

Strategic Plan for School Success: Career Education Center Middle College of Denver

I. Denver Public Schools Mission and Denver Plan Goals

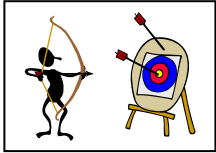
The mission of DPS is to provide all students the opportunity to achieve the knowledge and skills necessary to become contributing citizens in our society.

The Denver Plan: The Specific Goals Necessary to Achieving the Academic Mission of DPS

Goal 1: Our children will learn from a highly-skilled faculty in every school that is empowered by robust professional development and timely assessment data.

Components:

- A) A coherent Instructional Reform Plan will set high expectations for all students.
- B) Differentiated professional development opportunities for faculty members.
- C) Differentiated professional development opportunities in diversity training.
- D) A comprehensive assessment strategy to provide timely information on academic growth.
- E) A best-in-class organization will recruit, hire, develop, and retain highly qualified staff.



Goal 2: Highly-trained principals and assistant principals will serve as instructional leaders.

Components:

- A) DPS will articulate well-defined role for both principal and asst. principals as instructional leaders.
- B) A best-in-class organization will attract and retain the best principals and assistant principals.
- C) Differentiated professional development for principals and assistant principals.

Goal 3: Collaboration among the Denver community and all DPS stakeholders will support our children in a safe, orderly, and enriching environment in every school and classroom.

Components:

- A) Parents will help students realize academic success.
- B) The community will support DPS.
- C) Each school will work with the community to establish and intentional and positive school climate.
- D) All students will demonstrate excellent school attendance – 97% ADA.
- E) A coherent, system-wide safety and security system.
- F) Administrators will operate DPS with maximum efficiency and accountability.

II. CEC's Mission and Goals

Mission within DPS: **The students of CEC will be passionate about a chosen career.**

CEC School Improvement Plan: Specific Goals Necessary to Achieving the Mission of CEC in DPS

Goal 1 (Academic - CSAP):

A. Writing: By 2010, 65% of 9th & 10th gr. students will score proficient or above on the CSAP WRITING exam. [55% prf./adv. by 2009]:

Grade	Increase needed for 2009	Target '09	Target '10
9 th gr.	+13 percentage points	55% P/A	65%
10 th gr.	+20 percentage points	55% P/A	65%

Milestone: 5% increase per benchmark through year.

B. Math: By 2010, 49% of 9th & 10th gr. students will score proficient or above on the CSAP MATH exam. [39% prf./adv. by 2009]:

Grade	Increase needed for 2009	Target '09	Target '10
9 th gr.	+ 5 percentage points	39% P/A	49%
10 th gr.	+ 23 percentage points	39% P/A	49%

Milestone: 5% increase per benchmark and kids in tutoring; 75% id'd in Sat.School.

Strategies:

- Utilize data teams and small learning community process to refine instruction; write in all classes.
- Opportunities for tutoring, double-block sophomores, develop Saturday School; math in all classes (implied).

Goal 2 (Academic – Career):

A. “Concentrators.” By 2010, 67% of students will be identified at the “concentrator” level as measured by CO Community College System data. [57% by 2009]

B. Intern, Practicum, Post-Secondary. 82% of 11th & 12th gr. students will participate in an internship, practicum, and/or post-secondary class by 2010

Milestone: 3% increase per semester.

Strategies:

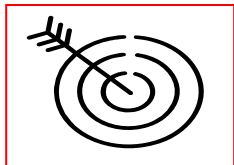
- Integration of Career and Academic core components at CEC.
- Involve students and parents in development of personal educational and career growth plans.
- Staff, students, and industry will work together to make meaningful use of personal planning efforts.
- CEC staff will reach-out to post-secondary partners to build the model in transitioning all students.

Goal 3 (Parent and Community): Increase parent participation/engagement at CEC from 1% to 10% in 2008, 15% by 2010 as measured by parent activity logs. [12.5% participation by '09, 15% minimum by 2010]

Strategies:

- Parent participation opportunities in CEC: BBQ, parent sign-ups, translation services.
- Build on existing partnerships with community; promote CEC businesses to community.

Milestone: 2 parent events per semester.



Milestone: MyCap 2x per yr.; implement plans of study.