Commitment to Action
Denver Plan 2020

Our Vision: Every Child Succeeds

Great Schools in Every Neighborhood

GOALS
A Foundation for Success in School
Support for the Whole Child
Ready for College & Career
Close the Opportunity Gap

STRATEGIES
Leadership
Teaching
Flexibility
Invest Early
Culture

CORE BELIEFS
Every child has talent and potential.
Our diversity is a community treasure.
We can and will eliminate the opportunity gap.
We must dramatically accelerate our progress.
Every family deserves choice and access.
Our kids need all of us.

SHARED CORE VALUES
Students First
Integrity
Equity
Collaboration
Accountability
Fun
Review the Denver Plan 2020 Goals and Our Shared Core Values.

How will you use one of our Shared Core Values to support the accomplishment of one of our Denver Plan Goals?
Personal Vision:

In 3-5 sentences, share how you can use your responsibilities, motivators and strengths to reach your desired impacts (your vision for our students). What is the legacy you hope to leave?

“The very essence of leadership is that you have to have vision. You can't blow an uncertain trumpet.” Theodore Hesburgh

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Living Our Shared Core Values Behaviors

On a scale of 1 to 5 (with 5 being the highest), rate how well you are living the Shared Core Values.

**Students First: We put our kids’ needs at the forefront of everything we do.**
- Makes decisions that put students first and holds people accountable for doing the same
- Changes practices and makes decisions to put what is best for our students, before what is best for adults
- Gives students the tools and resources they need to succeed and advance
- Is culturally responsive and honors students through supporting their needs, life experiences, cultures and families
- Supports the child’s educational, safety, social and emotional needs to help him or her thrive
- Seeks opportunities to connect work with students
- Motivates students to strive for their dreams using asset-based approaches to identify and build on student strengths

**Rating:** [Insert Rating]

**Integrity: We tell the truth, and we keep our promises.**
- Actions match words
- Behaves consistently with respect for self and others
- Does the right thing even when no one is looking
- Does the right thing even when it is inconvenient
- Acts with authenticity, honesty, professionalism and transparency
- Acknowledges and addresses input, data and information even when it is difficult to do so

**Rating:** [Insert Rating]

**Equity: We celebrate our diversity and will provide the necessary resources and supports to eliminate barriers to success and foster a more equitable future for all our kids.**
- Uses conflict resolution protocols to engage in difficult conversations about race and other inequities
- Challenges and changes practices to ensure what we do works for all students
- Consistently asks whose voice is missing
- Is inclusive in his or her work by involving others (parents, students, community members and educators)
- Acknowledges limits of one’s own perspective and personal bias
- Provides differentiated support to students and educators
- Engages promptly and effectively with everyone regardless of role

**Rating:** [Insert Rating]
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Collaboration: Together as a team, we think, we work and we create in order to reach our goals.
- Contributes to the team as a learner and a leader
- Recognizes the strength in individuals working as a team and puts energy into ensuring one’s team lives the Shared Core Values in pursuing goals
- Leverages people’s strengths
- Builds relationships across Our DPS
- Is open-minded, flexible and adaptable
- Models shared decision-making to reach the best decision and supports the next steps
- Provides opportunities for multiple perspectives to be heard and captured

Accountability: We take responsibility for our individual and collective commitments; we grow from our success; we learn from failure.
- Seeks opportunity for continuous improvement and communicates the “why”
- Explains and communicates reasons for decisions
- Gives, receives and applies feedback
- Does what they say they will do and when they say they will do it; and works to make it right when they don’t or finds a solution if they cannot
- Commits to providing excellent service and products
- Delivers results

Fun: We celebrate the joy in our work and foster in our students a joy and passion learning to last their whole lives.
- Brings joy to one’s work and others
- Begins positive; remains positive; ends positive. Chooses one’s attitude
- Recognizes people and their contributions in ways that are meaningful to individuals
- Taps into one’s passion for learning and motivations for impact
- Creates an atmosphere where a person can be their authentic self
- Engages educators and students to foster a spirit of Our DPS
- Finds opportunities to “make their day”
- Engages in lifelong learning

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As a ________________________________ _________________________

I will commit to ________________________________ _________________________

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by __________________________________

by living our Shared Core Value of ________________________________ _________________________

by ________________________________ _________________________

(Date)

by living our Shared Core Value of ________________________________ _________________________

(Value)

to ensure ________________________________ _________________________

(Denver Plan 2020 Goal)

to reach our vision,

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