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PCHS Schoolwide Goals 2016-2017

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The PCHS Schoolwide Goals are developed annually by the PCHS Board of Trustees and the School Leadership Team. The goals incorporate stakeholder input, the PCHS Long Term Strategic Plan (LTSP), Local Control Accountability Plan (LCAP), and WASC Action Plan. The Schoolwide Goals are revisited monthly in Board and LTSP meetings to ensure that the school is making measurable and meaningful progress.

Goal 1: PCHS will continue to foster:

- 1) Appropriate types of communication for all stakeholders in order to ensure a respectful, well-informed community
- 2) A sincere consideration of communications
- 3) An understanding of the appropriate avenues of communication
- Ensure transparent and regular communications regarding important school issues Use multiple methods to communicate when possible
- Tailor communication to audience (students/Schoology; parents/email)
- Keep all stakeholders on the same page with content
- Streamline information on website and in newsletter
- Assess marketability: Accessibility and appeal
- Gather ongoing feedback regarding effectiveness of communication
- Increase levels of annual stakeholder survey participation
- Keep participants informed in the decision making process/steps
- Tell our charter story before someone does it for us (wider communities)
- Include a point person in all communications that go out from the school
- Provide translations in meetings and publications.

 Provide training on communication and avenues for communication.

Goal 2: PCHS will continue to ensure that curriculum is aligned vertically and horizontally to ensure student success in all subjects.

Vertical alignment - organizing curriculum from one grade level or content area to the next Horizontal alignment - across the school and PLCs

- Develop a multi-year curriculum alignment plan
- Map current grading policies to determine commonalities
- Develop a schoolwide grading policy that ensures fairness and consistency
- Incorporate ongoing student feedback systems
- Identify resources needed to move further with goal Where are we and where do we want to go?
- Provide more support for PLCs (Math and World Language identified in Columbia Stakeholder Survey)

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- PLC on the job training and curriculum alignment to standards and PLC content. Instructional support will be offered through coaches.
- Incorporate Every Student Succeeds Act (reauthorization of No Child Left Behand)
- Determine measurements and SMART goals (Academic Accountability Committee, LTSP, Curriculum Council, Departments, PLCs/SLCs)
- Align measurements to the PCHS Local Control Accountability Plan

Goal 3: PCHS will continue to increase student success through positive classroom climate and increasing student pass rates.

- Continue to review and revise grading policies/classroom policies
- Encourage a growth mindset among all stakeholders
- Provide professional development designed to Increase positive student/teacher relationships
- Encourage differentiation at all levels and provide support for success
- Increase diversity in honors/AP classes and provide a continuum of rigor
- Collect data to monitor success
- Expand summer Dolphin Leadership Academy through broader outreach and early identification
- Summer reading Incorporate inspirational, motivational books that promote positive self-image (Carol Dweck, John Wooden, etc.)
- Design, administer, and analyze the results of common assessments in all departments by the first progress report period (10weeks). Results will be analyzed by the PLC coordinator with Director of Academic Achievement with the Administrative Team.

Goal 4: PCHS will foster a positive school climate by continuing to build trust among students, parents, faculty, staff, administrators, and Board members by educating all stakeholders about the needs and concerns of other stakeholder groups, demonstrating respect for all types of diversity, and increasing cohesion, connectedness, and compassion at all levels.

- Provide professional development for all employees regarding listening to and understanding student challenges/experiences, responding with compassion and respect
- Continue lessons/teaching for students regarding respect/compassion for others (fellow students & other stakeholders)
- Provide training for parents regarding school systems, ways to be involved
- Schedule meetings at alternate times to accommodate a variety of parent schedules
- Provide transportation to assist parents with attending evening and Saturday meetings
- Educate all stakeholders on the Student Bill of Rights and Responsibilities and the impetus for creating it, emphasizing responsibilities along with rights
- Continue training with culture and climate facilitators as specified in the two-year plan

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- Administer stakeholder surveys to assess progress. Work to increase participation in surveys to get a more accurate idea of true level of specific concerns and progress
- Promote campus-wide wellness pursuant to the PCHS Wellness Policy
- Inclusion of social emotional learning ideas in curriculum
- Provide easy access to information for parents about how to assist struggling students and who to contact with concerns
- Information sheet for parents regarding who they can contact to speak with someone who can communicate in their native language Specify language spoken, name, and contact info
- Launch a mentor program for student and parents
- Analyze/address declining diversity
- Transportation access, scholarships, etc.
- Review admission process (charter preferences)

Goal 5: PCHS will identify sources of funding, personalize the fundraising with focused goals and projects, and set measurable short- and long-term goals.

- Form a grant committee to research and develop grant opportunities
- Form a development committee quarterly meetings
- Involve PCHS Alumni Association with fundraising campaigns
- Form CTE grant committee to maximize CTE opportunities
- Collaborate with Chamber of Commerce and other civic and philanthropic groups
- Increase amount of funds raised by 10% over the prior year
- Create a culture of giving involving students, staff, and parents
- Administer development survey to determine what appeals to potential donors
- Provide Annual Fundraising Report with mid-term update
- Monitor fundraising activities to ensure compliance with PCHS Fundraising Policy provisions