

ENGAGEMENT:

Develop a learning community of school, family and community partnerships committed to ensuring educational equity and excellence so that all students achieve at high levels and graduate prepared for success in college, careers and life.

KSDE APPROVED – USD 497 District Improvement Plan Goal:

- By November 2011, develop a long range district education plan with the goal of creating and supporting a culture of high expectations for all students and closing the achievement gaps. This plan will include specific measures to monitor progress, clear timelines, and action steps.

	GOALS & ACTION STEPS 2011-2012	RESPONSIBILITY	TIMELINE	PROGRESS
	<p>Investigate and develop a comprehensive model for School, Family and Community Involvement.</p> <p>1. Conduct “Community Conversations” to engage parents and community members in developing priorities for the six target areas: a) parenting, b) communicating, c) volunteering, d) learning at home, e) decision making, and f) collaborating with the community.</p>	<p>Rick Doll Kim Bodensteiner Kyle Hayden Board of Education</p>	<p>By May 2012, conduct one or more “Community Conversations” to gather input on priorities related to school, family and community involvement.</p>	

Target Areas for 2011-12: communicating, decision making, collaborating with community

	<p>Communicating</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Develop and sustain effective communication channels from school-to-home and from home-to-school about school programming and student progress. Develop and sustain effective communication channels from school-to-community and from community-to-school about collaborative partnerships and programming.
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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Teacher Employee Advisory Group to include scheduled meetings with board member representatives. <p>2. Determine purpose, reporting responsibilities, and annual charge prior to initiating new advisory groups.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Initiate a District Finance Advisory Group. 	<p>Rick Doll Board of Education</p> <p>Rick Doll Kyle Hayden Kathy Johnson Board of Education</p>	<p>By November 2011, determine focus and schedule for Teacher Employee Advisory group meetings.</p> <p>By January 2012, determine purpose, membership selection, reporting responsibilities and charge for a District Advisory Council.</p>	<p>for their work - Review the preliminary elementary programming standards through an equity lens.</p> <p>Board president appointed two BOE reps. LEA president appointed members to an Employee (certified & classified) Advisory Group which convened on December 19, 2011. Meetings are scheduled monthly.</p> <p>A report on District Finance Advisory Committee is scheduled for January 9, 2012.</p>
<p>Collaborating with the Community</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Coordinate and collaborate to maximize community resources and services for students, families and school.</i> • <i>Develop and provide services to the community.</i> 				
	<p>1. Review the scope and effectiveness of our current community and higher education partnerships.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➡ Identify priority and/or unmet opportunities and needs. 	<p>Kim Bodensteiner District & Building Administrators</p>	<p>By November 2011, compile information regarding current partnerships.</p> <p>By April 2012, identify priority unmet needs and/or opportunities.</p>	<p>List of current partnerships was compiled with district and school staff input. Sent to Board of Ed on December 22, 2011.</p>

Target Areas for 2012-13 and beyond: volunteering, learning at home, parenting