

The Importance of Diversity Equity & Inclusion in a Leadership Vision

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Components of a Leadership Vision

- Board of Education Approved Equity Policy
- District Equity Statement
- Develop Vision & Mission Statements with embedded DEI
- Establish DEI Priorities into Strategic Plan



Commitment to Equity & Excellence

Danbury Public Schools develop a policy demonstrating its commitment to equity.



OUR VISION, MISSION & VALUES



Danbury Public Schools aspires to advance ALL learners to their highest potential.

MISSION Danbury Public Schools, in partnership with families and the community, provides transformational learning experiences, designed to nurture thoughtful and prepared graduates.

EQUITY STATEMENT

VISION

Danbury Schools believes that all students can learn and be successful with quality teaching and individualized resources. The District is committed to improving educational outcomes for all children by fostering such a learning environment. Danbury Public Schools is responsible for ensuring equity in our practices and policies and creating safe, respectful, and welcoming environments. Educational Equity in Danbury means that students experience joy in learning and can see themselves reflected in the content and context of their learning, as well as the educators who serve them. Our actions - the intentional and thoughtful removal of barriers and biases and the development of policies and practices that lead to successful outcomes - are driven by inclusion and a reputation for excellent education in Danbury Public Schools

Strategic Plan - Guiding Principles

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PRINCIPLES

We are committed to ensuring ALL students are at the center of every action and decision by developing systems of support that focus on five critical components:

Teaching and Learning

Provide equitable learning environments and culturally relevant curricular experiences, by working relentlessly to provide the opportunities and professional resources needed to help students reach unbounded success.

Talent Acquisition

Recruit, employ, and retain a culturally competent workforce that reflects the full diversity of our students.

School Culture

Promote a welcoming and nurturing school culture focused on developing meaningful relationships, high academic expectations and partnerships with students, families, teachers, staff, and the community.

Professional Capacity

Develop effective leaders and teachers through relevant, job-embedded professional learning and ongoing support of continuous improvement for all educators.

Operations, Fiscal Responsibility and Advocacy

Ensure coherence and equity regarding the staffing, resource allocation, and operational funding of district, school and program improvement, that meets the needs of our school community.







TEACHING & LEARNING

We will provide equitable learning environments and experiences that are rigorous, inclusive, and culturally responsive that prepare learners for post secondary success.



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STAFF DEVELOPMENTWe will develop and enhance the skills of

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TALENT ACQUISITION

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We will recruit, employ and retain a culturally responsive workforce that embraces diversity and best supports the educational needs of our students.



SCHOOL CLIMATE

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Promote a safe supportive learning environment that nurtures the social emotional growth and civic responsibilities for all students, families and staff.





MEANINGFUL COLLABORATION

We will partner with families, communities and the public and private sectors to foster vested interest in schools and collectively create opportunities for deeper engagement for student learning and success.



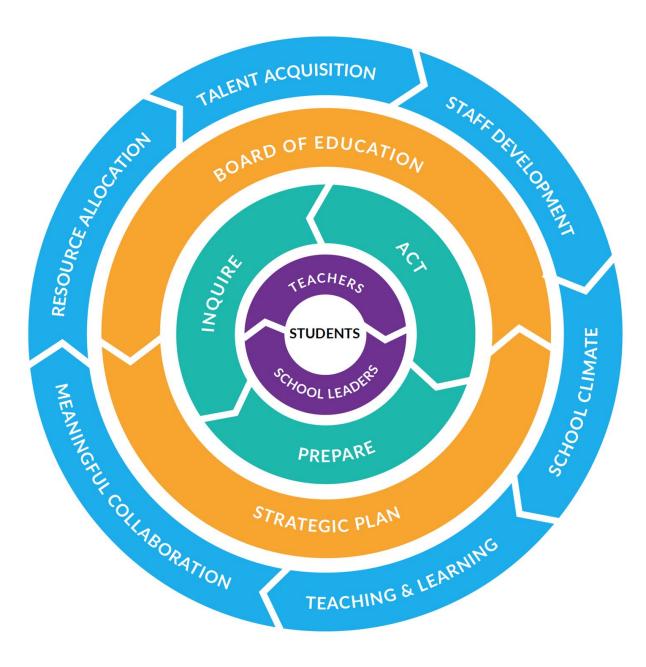
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COHERENCE

We will establish measurements and review data regularly to monitor compliance with our plan.



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