



Advisory Board Regular Meeting Superintendent's Report

Tuesday, August 28, 2018

Agenda

District Updates

- Superintendent's Welcome
- Listen & Learn Feedback
- FDOS Readiness
- Summer Programs
- 2018/19 Academic Updates

District Highlights

Superintendent's Welcome



“I know Camden students can achieve great things, because I was in their shoes not so long ago. Working together, we will help every graduate leave our District ready to thrive in college and the modern workplace.”

– Katrina T. McCombs,
Camden High School c/o 1987

Superintendent's Welcome: Transition Plan



**Assess
feedback /
Set goals**



**Share Strategic
Plan**



FDOS

B2S Night

Superintendent's Welcome: Priorities

Great Educators + Engaged Families + A Responsive District =
RISING STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT

1 Accelerate reading and math achievement

2 Great teachers in every classroom

3 A District that *puts students first*

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Listen & Learn Feedback

6 weeks – 15 meetings – 500 participants (online and in person)

Major areas of feedback:

Parent engagement to improve student academic performance

Diverse teacher recruitment

Equal access to technology, textbooks, and resources in all schools

How can schools make it easier for people to work with students

More city-wide opportunities for students to engage with peers from all school types

More career exposures and CTE pathways

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FDOS Readiness: Staffing

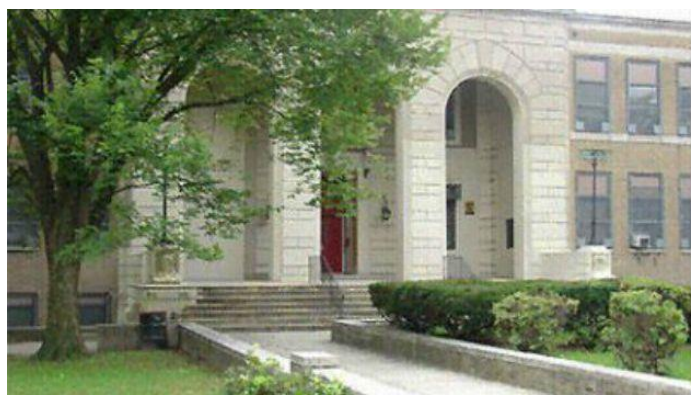
- Welcome to 71 new school-based staff members!
- Teacher vacancy rate < 4% for FDOS
 - *Including Leaves of Absence*
- New training and supports for all substitutes and long term subs
- Kids will know their teacher on day one

FDOS Readiness: Technology

- All K-5 classrooms have at least 5 desktops ready
- High school ELA/Math classes have at least desktops in each classroom
- Additional smartboards installed and repaired across the District
- New copiers installed to deliver secure and efficient teacher printing
- 1:1 student:device ratio for Summit Learning programs

FDOS Readiness: School Building Updates

Summer Upgrades and Cleaning



Today 95% of classrooms are student ready!



FDOS Readiness: School Building Updates

Something new...

- A “Green Cleaning for Infection Prevention”



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Academic Updates: CCSD New School Leaders!



Mrs. Rahman – Forest Hill



Mrs. Robinson – BPLA MS



Mrs. Casella – Coopers Poynt

| School | School leader |
|-----------------------------------|----------------------------|
| BPLA MS | Jahniah Robinson |
| BPLA HS | Tim Jenkins |
| Brimm | Hye-Won Gehring |
| Camden High | Alex Jones |
| Catto | Byron Dixon |
| Camden Transitional / Accelerated | Dr. Jonathan Ogbonna |
| Cramer | Danielle Phillips |
| Cooper's Poynt | Janine Casella |
| Cream | Herbert Simons |
| Creative Arts | Dr. Davida Coe-Brockington |

| School | School leader |
|-------------|----------------------|
| Davis | Sharon Woodridge |
| Dudley | Gloria Martinez-Vega |
| ECDC | Loray Dobson |
| Forest Hill | Fatihah Abdul-Rahman |
| HB Wilson | Nicole Harrigan |
| Sharp | Evelyn Ruiz |
| Vets | Danette Sapowsky |
| Wiggins | Lana Murray |
| WWHS | Larry James |
| Yorkship | Dr. Tracey Thompson |



Academic Updates: Gifted & Talented Program

Pilot locations: HB and Catto

Students were tested this spring/summer

3-5th grade classes will begin this fall

Engaging Teaching and Learning for learners with special talents – including bilingual and students with special educational needs

45 minutes daily of learning activities focused on specialized instruction for selected students

Academic Updates: Alternative Programs

Two alternative program sites:

SOAR Academy @ WWHS

Camden PRIDE Academy @ Mickle

Fully staffed

- Social workers
- Case managers
- Educators
- Operations Managers
- Experienced school leaders and lead educators

Academic Updates

K8

- Continue pushing iReady growth
- 1:1 technology pilot to accelerate individualized learning

High Schools

- \$90,000 Planning Grant for College and Career Readiness
- College Advising Corps = more college guidance in all schools
- Summit Learning expands to BPLA

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Brimm receives bronze level certification from Sustainable Schools NJ



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Back to School Citywide Clean up



CLEAN UP Day!



CCSD Retirements: Thank you

Cheryl Lucas

Elementary teacher, 25 years of service

Zenaida Ortiz

Bilingual teacher, 23 years of service

Josefina Soto

Health and social services coordinator, 25 years of service