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South Amboy Board of Education 2024-2025 Board Goals

February 2025 Update



2024-2025 Focus Areas

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Teaching and Learning Goal



South Amboy Public Schools believes in expanding and integrating opportunities for experiential, hands-on, and meaningful learning experiences and programs, while empowering teachers to improve instructional practices, and promote student engagement and achievement.

Strategic Action Steps	Begin Date	Target Date	February	
Survey stakeholders to gauge interest (tv studio, esports, dance, creative arts, home economics, etc.)	September 2024	November 2024	Action Step removed as survey results would be the same to 23-24 SY.	
Create clubs to engage in interactive and academically stimulating play with scholars from different schools/organizations. (Esports, etc.)	November 2024	June 2025	In Progress	eSports Competitions started AV Club has started
Establish a comprehensive professional development program that addresses the evolving needs of educators, including training on instructional strategies, assessment practices, classroom management, and cultural competence.	July 2024	June 2025	In Progress	12/12 Staff Inservice 2/27 Staff Inservice 2/28 Staff Inservice ES ELA Coaching: 1/10, 1/13, 1/24 MHS ELA Coaching: 12/4, 1/29, 2/13 MHS Math Coaching: 12/6, 1/27
Create "Best Practices Academy" where teachers have the platform to showcase best practices to their colleagues	September 2024	June 2025	In Progress	Nothing new to report
Develop a cross curricular team that includes both general ed/special ed staff to meet for vertical articulation focusing on cross curricular goals.	September 2024	June 2025	In Progress	SAES Meetings focused on bolstering curriculum between subjects.

Community Engagement Goal



South Amboy Public Schools believes in establishing channels for open communication among community members that are inclusive and welcoming to all voices, and to provide resources, training, and mentorship to empower community members to take action and contribute effectively.

Strategic Action Steps	Begin Date	Target Date	February	
Select a website that would encompass all languages for our community	July 2024	October 2024	Completed	• <u>Completed in August</u>
Work with Green Team, South Amboy Youth Athletics Association to create collaborative events, such as beach clean up, volunteer coaching etc.	July 2024	June 2025	Not Started	• Nothing new to report
Create student driven videos promoting schools and events	September 2024	June 2025	Not Started	• Nothing new to report
Parent nights to help support our community and provide resources to our parents, such as resume writing, Multi-Language Learners, etc.	October 2024	June 2025	In Progress	• 12/10 Tools of the Mind Parent Pro Workshop • 2/24 Resume Writing Parent Pro Workshop • 2/25 SEL Early Childhood Parent Pro Workshop
Utilize the Alumni page to build relationships and provide opportunities for alumni to connect with the current students and staff to increase positive community connections.	July 2024	June 2025	In Progress	• <u>Alumni.sapublicschools.com</u>

Culture and Climate Goal

South Amboy Public Schools believes in building a system for developing and supporting a culture and climate where South Amboy students, staff, and community can thrive, and to strengthen relationships and communication to foster a culture of collaboration, trust, and open communication within South Amboy Public Schools.

Strategic Action Steps	Begin Date	Target Date	February	
Provide resources and support to address the social, emotional, and academic needs of students, including counseling services, mental health supports, and academic interventions.	September 2024	June 2025	In Progress	- ESS Counseling - Second Step for ES and MS - Vector Solutions for MS and HS
Promote a positive school culture through recognition programs, celebrations of achievement, and opportunities for staff/student growth.	September 2024	June 2025	In Progress	- HERO Program at ES - Go Guvs Student and Employee of the Month - Honor Roll Breakfasts
Integrate SEL into the curriculum to help students develop self-awareness, self-management, self-advocacy, social awareness, relationship skills, and responsible decision-making.	September 2024	June 2025	In Progress	- Second Step Curriculum - Restorative Circles - Restorative Administration Conferences
Create and implement a buddy system for new students, parents, staff, and substitutes.	July 2024	October 2024	Not Started	Nothing new to report
Evaluate where current communication breakdowns happen between stakeholders (administration, staff, students, parents and community) to identify new effective communication strategies.	September 2024	January 2025	In Progress	Parent Square launch has been well received. Phase 2 beginning next week with parent to staff communication.

Next Steps

Curriculum and Instruction

- Create a Best Practices Academy schedule for each building.
- Dedicate two additional future faculty meeting/in-service days for vertical articulation.

Community Engagement

- Create at least three student driven videos for each school.
- Contact and meet with various community groups to create collaborative events.
- Design and schedule Alumni events.

Communication and Transparency

- Create and implement a buddy system for new students, parents, staff, and substitutes.
- Continue to expand school recognition programs.



Thank you for
listening!

