strategies to support them.</p> <p>Action Focus for Central Office: <i>Commit to Supporting and Sustaining Reform</i></p> <p><u>Essential Questions to Guide our Responses to Critical Challenges:</u> Do all CCSU schools have programs of aligned support services that fully support the academic, social, and emotional well-being of all children as well as the improvement initiatives? What structures are in place for serving special populations (e.g., ELL, Title I, special education, academically talented) students? To what extent are staff members trained to meet the needs of these special populations? To what extent do specialists (e.g. ELL, Title I, special education, guidance, and social workers) collaborate with regular education teachers to support student achievement?</p>	<p><u>Educational Support Systems</u></p> <p>By September 2011, establish an EST team to work exclusively with grade 9 with the outcome to improve course failure rate by 5%, as measured by progress reports and report cards.</p> <p>By June 2012, determine the effectiveness of the math summer transition program as measured by those students success in comprehensive algebra during the 2011-12 school year.</p> <p>By June 2012, increase the number of students passing year-long class for those students participating in the Response to Failure program by five percent annually, as measured by final grade tabulation at the end of June.</p> <p>By September, engage teachers in learning communities in the number of student contacts and improvements in academic support time at the end of the school day as measured by teacher data and progress reports and grades.</p>
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<p style="writing-mode: vertical-rl; transform: rotate(180deg);">21st CENTURY STUDENT OUTCOMES: INFORMATION, MEDIA, AND TECHNOLOGY SKILLS – INFORMATION LITERACY, MEDIA LITERACY, AND ICT LITERACY</p>	<p><u>INFORMATION, COMMUNICATION, AND EDUCATIONAL TECHNOLOGY CRITICAL CHALLENGES:</u></p> <p>Improve the preparation of students to meet 21st Century challenges related to information, communication, and technological literacy and ensure students have the skills to take the online SBAC assessment in by 2015.</p> <p>Improve awareness of the ethical/legal issues surrounding the access and use of information and technological tools and ensure the implementation of an Internet Safety measures that are age appropriate.</p> <p>Implement a common definition of 21st Century Skills or vision for using technology as a tool to research, organize, evaluate, and communicate information using the ISTE NETS)for students, teachers, ITs, and administrators) and the Vermont tech GE’s, and improve alignment with vertical curriculum work .</p> <p>Improve the inclusion of assistive technology applications when designing 504, EST or 504 plans (students with significant cognitive, emotional, social, and/or behavioral difficulties).</p> <p>Action Focus for Central Office: <i>Commit to Sustaining Reform</i></p> <p><u>Essential Questions to Guide our Responses to Critical Challenges:</u> How effectively is technology used in organizational and instructional practices throughout the supervisory union? How do we use the strategic planning informed by research (such as The 2011 Horizon Report) to fully inform and measure implementation of improvements by Technology PLC’s such as school-based tech teams, the C21 Team, the Librarians Vertical Team, the ETIS Vertical Team, and the ELT? To what extent do we have a shared and common definition and set of expectations with respect to 21st Century Teaching and Learning and related, measurable skills?</p>	<p><u>Information, Communication, and Educational Technology Critical Challenges</u></p> <p>Indicators of Success</p> <p>Indicators of Success for Goal #1- All students and teachers seamlessly utilize technology effectively to support learning across the curriculum by consistently integrating a variety of technologies and technology-infused techniques into classroom curriculum. Classroom activities exhibit compelling evidence of the use of appropriate technological tools and instructional methods that utilize technology to enhance student learning in a student centered learning environment. All teachers and students master real world applications of technology and 21st Century skills by selecting and appropriately using technological tools.</p> <p>EHS will increase awareness of copyright issues in faculty and students through faculty in service presentations by our Education Technology Integration Specialist and for students in class meetings, orientation, and in Computer Applications in the 9th Grade Core. The effectiveness will be measured by student discipline data in June 2012, for technology violations.</p> <p>EHS will implement the District approved internet safety curriculum through the Health classes for the 9th Grade Core.</p> <p>Through the extended Design Team, including the Library Director and ETIS, EHS will implement a vision for the transformative integration of technology throughout the curricula, using the ISTE NETS (for students, teachers, and administrators).</p>
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21ST CENTURY PARTNER-SHIPS	<p><u>STAFF, PARENT, AND COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT AND ENGAGEMENT CRITICAL CHALLENGES AND NEEDS:</u></p> <p>Improve and focus communication with parents on student learning.</p> <p>Improve connections and increase parent participation with parents of “at risk” students through the development of a more positive process that includes more personal contact, especially when trying to schedule student-led conferences, in order to involve our parents as their children move to middle and high school.</p> <p>Collaboratively determine the timeline for parent access to Power School for student grade information and provide parents with training and information on the purposes and non-purposes of this portal.</p> <p>Action Focus for Central Office: <i>Commit to Supporting and Sustaining Reform</i></p> <p><u>Essential Questions to Guide our Responses to Critical Challenges:</u> To what extent do CCSU schools maintain positive relationships with parents and communicate frequently about students? What community businesses and organizations work in partnership with our schools? What do the partners contribute? How do we acknowledge their contributions?</p>	<p>By September 2011, continue to expand standards-based snapshots by learning communities that highlight student work and inform parents of the standards as a part of open-house events, as measured by agendas and parent feedback on Open House.</p> <p>By September 2011, initiate the Parent Portal of Power School to communicate homework / assignment information, grading and assessments information, and student attendance to parents / guardians. This will be accomplished with faculty input as a result of meetings and in service opportunities this spring and in August 2011.</p> <p>By September 2011, information and training opportunities for parents to access the Parent Portal of Power School will be available through mailings, web postings, and public presentations in our auditorium.</p> <p>By October 2011, increase parent conference attendance of parents of FRL students from 37% to 50%, as measured by teacher collection of participation data.</p>
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