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Daniel A. Nerad, Superintendent of Schools

November 24, 2010

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Board of Education

FROM: Daniel A. Nerad, Superintendent

Madison,

RE:

Strategic Plan – Action Plans Update, End of Year One Progress and Strategic

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Priorities

I. Introduction

Title/topic - Action Plans Update, End of Year One Progress and Strategic Priorities

B. Presenter/contact person -

Superintendent, Deputy Superintendent, and Department Directors

- **C.** Background information The Strategic Plan is in its second year of implementation. Attached are several documents:
 - a. The 2009-10 Status Reports which were provided to you last spring (set of color coded documents) followed by,
 - b. a document outlining suggestions from the Strategic Plan Annual meeting,
 - c. followed by an edited version to the end of the year plan based on input from the Strategic Plan Annual Meeting,
 - d. followed by a base line document for Year Two with staff changes regarding administrative designees for each strategy. Staff changes were based on the reorganization plan and progress to date on year two action plans will be provided in January 2011.
 - e. In addition to the Strategic Plan, the final document labeled "Strategic Priorities" is provided to you in draft form as an attempt to outline the major components of the Strategic Plan in simpler terms.
- D. BOE action requested Approval of the Strategic Plan-Year Two, which has been modified based on community input provided at the end of the year meeting at the Goodman Center and approval of the Strategic Priorities document.

II. Summary of Current Information

- A. Provide summary The year two priorities and status will come to the BOE in January 2011.
- B. Recommendations and/or alternative recommendation(s) It is recommended that Board of Education approve the Strategic Plan-Year Two and the Strategic Priorities document.

C. Link to supporting detail – These documents are subsets to the Strategic Plan dated June 2009.

III. Implications

- **A. Budget** The budget items within this document are identified in the district's annual budget.
- B. Strategic Plan These documents are a subset of the original Strategic Plan.
- **C.** Equity Plan Continuous updates of this plan will include the priorities in the Equity Report.
- **D.** Implications for other aspects of the organization This plan interfaces with all aspects of the organization.

IV. Supporting Documentation -

- A. Three versions of the Strategic Plan Action Plans are attached:
 - a. The first version is a duplicate of the copy you received in June. This version had updated Year 1 Priorities for each action plan. At the very end of this version is a copy of the feedback from the Strategic Plan Annual Meeting.
 - b. The second version has edits based on feedback received at the Annual Meeting in May. Edits are underscored or crossed out.
 - c. The third version has all the edits incorporated and is labeled "Year Two (2010-11)." This version is the beginning point for this year's work.
- B. Strategic Plan Priorities Draft dated November 22, 2010.

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Daniel A. Nerad, Superintendent of Schools

Appendix LLL-12-7 June 14, 2010

June 3, 2010

MEMORANDUM

To:

Members of the Board of Education

From:

Daniel A. Nerad, Superintendent

Subject:

Strategic Plan Annual Meeting

We had a very productive Strategic Plan 1st Annual Update meeting on Wednesday, May 26 at the Goodman Community Center. This was a time to provide the community with information about progress on the Year 1 Priorities by Action Plans and receive feedback. It was also a time to receive input around setting priorities for the 2010-2011 school year.

Attached are the updated Year 1 Priorities by Action Plans and the feedback by table groups from those in attendance.

Our next step is to review this information and the recommendations from the table groups on 2010-2011 Priorities with the administrative chairs of each of the Action Plans. We will then come back to the Board with recommendations for 2010-2011.

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Madison Metropolitan School District

Strategic Planning -1st Annual Update

May 26, 2010, 5:00-9:00 p.m. Goodman Community Center

Facilitator - Dr. Keith Marty

Agenda

WelcomeMaya Cole, President, Board of EducationDaniel Nerad, Superintendent of Schools, Madison MetropKeith Marty, Facilitator, Superintendent of Schools, Menon	
Introductions, Setting Expectations	Daniel Nerad, Keith Marty
Community Building Activity	Keith Marty
Review of Documents	Daniel Nerad
Core Performance Measures	Kurt Kiefer
Year 1 Priorities by Action Plans: Student	Lisa Wachtel, Jennie Allen Tim Peterson, Nancy Yoder Robert Nadler, Pam Nash Kurt Kiefer, Ken Syke
Setting Priorities for 2010-2011	Keith Marty
Next Steps - Report to the Board of Education	Daniel Nerad, Keith Marty
Closing	Daniel Nerad

Materials Available:

- Strategic Plan (sets at tables)
- Strategic Plan Action Plans Year 1 Priorities
- Core Performance Measures
- Strategic Plan Action Plans All Priorities

Student Action Plan – Achievement for All Students										
Action Step	Priority	Critical Issue	Responsible Personnel	Time Frame	Visible Result.	Resources Needed	Status			
Define successful MMSD graduate outcomes: Content knowledge Civic-minded skills Life-enriching skills Social-emotional skills	1	Opportunity for Success	Assistant Superintendent to identify a team consisting of: Middle/High school staff, T & L, Ed Services, Student Services Curriculum Action Team	November 2009	1. An Action Team is developed that includes leaders from our schools, business community, technical schools, Institutes of Higher Education, parents, and students. Composition of team will include leaders from our schools, business community, technical schools, Institutes of Higher Education, parents, and students.	Existing resources	Completed .			
2. Define successful MMSD graduate.	4	Opportunity for Success	Assistant Superintendent and Action Team		Definition of successful MMSD graduate aligned to mission with desired outcomes in the following areas: 1. Content knowledge based on ACT college/career readiness standards. 2. Civic-minded skills aligned to the standards outlined by the Partnership for 21 st Century Skills. 3. Life-enriching skills which may include but is not limited to: extra-curricular activities (athletics, clubs, organizations) and service learning opportunities. 4. Social-emotional skills based on the MMSD social emotional learning standards	1. Extended employment compensation for meetings/work time beyond contract day. Approximate cost estimate: 300 total hours x \$15.00/hr = \$4,500; 20 (1/2 day subs = \$2000; total = \$6,500. 2. Food costs when meetings take place during dinner hours. Approximate cost estimate: \$1,000 3. Possible consulting fee(s)	Completed a draft document (not yet ready for external dissemination).			

Action Step Pr	rilority	Critical Issue	Responsible Personnel	Time Frame	Visible Result (SELS). 5. Career awareness which	Resources Needed	Status
					may include but is not limited to the student's knowledge of personal interests/skills/values; understanding of the 16 Career Clusters which describe the world of work; developmentally-appropriate mastery of 21st-Century Skills; a plan which incorporates the student's knowledge of personal interests/skills/values, his/her understanding of the world of work, and his/her mastery of 21st-Century Skills into a career pathway identifying appropriate post-secondary education and employment options.		
3. Develop and implement an electronic-based individual learning plan (ILP) for all MMSD students, prioritizing students in grades 9 – 12 in initial implementation.		All Students; Opportunity for Success	Superintendents to identify an ILP Action Team.	Done	with University of Wisconsin staff to meet the unique needs of the MMSD. The ILP will be based off of the WisCareers platform which will interface with Infinite Campus, the District's information management system. 2. Identify a subgroup of the ILP	programming development/evaluati on fee to enable the ILP to interface with Infinite Campus (\$ 17,000).	Completed template for K-5 and 9 th grade. This is electronic and both are ready to begin in the fall.

Action Step	Priority	Critical Issue	Responsible Personnel	Time Frame	Visible Result	Resources Needed	Statu
	1	-	Superintendents, Instructional Council, and ILP Action Team. Assistant Superintendents and ILP Action Team.	October, 2009 March, 2009	implementation plan that includes a mechanism for feedback and evaluation (e.g., survey instruments, external evaluation conducted by the Wisconsin Center for Educational Research).	time for teachers/staff. Approximate cost	
				2010-11	Implement the ILP professional development plan district-wide with fidelity.	This is dependent upon the implementation plan.	

Student Action Plan – Action Step	Critical Issue	Responsible Personnel	Time.	-Visible≀Result	Resources Needed	Status
		ILP Action Team, and building administrators.	Great and are a series of the company		release or already scheduled professional development days, the costs can be significantly reduced. Alternative options include: 1. Extended employment and or substitute release time for teachers/staff. 2. Food costs when meetings take place during dinner hours.	
4. Establish and implement a consistent system of measurable outcomes to determine student, school, and district progress in eliminating the achievement gap.	Achievement Gap; All Students; Opportunity for Success	Management Team	in progress to be completed by 2010 school year	Develop a multi layer system of measurement to be established and implemented. Measurement system includes but is not limited to: Formal assessments (e.g., WKCE, Explore, Plan) Student progress relative to ILP goals and success/ progress over time High school completion rates Student participation in continuing education	Members of Management Team will participate in developing system of measurement. Staff from Research and Evaluation will need to be active participants. Additional Research Staff to support the multiple data measurements.	Completed

Student Action Plan – A	chieveme	ent for All Stu	dents				
Action Step	Priority	Critical Issue	Responsible Personnel	Time Frame	Visible Result	Resources Needed	Status
					opportunities beyond high school (two draft surveys have been completed: senior survey and post graduation outcomes survey) The following assumptions are used across all measures: All metrics will come from an existing source whenever possible, e.g., DPI WINSS, ISES, School Performance Report, etc. All metrics related to students will be disaggregated by the following groups if the data are available: gender, DPI or MMSD race/ethnicity categories, income status (i.e., low income vs. not low income), special education status, English Language Learner (ELL) status. Up to three years of data will be used for an historical analysis. Some measure will not have that much history as they are recent or being created for the first time with this project.		

Student Action Plan – A	chieveme	ent for All Stu	dents				
Action Step	Priority	Critical Issue	Responsible Personnel	Time Frame	Visible Résult	Resources Needed	Status
					See attached document for complete list of measurements.		
6. Develop and implement partnerships to prepare every	1	Achievement Gap; Opportunity for Success	Superintendent and Assistant Superintendent for	Committee will be established once 4K is	Continue partnership with United Way for Play and Learn.	Staff Time	Ongoing planning
student for kindergarten (EC options, Play and Learn, K-Ready Summer School, and universal 4-K)			1	approved.	Continue to work with the 4Kcommunity group (40 members) until 4K is a reality.		
					Continue quarterly meetings with After School programs (which also serve early childhood children)		
					Develop a permanent Early Childhood Leadership Team from the existing 4K		
					Committee, which is well representative of the community. The purpose of the committee is to review the 4K programs in the schools and		
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Student Action Plan – Ac	hievemen	t for All Stud	dents			
Action Step	Priority 0		Responsible Personnel	. Visible Result	Resources Needed	Status
				early childhood communication with MMSD.		

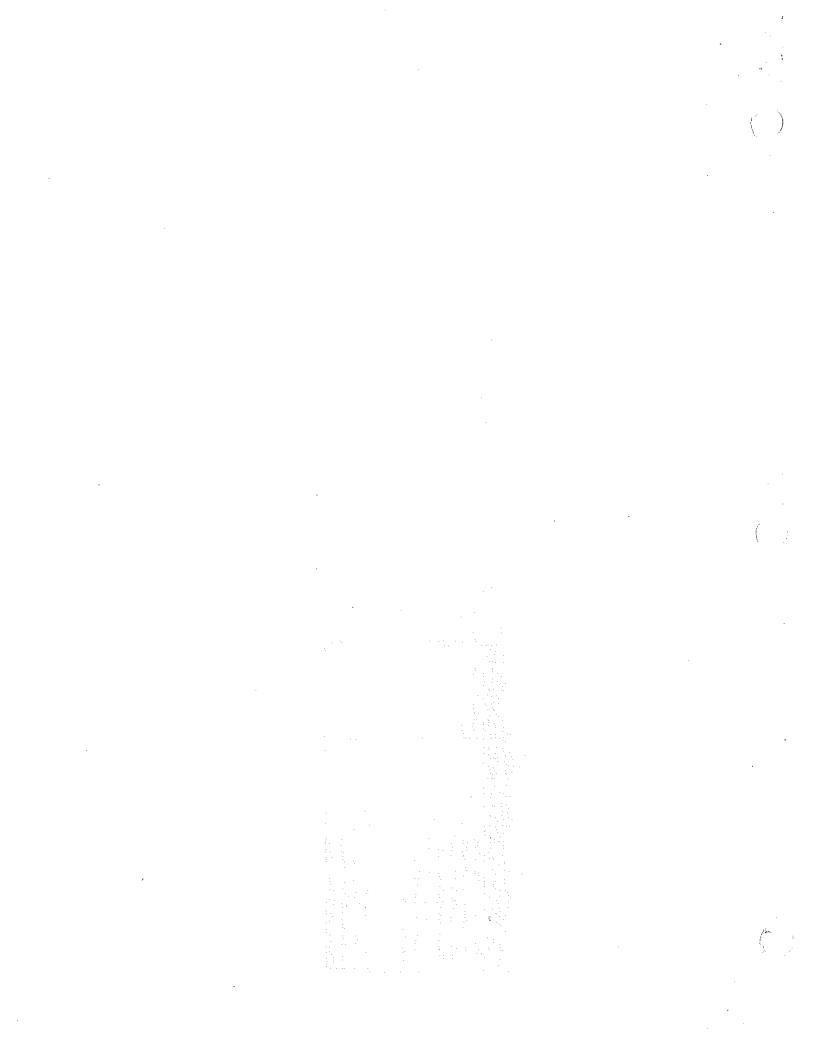
Student Action Plan - Re			Responsible	Time		Resources	
Action Step 1. Identify and implement multiple strength-based measures of staff, student, and family relationships.	1	Crifical Issue Safe and Welcoming	Management Team	Frame	Visible Result Establish internal MMSD group of staff, administration and parents to create strength- based measures that includes the following: • development of tools • communication plan, • accountability measures, • ongoing professional development for staff, • data review plan • connection to SIP and DIP	Research and Evaluation and School Improvement Planning will need to commit considerable time and resources to this action step.	Status In process. Accountability measures are complete.
2. A school communication plan is developed and consistently followed across all schools. (Examples may include Infinite Campus Parent portal, district and school web sites, school and teacher newsletters, and community meetings.)		Opportunity for Success	Instructional Council	2010-2011	The most important result will be improved parental involvement of traditionally disengaged families. Community mid-year meeting at Marquette. Open Classroom meeting in May with parents.	District leadership will need to determine the best departmental assignment for this action step, encompassing the setting of the standard and developing processes for planning at the school level.	Year 2 development
Identify and implement a professional development plan for teaching relationship-building skills	3	Improving Staff	Principals and Departments	2010-2011	Improved sense of community reported by students on selected Climate Survey items.	This action step will rely on collaborative work including district	

Student Action Plan - Re	lationsh	ips					
Action Step	Priority	Gritical Issue	Responsible Personnel	Time Frame	Visible Result	Resources Needed	Status
including overcoming barriers and creating high expectations for all students. This involves both staff-student and staff-staff relationships.					Reorganization will support this with a PD Department.	and school-based expertise, MSCR, and other community resources.	
4. Analyze new and existing systems of support (e.g., Positive Behavior Support, problem-solving intervention teams, accelerated learning opportunities) and identify and implement a consistent set of community building activities and programs for use across all schools. (Examples Tribes, responsive classrooms, Fix-It Plans, and Caring Classrooms among others.)		Safe and Welcoming; Improving Staff	Student Services, Instructional Council, and Principals	2010-2011	Consistent implementation of activities and programs across schools. PBS Models across all of the schools.	Consistent evaluation plan and method of sharing results.	In process.
5. Identify and implement innovative and effective school structures that enhance staff-student relationships. (Examples include multi-age classrooms, small class sizes, smaller learner communities, and houses among others.)		Achievement Gap; Safe and Welcoming	Principals and Instructional Council	2011-2012	Consistent implementation of structures across schools. HS Redesign Sennett School Instructional Design BOE Discussion on Magnets and Charters at end of year Multi-Age Work Group Ready Set Goal Conferences and ILP	Consistent evaluation plan and method of sharing results.	
Identify existing school- community resources and partnerships. Establish common student achievement and social	3	Opportunity for Success; Resource Allocation	Principals, Departments, and Instructional Council	2010-2011	Plan in place Madison Foundation BOE Common School	Survey of schools	Year 3.

 Student Action Plan - Re	lationshi	ips			
Action Step	Priority			Visible Result	Status
emotional outcomes. Determine gaps that may exist across schools. Coordinate programs equitably across schools.			·	Measures Social Emotional Leadership Standards Equity Report	

 Student Action Plan - Tra	ansitions							
Action/Step			Responsible Personnel	Time Frame	Visible Result			Status
The definitions of each transition category will be communicated across the district.	1	Opportunity for Success	Assistant Superintendents	October 31 of each year	All stakeholders are knowledgeable of the definitions of each category.	•	Que Pasa Web page	In process. Will communicate at K- 12 principal meetings.
2. District departments and each school will assess gaps and needs based upon the transition categories, leading to planned improvements and new strategies. A planning document will be developed to ensure that all relevant transition categories are addressed.	2	Achievement Gap; Opportunity for Success	Collaborative process with staff, parents, and community stakeholders	October 31 of each year	All stakeholders will be knowledgeable of the transition plans for each level to communicate needs of children to close the achievement gap.	* * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * *	Sub release/ extended employment Food/snacks Supplies Transportation Adequate child care Professional development for staff Marketing Plan (see #1)	In process. Will process at K-12 principal meetings.

Student Action Plan - Transitions											
Action Step	220000000000000000000000000000000000000	Gritical Issue		Time Frame	Visible Result	Resources Needed	Status				
3. The district and school will develop instruments to determine levels of satisfaction for each transition category to reach the goal. School grade level staff, principal, and parents will be surveyed annually.	3	Opportunity for Success	Information Services Department: Research and Evaluation	instrument that has	Survey is in place annually and the results of survey indicate satisfaction of the transition process across the district.	R&E staff to develop instrument	Year 3,				
Departments and schools will use the data from the instruments to determine transition plans for improvement for future years.	3	Opportunity for Success	Assistant Superintendents, and SIP Committees	October 31 of each year	SIP reflects improvement goals.	See #2	Year 3.				



Staff Action Plan—Professional Development										
Action Step	Priority	Critical Issue	Responsible Personnel	Time . Frame	Visible Result	Resources : Needed	Status			
The district will develop site-based and district-wide [professional learning communities/teams to foster continuous improvement in leadership and in quality instructional practices for all students in all curricular areas, including cultural relevance.	Ţm	Improving Staff	Superintendent, assistant superintendents.	January 2010	Effective learning communities/teams are in all schools District-wide team created consisting of central office administrators, teachers, principals, and school-based instructional leaders	Extended employment and/or sub release Professional development	Embedded professional development is being discussed. Reorganization plan calls for this.			
2. All staff members will regularly collaborate within one or more established professional learning community (les)/team(s) to engage in a continuous cycle of improvement focused on student learning and engagement and workplace culture.	1		Superintendent, Assistant Superintendents, District-wide team	September 2009 on-going thereafter	Students will: 1. attain or exceed grade level proficiency in core subject areas 2. acquire and apply critical thinking, problem solving and communication skills 3. engage in civic activity 4. be active participants in shaping their learning experiences 5. acquire and apply skills needed to live and contribute in a diverse local and global community 6. acquire and apply skills needed for personal growth and well-being and creative expression	Staff time Professional development	SIP plans are collaborative and done by feeder pattern so middle and high schools are "on the same page".			
The district will collaborate with the community to develop inclusive culturally responsive schools	~	Improving Staff	Superintendent, Assistant Superintendents, and/or management team members will create a team	2009-2010	District-wide leadership team established See visible results for step	Staff time Extended employment and/or sub release	Hired secondary level culturally responsive expert to work with schools. This mirrors the elementary position already in place.			

Staff Action Plan—Professi	onal De	velopment					
Action Step	Priority	Critical Issue	Responsible Personnel	Time Frame	Visible Result	Resources - Needed	Status
4. The district will implement supervision and evaluation procedures to support all instructional staff in meeting or exceeding proficiency with established state standards throughout their careers. This will facilitate high-quality instructional practices, evidence-based methodologies, culturally responsive practices, and 21st Century technologies, content, and skills so as	1		consisting of: district-wide leadership committee which includes community stakeholders, Special Assistant to the Superintendent for Race and Equity, and Culturally Relevant Resource Teachers Superintendent, Assistant Superintendents, Director of Human Resources	2009-2010	See visible results action step 2.	Existing Resources	Adoption of the Act Career & College Readiness Standards and the ACT EPAS assessments.
to ensure high levels of learning by all students. (Consistent with TAG Plan and Equity Force Recommendations)					:		
The district will develop systems and approaches to coordinate and link professional development initiatives.	1	Improving Staff	Superintendent, Assistant Superintendents, Instructional Council	2009-2012	Professional development plan aligned with strategic priorities.	Existing Resources	Reorganization plan creates PD department.

Staff Action Plan—Recru	Staff Action Plan—Recruiting and Retaining Staff										
		Critical Issue	Responsible	Time Frame	Visible Result	Resources Needed	Status				
Establish a plan similar to Future Teachers of America to attract high school students of color into the field of education and teaching in MMSD—Teach for Madison.	1	Staff Reflects Students	Assistant Superintendent- Secondary	2010-2012	MMSD has a workforce of highly trained staff that teaches students what they need to know and inspire students to learn.	Staff time	La Follette will start a program with Edgewood College in fall.				
Establish strong relationships with university and college preservice teacher preparation programs similar to the Professional Development School model used by UW Madison.	1	Staff Reflects Students	Assistant Superintendents and Director of Select Govt Programs	2009-2010	MMSD has a workforce of highly trained staff that teaches students what they need to know and inspire students to learn.	Existing Resources	Ongoing conversations with U.W. School of Ed and Outreach.				
3. Enhance a hiring preference system for positively evaluated student teachers and administrative interns, and teacher/interns who are employed during summer school.	1	Staff Reflects Students	Director of Human Resources and Lead Elementary Principal	2009-2010	MMSD has a workforce of highly trained staff that teaches students what they need to know and inspire students to learn.	Existing Resources	HR has developed a system to capture this information and to add to the ranking of positively evaluated summer school staff, student teachers and interns.				
5. Create an early hire pool of teachers as a means to attract highly qualified candidates, including staff of color, and increased applicants in shortage areas.		Staff Reflects Students	Director of Human Resources	2009-2011	MMSD has a workforce of highly trained staff that teaches students what they need to know and inspire students to learn.	Existing Resources Travel Expenses	This year the ability to offer early contracts was greatly limited by the budget process and the uncertainty of the number of external hires we would have. We did interview and offer early contracts to 7 bilingual teachers.				
7. Expedite the advertisement of open positions and offer/acceptance procedure.		Staff Reflects Students	Director of Human Resources	2009-2011	Streamlined recruitment and hiring procedures	Existing Resources					
Annually review and evaluate the recruitment and hiring process.	. ,		Director of Human Resources	2009 and on- going thereafter	Streamlined recruitment and hiring procedures	Existing Resources	A report was submitted to the BOE on May 10 detailing the recruitment and hiring results of the District. This will be updated annually.				

Staff Action Plan—Recru	Staff Action Plan—Recruiting and Retaining Staff										
Action Step	Priority	Critical Issue	Responsible Personnel	Time Frame	Visible Result	Resources Needed	Status				
Develop a formal mentoring system for principals to mentor new principals – peer assistance system.	1	Staff Reflects Students	Assistant Superintendents	2009-2010		Existing Resources Plus a Small Stipend for Mentors	In discussion phase.				
12. Develop a culture that embodies the belief that retention of staff of color is every staff person's responsibility; include communities of color in retention efforts.	1	Staff Reflects Students	Special Assistant to the Superintendent for Race and Equity	2009-2012	MMSD has a workforce of highly trained staff that teaches students what they need to know and inspire students to learn.		New emphasis on community partnerships and engagement.				
13. Provide professional development for administrators to learn how to interview in a culturally competent manner.	1		Director of Human Resources, Director of Select Govt Programs and Special Asst to the Superintendent for Race and Equity	2009-2011	MMSD has a workforce of highly trained staff that teaches students what they need to know and inspire students to learn.	Consulting Fees	HR staff are working in collaboration with staff from the UW to develop an interview tool to assist with measuring cultural competence. This is expected to be completed in June of 2010.				

Curriculum Action Plan - Accelerated Learning										
Action Step		Critical Issue	Responsible Personnel	Time Frame	Visible Result	Resources Needed	Status			
Map current course sequences in all content areas K-12, identifying prerequisites and obstacles in order to improve achievement for all students and close the achievement gap, reduce barriers for all students and identify opportunity gaps. (See also TAG Plan, Goal 2)	1	Achievement Gap; All Students		Fall 2009	K-12 course sequence map by content area and school	Dedicated time from Teaching & Learning, Research and Evaluation	Completed High school course maps, pre- requisites and common course names In process Next steps to reduce barriers and obstacles due to pre-requisites and opportunity gaps.			
Analyze course sequences and allocate resources to address inconsistencies and inequities across the district.	1		Assistant Superintendents, Central Office, Principals	Winter 2009	Data available to inform restructuring of programs and accelerated learning systems prior to 2010-2011 budget cycle and staffing decisions	as needed	Completed High school course maps, pre- requisites and common course names and 3 year plan to provide equitable advanced placement (AP) courses. In process Next steps to address inconsistencies and inequities across the district. Work to provide equitable access to reading instruction and interventions in 6 th grade.			

Curriculum Action Plan -	urriculum Action Plan - Accelerated Learning											
*Action Step	Priority	Critical Issue	Responsible Personnel	Time Frame	Visible Result	Resources Needed	Status					
Analyze course enrollment and successful completion for all student groups to determine baseline data for comparison and growth. (See also Cultural Relevance Step 1)	1	All Students; Culturally Relevant	Research & Evaluation, Teaching & Learning	2009-2010	Completed analysis	Staff time	Completed					
Define rigor, accelerated learning and 21st Century skills to build common language and understanding.	1	21st Century; Curriculum Rigor	Teaching & Learning, Educational Services, School- based leadership	2009-2010	Document, to be updated periodically, detailing specific outcomes and the data showing results	Staff time;	Completed					
5. Use curriculum mapping (e.g., Eclipse) to determine standards-based outcomes and improve learning pathways and course sequence by identifying gaps and repetition. Focus initially at secondary level.	1-2	Curriculum Rigor	Teaching & Learning, Educational Services, School- based leadership	2009-2011	Revised elementary, middle and high school curricula	Extended employment through June 2010 (\$15/hr x 120 staff x 10 hours) \$18,000	Completed Selected high schools have analyzed course expectations based on College & Career Readiness Standards. 12 instructional leaders attended the Common Core Conference to gain District direction for implementation. Middle School World Languages K-6 Common Core Literacy standards 9-12 Common Core, College & Career Readiness Standards and ACT Quality					

Curriculum Action Plan - Accelerated Learning										
Action Step	Priority	Cfitical Issue	Responsible Personnel	Time Frame	Visible Result	Resources Needed	Status			
6. Implement cross-level teacher teams to increase and improve advanced course options ensuring intentional transition plans for students as they move from elementary to middle to high school to post secondary.	1-2	21st Century; Curriculum Rigor	Teaching & Learning, Educational Services, School- based leadership	2009-2011	Cross-level teacher teams established. Improved advanced course options, with diverse student enrollment	Professional development; Staff time	Social studies course sequences for 9- 10 th grade mapped at 3 high schools. In process District-wide use of curricular mapping aligned with College and Career Readiness Standards and/or Common Core Standards On-going 42 staff from 8 secondary schools participated in the 3-year DPI Advanced Placement Initiative Grant to build vertical alignment across grades.			
Improve academic outcomes and engagement for all students by implementing 2009 Board of Education approved TAG plan.	1	Achievement Gap; All Students	Teaching & Learning, TAG Division	2009-2012	Results as defined in the 2009 Board of Education approved TAG Plan	Resources as defined in the 2009 Board of Education approved TAG Plan.	Completed TAG Plan Updates to the Board of Education January and June, 2010.			

Curriculum Action Plan	Curriculum Action Plan - Accelerated Learning										
Action Step	Priority	Critical Issue	Responsible Personnel	Time Frame	Visible Result	Resources Needed	Status				
12. Improve academic outcomes and engage all students by implementing the 2009 Board of Education approved Fine Arts Task Force recommendations.	1	Opportunity for Success	Teaching & Learning, Fine Arts Division	Spring 2010		Action Step 3 Fine Arts Task Force Recommendations Charge 2, Rec. 5,	Completed Fine Arts Task Force Updates to the Board of Education on January and June, 2010.				
13. Improve academic outcomes and engage all students by implementing the Math Task Force Recommendations when approved by the Board of Education.	1	Opportunity for Success	Teaching & Learning, Mathematics Division	2009-2012	of Education approval of the Math Task Force Administrative Recommendations.	Resources as defined upon Board of Education approval of the Math Task Force Administrative Recommendations.	Completed Math Task Force Updates to the Board of Education on November, 2009 and May, 2010.				

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Curriculum Action Plan - Assessment										
Action Step	Priority	Critical Issue	District Control of the Control of t	Time Frame	Visible Result	Resources Needed	Status			
Review current MMSD assessment practices to determine assessment gaps.		21st Century Skillis	Research & Evaluation, Teaching & Learning, Educational Services	2009-2010	Assessment review documenting connections to student learning outcomes	Professional resources e.g. Common Formative Assessment (Corwin Press, 2006) (300 books x \$26) \$7800 Extended employment through June 2010 (\$15/hr x 25 staff x 15 hours) \$5,625	Completed District-wide assessment team established in October, 2009. All Departments have identified assessment gaps and tools to address those gaps. 150 staff members have engaged in book discussions around formative assessment and design			
Examine external assessments to analyze and inform MMSD curriculum, instruction and assessment.	1		Assistant Superintendents, Teaching & Learning, Educational Services		Documented list of external expectations in content areas that connect to District standards and learning outcomes		Completed Assessment pilots for: Benchmark Assessments TAG Assessments Reading Interventions			

Curriculum Action Plan -	Curriculum Action Plan – Civic Engagement									
Action Step	Priority	Critical Issue	Responsible Personnel	Time Frame	Visible Result	Resources Needed	Status			
Research effective, culturally relevant standards-based practices in Civic Engagement (e.g. service learning, participatory education and democratic classrooms)	1	21st Century Skills; Culturally Relevant	Teaching & Learning, Educational Services, Student Services	2009-2010	Recommend a definition of service learning for MMSD	Existing resources	Completed Teaching American History grant submitted based on current research in service learning and civic engagement.			
2. Map social studies curriculum to insure that Wisconsin High School Graduation Requirements and instruction in state and local governments (PI 18.03(1) (a)2) are fully met within the required MMSD 3 credit social studies course sequence requirements.	1-2	Curriculum Rigor	Teaching & Learning	2009-2011	Clear course guides and syllabi descriptions of required secondary level social studies courses indicating PI 18 is fully met	Existing resources	Completed High school course sequence, Learning gaps are identified. Resources provided to all high schools to embed instruction in state, local, tribal and government into required courses. In process Steps to resolve inconsistencies across high schools.			

Curriculum Action Plan – Cultural Relevance									
Action Step	Priority	Critical Issue	Responsible Personnel	Time Frame	Visible Result	Resources Needed	Status :		
Analyze course enrollment and successful completion by student groups to determine baseline data for comparison and growth. (See also Accelerated Learning Step 3).	1	All Students; Cultural Relevance	Research & Evaluation, Teaching & Learning	2009-2010	Completed analysis	Staff time	Completed		
Standards-based curriculum to incorporate and reflect the cultural backgrounds of district students (e.g. contemporary concerns and historic struggles of a variety of cultural groups). MMSD classrooms will evidence positive images and cultural references (arts, curricular materials, teaching resources) for all learners.	1	Cultural Relevance	Principals, Teaching & Learning, Educational Services	2009-2010	Cultural relevance walk through(s) will document the presence of standards-based curricula and classroom evidence that the cultural backgrounds of the students present are reflected.	Materials, sub release, professional development and 1.0 FTE teacher allocation has been requested and approved by the BOE under Title ARRA	Completed Intensive work at pilot schools (K-5). A series of walk throughs based on culturally relevant practices and data have been conducted (K-5)		

Action Step	Priority	Critical Issue	Responsible Personnel	Time Frame	Visible Result	Resources Needed	Status Status
3. Provide professional development for a small group of interested classroom teachers and support them with materials and intensive mentoring about culturally relevant curriculum, instruction and assessment. Initial pilot will be conducted at Mendota and Falk. Data from the pilot will be used to modify professional development and determine if expansion is appropriate.			Teaching & Learning, Cultural Relevance Division, Educational Services	2009-2010	Teaching practices of participating teachers will be more culturally relevant as measured by pilot evaluation plan and walk throughs (see Step 2).	development and 1.0 FTE teacher allocation has been requested and approved by the BOE under Title ARRA Professional development for	A year-long series of six strands of professional development have been provided at Falk and Mendota (K-5). In process Analysis of pre and post data from pilot schools (K-5) Launched multi-year professional development with secondary staff representing 7 middle and 4 high schools (6-12)

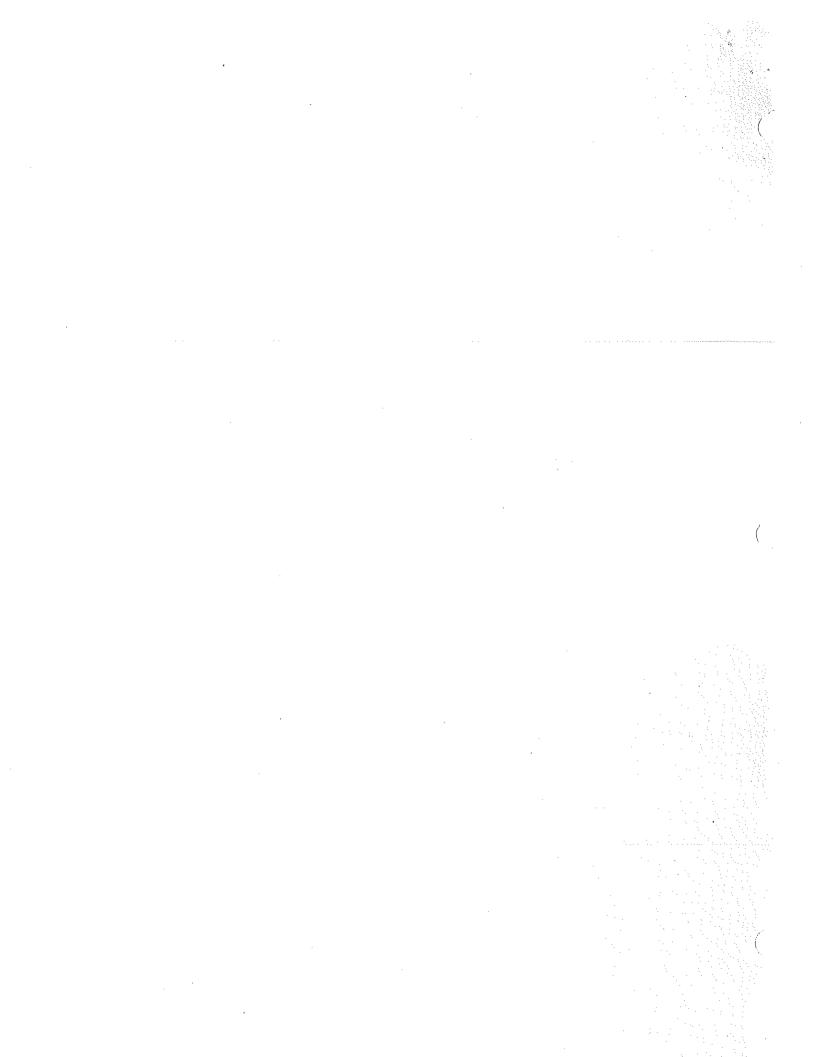
Curriculum Action Plan – Cultural Relevance									
Action/Step	Priority	Critical Issue	Responsible Personnel	Time Erame	Visible Result	Resources Needed	Status:		
4. Create and implement a data management system to monitor student behavior (e.g. disaggregated Climate Survey) and differences in the experiences and perceptions of students and families.	***	Cultural Relevance; Save and Welcoming	Student Services, Research & Evaluation	2009-2010	Baseline data collected district- wide as well as in pilot school(s) Explore community partnerships in evaluation plan, data analysis and monitoring	Support of Student Services and Research and Evaluation Department to design plan, collect data, and analyze results.	New behavior management web based reporting system this school year. Training provided by PBIS team to school teams. Climate survey data analyzed and reported. Data workshop provided May 2010 to all schools.		
Establish district infrastructure to support and sustain cultural relevance (administrative reorganization).	1	Cultural Relevance	Superintendent, Senìor Management	2009-2010	District infrastructure for cultural relevance.	Allocation of resources for cultural relevance infrastructure.	Completed The Re-organization Plan has created a Division of Equity and Family Involvement within the Department of Curriculum & Assessment. The Division brings together an Assistant Director, Minority Services Coordinators, Cultural Relevance IRT's, Title VII and Hmong PST.		

Curriculum Action Plan -	Curriculum Action Plan – Cultural Relevance									
			Responsible Personnel	Time Frame	Visible Result	Resources Needed	Status			
7. Create a set of sample lesson plans that infuse the principles of cultural relevance into standards-based, cross-disciplinary curricula.	1	Cultural Relevance	Teaching & Learning, Cultural Relevance Division, Educational Services	2009-2010	Examples of standards-based, culturally relevant curricula are available for use in professional development	Materials, sub release, professional development and 1.0 FTE teacher allocation has been requested and approved by the BOE under Title ARRA	Completed Culturally relevant lesson plans for elementary literacy (K-5). In process High school history and English exemplars ((6-12).			
9. Develop goals to support cultural relevance within the School Improvement Plan (SIP) that specifically target the underserved population(s) of the school. (See also Fine Arts Task Force Recommendations Charge 2, Rec. 1, Action Steps 1-3)	1		Assistant Superintendents, Principals	2009-2010	School Improvement Plans will include measurable objectives addressing the needs of underserved populations in the school	Existing SIP resources	In process			

Curriculum Action Plan – Cultural Relevance										
Action Step.	-Priority	Critical Issue	Responsible Personnel	Time Frame	Visible Result	Resources Needed	Status			
10. Establish school-based student equity teams at the middle and high school levels to discuss, monitor, and problem-solve issues related to race and other equity concerns.	1-2	Cultural Relevance	Principals, School- based leadership	2009-2011	Site-based student equity teams and minutes from meetings that record ideas and efforts	Staff leadership at each site	Completed Interviews have been conducted with student groups and equity teams. In process Analysis of interview data and development of plan for next steps.			
Explore expanding the role of community members in supporting and sustaining culturally relevant practices.	•	Relevance	Special Assistant to the Superintendent for Race and Equity	2009-2010	Established advisory group with diverse membership	Existing Resources	Completed Read Your Heart of Literacy Day (K-5) Established relationship with MMSD, Umoja Magazine, and MTI to publish family empowerment articles (K-12).			

Curriculum Action Plan	- Flexibl	e Instruction					
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Research best practices in flexible instruction (e.g. differentiation, universal design) in order to agree upon a working definition for MMSD. Identify and highlight existing examples in MMSD.		Opportunity for Success	Teaching & Learning, Educational Services, School-based leadership	•	Research-based working definition of flexible instruction	,	In process

Curriculum Action Plan	- Flexibl	e Instruction					
Action Step	Priority	Critical Issue.	Responsible Personnel	Time Frame	Visible Result	Resources Needed	Status
2. Curriculum, instruction and assessment design and decisions require teacher teams to collaborate in order to meet the needs of all students in a classroom environment. Teams will include representation from regular education, special education, ESL and gifted programming based on the student's needs.	1-2	All Students; Improving Staff	Assistant Superintendents, Principals, School-based leadership	2009-2011	1. Instruction will include multiple options for student learning (e.g. open ended tasks), range of instructional methods (e.g. simulations, project-based), and assessment strategies (e.g. demonstration, portfolio) in all classrooms Evidence of co-planning and co-teaching during classroom walk-throughs Increased academic success of all students as measured by district and state assessments Positive results on assessments that measure individual student progress over time (value added)	Professional development Extended employment and/or sub release Extended Employment (\$15/hr x 120 staff x 10 hours) \$18,000	Completed 75 staff attended differentiation lesson planning professional development In process Elementary math pilot to extend assessment practices for ELL and students with disabilities



Strategic Plan Action Steps – 2009-2010 School Year Resource/Capacity

Resource/Capacity Action	n Plan –	Prioritize and	d Allocate Res	ources			
Action Step	Priority	Critical Issue	Responsible Personnel	Time Frame	Visible Result	Resources Needed	Status
1. Tie budgetary decisions to a system-wide measurement tool (i.e., make funding decisions based on data, e.g., Madison Measures – City of Madison). Begin with business and noninstructional operations as a pilot. Use data from pilot to revise and make decisions about expansion.	1	Budget	Superintendent, Assistant Superintendents, Other Administrators	On-going	Measurement tool developed and implemented.	Staff time External Partners \$125,000 for Action Step 1 plus Action Steps 1,2,3 under Rigorous evaluation.	Completed Facility Assessment. Studying and reviewing Madison Measures for long term planning tool.
Evaluate current use of technology resources to identify where resources are underutilized and determine methods for how technology resources can be used to improve effectiveness.	1	Resource Allocation	Chief Information Officer	2009-10 school year	Effective use of current technology in classrooms and offices Technology Plan is deployed.	Resources for Technology (See Technology Plan)	Implementing several tech plan goals including electronic documents, automating tasks, utilizing cloudbased systems and software

Strategic Plan Action Steps – 2009-2010 School Year Resource/Capacity

Resource/Capacity Action Pl	Resource/Capacity Action Plan – Rigorous Evaluation												
Action Step		Critical Issue	Responsible	Time Frame	Visible Result	Resources Needed	Status						
Identify appropriate quantitative and qualitative evaluation methods to answer questions related to the key district goals.	1	Resource Allocation	Director of Research & Evaluation	Fall 2009	Matrix of programs and methods with capacity to conduct defined analyses	Staff, external partners \$125,000 for Action Step 1 under Prioritize and Allocate Resources plus Actions Steps 1,2,3 under Rigorous Evaluation	Presenting an evaluation protocol model to the Board at the June 2010 meeting						
Inventory the existing data sources in curricular areas, program areas, and business functions		Resource Allocation	Director of Research & Evaluation, Assistant Superintendent Business Services	Fall 2009	Data map	Staff Technology External partners	Review of existing data occurring as we deploy a new data warehouse system (by September 2010)						
Identify data gaps from existing sources in relation to key district priorities (reading, math, and science), and devise systems to collect data to fill any gaps		Resource Allocation	Director of Research & Evaluation, Assistant Superintendent Business Services	Fall 2009	Data needs are identified and systems created to gather information needed	Staff Technology External partners	Deploying key performance measure in a dashboard format (Fall 2010)						
Allocate time for school staff and departments to analyze data and strategize appropriate responses to that data.		Resource Allocation	Superintendent, Assistant Superintendents	On-going	Building-specific plans would be created in response to the data.	Release time for school staff; Data discussion facilitators	Quarterly data workshops, school data profiles, progress monitoring walls, Wallace Foundation teacher leadership development workshops						

Strategic Plan Action Steps – 2009-2010 School Year Resource/Capacity

Resource/Capacity Action PI	Resource/Capacity Action Plan – Rigorous Evaluation											
Action Step	Priority	Gritical Issue	Responsible Personnel	Time Frame	·Visible:Result	Resources Deeded	Status					
5. Conduct value added analysis in appropriate content areas (reading, math) by grade level and student subgroups. Correlate these results with best instructional practices and professional development strategies.	1	Resource Allocation	Director of Research & Evaluation, consultants	On-going	Report produced that includes interpretation	Staff External partners	Conducted school valued added for year 3, developing classroom value added now, exploring what instructional practices data to collect					
Conduct analysis of non- academic functions, (e.g., energy use, transportation, Fund 80, and calendar) to identify cost efficiency options.	1	Resource Allocation	Assistant Superintendent Business Services	2009-10 school year	Report produced including comparison of district with other Wisconsin districts	Staff External partners	Hired Energy Management Company to help control energy usage, streamlined transportation for regular and special education, working to create long term strategy for Fd 80					
7. Identify appropriate rigorous standards (i.e., commonly accepted national standards, NAEP) and benchmark comparisons (e.g., the district against itself over time, State of Wisconsin, large Wisconsin districts, etc.) for all key student outcomes.	1	Resource Allocation	Superintendent, Assistant Superintendents, Director of Research & Evaluation	2009-10 school year	Standards and benchmarks approved	Staff External partners	Future discussions about benchmarks pending changes in state assessments					

Strategic Plan Action Steps – 2009-2010 School Year Resource/Capacity

Resource Capacity Action Pl	an – Purs	ue Necessary R	esources				
Action Step		Critical Issue	Responsible	Time Frame	Visible Result	Resources Needed	Status
Develop ongoing strategies to identify resources needed to achieve desired outcomes	1	Resource Allocation	Superintendent, Assistant Superintendents, Other Administrators	On-going	Increased resources that are aligned to priority outcomes.	Re-orient existing structures if possible. External partners	ARRA funds, new grants (e.g., Sherman CLC)
Analyze possible partnerships and collaborations (private, public, state) which might aid in more efficient delivery of service and funding strategies. (Consistent with Fine Arts Task Force recommendations.)	1	Budget	Administrators	On-going	The number of partnerships will increase.	Existing resources External partners	Re-organization moves partnerships to superintendent's office, food program partnership, Madison CATS (technology)
3. Use data to develop marketing and/or branding mechanisms and strategies (e.g., in order to retain current students and recruit students to MMSD) (Consistent with Organization/Systems Action Plan, Communication, Action Step 3.)	1	Budget	Superintendent, Coordinator for Public Information, consultants	2009-10 school year	Retention of MMSD students will increase. A plan with defined strategies for marketing MMSD brand is developed.	External partners	See Organization/Syst ems Action Plan, Communication, Action Step 3

Strategic Plan Action Steps – 2009-2010 School Year Organization/Systems

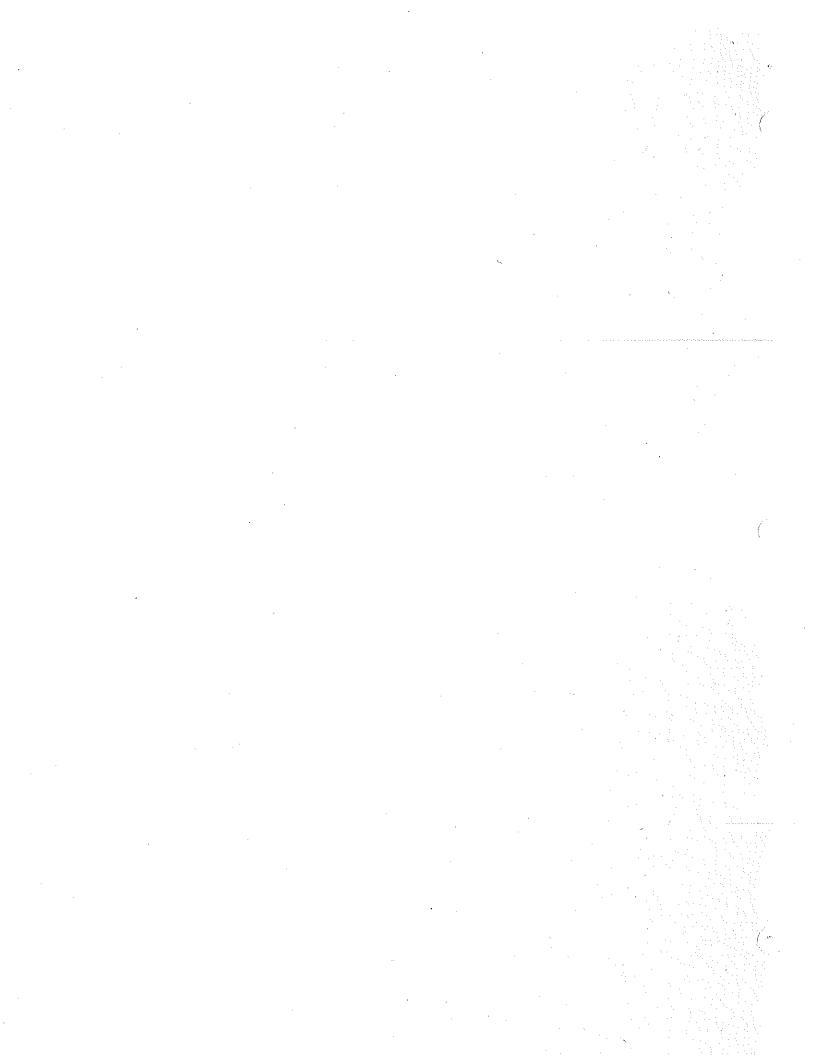
Organization/Systems A	ction Pla	anClimate	`				
Action Step	Priority	Critical Issue	Responsible Personner	Time Framë	Visible Result	Resources Needed	Status
The district will actively support all schools in successfully meeting climate goals as stated in school improvement plans. (Consistent with Equity Task Force recommendations.)	1	Safe and Welcoming	Assistant Superintendents; School Principals	2009-2010 and ongoing	All schools use data to continuously improve the climate within their buildings Schools meet annual climate goals included in their school improvement plan Student and Parent Climate Surveys report increased satisfaction with feeling safe, welcome and included	Increased time for schools to collaboratively develop and implement school improvement plans.	Ongoing: Increase sub time middle & high for collaboration. Yearly SIP review with schools
4. All schools in the district will develop and implement behavior and discipline practices that are consistent, systematic, positive, restorative and data driven. (Consistent with Equity Task Force recommendations.)	Ţw	Safe and Welcoming	Assistant Superintendents; Director of Alternatives and Student Services; School Principals	2009-2011	Reduction in disciplinary referrals, suspensions, and expulsions. Reduction in staff needed to manage behavior issues.	Existing resources Continued professional development for school staff and support for Behavior Coaches.	Ongoing: 5 H.S, All Middle & 19 Elem. trained at the Universal Level (80-85% of students) 13 Elem. Summer/fall 2010. Each school PBS leadership Team Code of Conduct revisions and expulsion abeyance options being developed
All schools will develop systems that promote student engagement.	1	Safe and Welcoming	Assistant Superintendents; Director of Student Services and Alternative Programs	2009-2010 and ongoing	Improved attendance rates Increased participation in school-sponsored activities	Existing resources	Ongoing: Responsive Classroom Training 179 teachers summer 2010 (classroom management, tone for the day) 4 high school engagement coordinators. Extremely positive response.

Strategic Plan Action Steps – 2009-2010 School Year Organization/Systems

Organization/Systems Actio	n Plan—C	ommunica	tion			-	
Action Step	Priority.		Responsible Personnel		Visible Result	Resources Needed	Status
associations and business leaders in developing and implementing the plan. Include strategies for celebrating, promoting, and disseminating information about student and staff achievements.							
Develop a consistent, ongoing process for telling stakeholders what the district is doing, reporting progress, and seeking input and feedback.	1-2	All Students	BOE; Superintendent; Central Office Administrators; School Administrators	2009-2010 and ongoing thereafter	1. The strategic plan will be available in a variety of languages and reported annually 2. The budget will be presented in an understandable way 3. Principals will regularly provide information about MMSD's strategic plan, SIP, school and student achievement to all stakeholders, and ask for feedback 4. MMSD will share results of systematic, rigorous, evaluation of programs and policies with stakeholders 5. MMSD will be in compliance with legal standards and share results with stakeholders 6. MMSD will identify and annually report on top measures of its performance 7. Regular public engagement sessions will be held by the BOE and the Superintendent	\$2,000 Space rental for annual meeting or engagement sessions	Ongoing: Strategic Plan meeting, State of the District report and presentation Re-Organization plan that redefines Public Information into Public Information and Community Engagement, department Plan being developed. One Community Engagement Session held at Marquette.

Strategic Plan Action Steps – 2009-2010 School Year Organization/Systems

Organization/Systems A	ction Pla	n—Decision-	Making				
Action Step	Priority	Critical Issue	Responsible Personnel	Time Frame	Visible Result	Resources Needed	Status
The Board of Education, Superintendent, and other MMSD administrators will directly link decisions and priorities to the strategic plan.	1,	All Students; Budget	MMSD Administrative staff		All major decisions and policies will clearly state how they are linked to the strategic plan.	Existing resources Develop a system to track funding sources	Ongoing: Board of Education Presentation format included implications for Strategic Plan and Equity Plan
Systematically meet with parents at every school to make sure all schools and groups have input into decisions.	1		Superintendent; Assistant Superintendents for Elementary and Secondary Schools; School Principals, BOE	ongoing thereafter	Increase in BOE member and MMSD Administrator opportunities to engage with parent/family groups	Existing resources	Not Started



Strategic Plan Annual Meeting

May 26, 2010 5:00 – 9:00 PM Goodman Community Center

Student

What Gives Us Hope

- Paying attention to "civic minded" and not just academics—social emotional and career
- ILP is a great way to focus students on goals
- Encouraged we are addressing staff-student relationships
- PBS work
- Great data on students "on track" in high school—engagement coordinators?

Need to Hear More

- How are we measuring non-academic measures? If we don't measure it, will it get enough attention? Are indirect measures linked (e.g., cultural relevance and attendance?
- Will the ILP allow students to choose to be sub-par?
- Seems like some of the work being done around relationships isn't captured in the document
- What are we doing with family involvement/relationships?

Curriculum A

What Gives Us Hope

- Good to hear what is happening in all areas
- A comprehensive assessment plan K-12
- Collaborative use of assessments
- Formative assessments in place supported by on-going professional development
- Implementation of formative assessment in K-5 math
- Curriculum mapping K-12: the tool, structure, assessment, and accountability

Need to Hear More

- Links between curricular alignment and school practice
- More accountability in curriculum found in assessments
- Accountability K-12 and by the BOE
- Definition of rigor K-12 (cognitively demanding, entry points for students)
- 95% graduation rate—urban league—by when?

Staff (check list categorization with Bob and Pam)

What Gives Us Hope

- Love the Edgewood idea
- Early hires helped—critical for dual language programs

Need to Hear More

- How will we get all this information out to the community as a whole? Road show?
- Some results aren't clearly measurable
- Focus on PD is critical
- Welcome for new staff
- Embedded PD—elementary, middle, and high as a way to focus on improvement over a sustained period of time; teacher driven
- More visibility of plan to staff, but focus on a few priorities, not 119
- Would like to see belief statements as part of interview process

Resource/Capacity

What Gives Us Hope

- Orientation towards partnerships with community and using community resources
- Enhanced tools for educators to obtain and analyze data; also non-instructional data
- · Professional facility assessment
- Evaluation of programs in a systematic method—how?, resources?, time?
- 5 Year District Budget Plan

Need to Hear More

- System evaluations haven't been done at very outset
- Are resources sufficient to do evaluations?
- Hiring personnel who can fill many roles: multi-dimensional, multi-skilled (to Staff priority)
- Achieve (not just analyze) partnerships—finding resources and building support—benefit from community resources (intellect)

Organization/Systems

What Gives Us Hope

- Glad to hear about expulsion abeyance and flexible options to suspensions (sticky note feedback)
- Positive behavior supports (sticky note feedback)
- Alternatives to expulsion and suspension (sticky note feedback)
- Examples of school-community cooperation (partnerships)
- The cross school, cross system PBS and the scope of the process from teaching positive behaviors to restorative practice to the code of conduct and systems changes

- Need to involve PTO's in understanding and sharing the strategic plan
- Internal coordination is lacking; with better coordination, we wouldn't be so fragmented in our departments and schools would not perceive improvement efforts as multiple initiatives



Strategic Plan Action Plans (with edits)

September 2010

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Action Step	Priority	Critical Issue	Responsible Personnel	Time Frame	Visible Result	Resources Needed	Status
Define successful MMSD graduate outcomes: Content knowledge Civic-minded skills Life-enriching skills Social-emotional skills		Opportunity for Success	Assistant Superintendent to identify a team consisting of: Middle/High school staff, T & L, Ed Services, Student Services Curriculum Action Team	November 2009	1. An Action Team is developed that includes leaders from our schools, business community, technical schools, Institutes of Higher Education, parents, and students. Composition of team will include leaders from our schools, business community, technical schools, Institutes of Higher Education, parents, and students.	Existing resources	Completed
Define successful MMSD graduate.	1	Opportunity for Success	Assistant Superintendent and Action Team	November, 2009 – May 2010	Definition of successful MMSD graduate aligned to mission with desired outcomes in the following areas: 1. Content knowledge based on ACT college/career readiness standards. 2. Civic-minded skills aligned to the standards outlined by the Partnership for 21st Century Skills. 3. Life-enriching skills which may include but is not limited to: extra-curricular activities (athletics, clubs, organizations) and service learning opportunities. 4. Social-emotional skills based on the MMSD social emotional learning standards (SELS). 5. Career awareness which may include but is not limited to	1. Extended employment compensation for meetings/work time beyond contract day. Approximate cost estimate: 300 total hours x \$15.00/hr = \$4,500; 20 (1/2 day subs = \$2000; total = \$6,500. 2. Food costs when meetings take place during dinner hours. Approximate cost estimate: \$1,000 3. Possible consulting fee(s)	Completed a dra document (not ye ready for externa dissemination).

Student Action Plan - Achievement for All Students

			Responsible	Time		Resources	
Action Step	Priority	Critical Issue	Personnel	Frame	Visible Result personal interests/skills/values; understanding of the 16 Career Clusters which describe the world of work; developmentally- appropriate mastery of 21st- Century Skills; a plan which incorporates the student's knowledge of personal interests/skills/values, his/her understanding of the world of work, and his/her mastery of 21st-Century Skills into a career pathway identifying appropriate	Needed	Status
3. Develop and implement an electronic-based individual learning plan (ILP) for all MMSD students, prioritizing students in grades 9 – 12 in initial implementation.	1	All Students; Opportunity for Success	Assistant Superintendents to identify an ILP Action Team.	Done	post-secondary education and employment options. 1. The electronic-based ILP will be developed in collaboration with University of Wisconsin staff to meet the unique needs of the MMSD. The ILP will be based off of the WisCareers platform which will interface with Infinite Campus, the District's information management system.	1. Consulting/ programming development/evaluati on fee to enable the ILP to interface with Infinite Campus (\$ 17,000).	Completed template for K-5 and 9 th grade. This is electronic and both are ready to begin in the fall.
	1		Assistant Superintendents, Instructional Council, and ILP Action Team.	Done	2. Identify a subgroup of the ILP Action Team to create an ILP implementation plan that includes a mechanism for feedback and evaluation (e.g., survey instruments, external evaluation conducted by the Wisconsin Center for Educational Research).	2. External evaluation cost is covered in the aforementioned consulting/programming development/evaluation fee listed above.	

Action Step	Priority	Critical Issue	Responsible Personnel	Time Frame	Visible Result	Resources Needed	Status
	1		Assistant Superintendents and ILP Action Team.		3. ILP implementation plan will clearly articulate the following: • district-wide communication plan • accountability measures to evaluate implementation/effectivenes s • initial introduction and ongoing professional development for staff • time to communicate with student(s) and parents relative to student progress	time for teachers/staff. Approximate cost	
	1		Assistant Superintendent, ILP Action Team, and building administrators.	2010-11 school year	4. Implement the ILP professional development plan district-wide with fidelity.	This is dependent upon the implementation plan. Should the district opt to utilize early release or already scheduled professional development days, the costs can be significantly reduced. Alternative options include:	

Student Action Plan - Achievement for All Students Responsible Time Resources Priority **Action Step Critical Issue** Personnel Frame Visible Result Needed Status teachers/staff. 2. Food costs when meetings take place durina dinner hours. 4. Establish and implement a Achievement Gap; Management In progress to Develop a multi layer system of Members of Completed be completed measurement to be established consistent system of measurable All Students: Team Management Team outcomes to determine student, Opportunity for by 2010 and implemented. will participate in school, and district progress in Success school year Measurement system includes developing system of eliminating the achievement gap. but is not limited to: measurement. Staff from Research and Formal assessments (e.g., WKCE, Explore, Plan) Evaluation will need Student progress relative to to be active participants. ILP goals and success/ progress over time Additional Research High school completion Staff to support the rates multiple data Student participation in measurements. continuing education opportunities beyond high school (two draft surveys have been completed: senior survey and post graduation outcomes survey) The following assumptions are used across all measures: All metrics will come from an existing source whenever possible, e.g., DPI WINSS, ISES, School Performance Report, etc. All metrics related to students will be

disaggregated by the

Action Step	Priority	Critical Issue	Responsible Personnel	Time Frame	Visible Result	Resources Needed	Status
i.1 Implement research-based nstructional strategies to eliminate ne achievement gap.	# 1		Assistant Superintendents and Department Executive Directors	2009-10	following groups if the data are available: gender, DPI or MMSD race/ethnicity categories, income status (i.e., low income vs. not low income), special education status, English Language Learner (ELL) status. Up to three years of data will be used for an historical analysis. Some measure will not have that much history as they are recent or being created for the first time with this project. See attached document for complete list of measurements. Additional strategies to eliminate the achievement gap are defined and implemented using information from MSAN school districts, High School Reform Research, Tumaround Models K-12 Literacy models. Examples of changes are: K-5 Turnaround Model Schools AVID expanded to Middle Schools, EPASS usage ILP Implementation for K-5 and 9 ^{III} Grade High School Reform Initiatives PBS Coaches CEIS Interventionists PSTs in Schools Abeyance Program	Existing resources	

Student Action Plan - Achievement for All Students Time Responsible Resources **Action Step** Priority **Critical Issue** Personnel Frame Needed Visible Result **Status** 5. Develop and implement Achievement Gap: Superintendent Committee will Continue partnership with Staff Time Ongoing planning partnerships to prepare every Opportunity for and Assistant be established United Way for Play and Leam. student for kindergarten (EC Success Superintendent for once 4K is options, Play and Learn, K-Ready Summer School, and universal 4-K) approved. Continue to work with the 4K Elementary community group (40 members) until 4K is a reality. Continue quarterly meetings with After School programs (which also serve early childhood children) Developed a permanent Early Childhood Leadership Council from the existing 4K Committee, which is well representative of the community. The purpose of the committee is to review the 4K

programs in the schools and the community and enhance early childhood communication

with MMSD.

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Action Step	Priority	Critical Issue	Personnel	Frame	Visible Result	Needed	Status
Identify and implement multiple strength-based measures of staff, student, and family relationships.	1	Safe and Welcoming	Management Team		Establish internal MMSD group of staff, administration and parents to create strength-based measures that include the following: • development of tools • communication plan, • accountability measures, • ongoing professional development for staff, • data review plan • connection to SIP and DIP Gallup Poll inservice in 2/10 resulted in a new principal hiring tool (Insight) and provided an instrument for principals to use to determine their strengths and connect them to SIP and AGAs. This will be explored as a resource for student use. Schools use an annual questionnaire to determine the types of family involvement used in schools there are six types measured each year.	Research and Evaluation and School Improvement Planning will need to commit considerable time and resources to this action step.	In process. Accountability measures are complete.
2. A school communication plan is developed and consistently followed across all schools. (Examples may include Infinite Campus Parent portal, district and school web sites,	2	Opportunity for Success	Instructional Council	2010-2011	The most important result will be improved parental involvement of traditionally disengaged families.	District leadership will need to determine the best departmental assignment for this	Year 2 developmer

Student Action Plan - Re	iauonsni	ha					
Action Step	Priority	Critical Issue	Responsible Personnel	Time Frame	Visible Result	Resources Needed	Status
school and teacher newsletters, and community meetings.)					Community mid-year meeting at Marquette. Open Classroom meeting in May with parents.	action step, encompassing the setting of the standard and developing processes for planning at the school level.	
 Identify and implement a professional development plan for teaching relationship-building skills including overcoming barriers and creating high expectations for all students. This involves both staff- student and staff-staff relationships. 	3	Improving Staff	Principals and Departments	2010-2011	Improved sense of community reported by students on selected Climate Survey items. Reorganization will support this with a PD Department.	This action step will rely on collaborative work including district and school-based expertise, MSCR, and other community resources.	
4. Analyze new and existing systems of support (e.g., Positive Behavior Support, problem-solving intervention teams, accelerated learning opportunities) and identify and implement a consistent set of community building activities and programs for use across all schools. (Examples Tribes, responsive classrooms, Fix-It Plans, and Caring Classrooms among others.)	2	Safe and Welcoming; Improving Staff	Student Services, Instructional Council, and Principals	2010-2011	Consistent implementation of activities and programs across schools. PBS Models across all of the schools.	Consistent evaluation plan and method of sharing results.	In process.
5. Identify and implement innovative and effective school structures that enhance staff-student relationships. (Examples include multi-age classrooms, small class sizes, smaller learner communities, and houses among others.)	2	Achievement Gap; Safe and Welcoming	Principals and Instructional Council	2011-2012	Consistent implementation of structures across schools. HS Redesign Sennett School Instructional Design BOE Discussion on Magnets and Charters at end of year Multi-Age Work Group	Consistent evaluation plan and method of sharing results.	

Student Action Plan - Relationships										
Action Step	Priority	Critical Issue	Responsible Personnel	Time Frame	Visible Result	Resources Needed	Status			
					Ready Set Goal Conferences and ILP					
6. Identify existing school- community resources and partnerships. Establish common student achievement and social emotional outcomes. Determine gaps that may exist across schools. Coordinate programs equitably across schools.	3	Opportunity for Success; Resource Allocation	Principals, Departments, and Instructional Council	2010-2011	Plan in place Madison Foundation BOE Common School Measures Social Emotional Leadership Standards Equity Report	Survey of schools	Year 3.			

Student Action Plan - Transitions

Action Step	Priority	Critical Issue	Responsible Personnel	Time Frame	Visible Result	Resources Needed	Status
The definitions of each transition category will be communicated across the district.	1	Opportunity for Success	Assistant Superintendents	October 31 of each year	All stakeholders are knowledgeable of the definitions of each category.	Que Pasa Web page	In process. Will communicate at K- 12 principal meetings.
2. District departments and each school will assess gaps and needs based upon the transition categories, leading to planned improvements and new strategies. A planning document will be developed to ensure that all relevant transition categories are addressed.	2	Achievement Gap; Opportunity for Success	Collaborative process with staff, parents, and community stakeholders	each year	All stakeholders will be knowledgeable of the transition plans for each level to communicate needs of children to close the achievement gap.	Sub release/ ext employment Food/snacks Supplies Transportation Adequate child care Professional development for staff Marketing Plan (see #1)	In process. Will process at K-12 principal meetings.
3. The district and school will develop instruments to determine levels of satisfaction for each transition category to reach the goal. School grade level staff, principal, and parents will be surveyed annually.	3	Opportunity for Success	Information Services Department: Research and Evaluation	Develop instrument that has benchmarks for satisfaction 6/30/10 and implemented in October of each year.	Survey is in place annually and the results of survey indicate satisfaction of the transition process across the district.	R&E staff to develop instrument	Year 3.
Departments and schools will use the data from the instruments to determine transition plans for improvement for future years.	3	Opportunity for Success	Assistant Superintendents, and SIP Committees	October 31 of each year	SIP reflects improvement goals.	See #2	Year 3.

Action Step	Priority	Critical Issue	Responsible Personnel	Time Frame	Visible Result	Resources Needed	Status
1. Map current course sequences in all content areas K-12, identifying prerequisites and obstacles in order to improve achievement for all students and close the achievement gap, reduce barriers for all students and identify opportunity gaps. (See also TAG Plan, Goal 2) Align current course content in all content areas K-12 to the Common Core State Standards and the ACT College and Career Readiness Standards.		Achiev. Gap; All Students <u>Curric. Rigor</u>	Teaching & Learning Curriculum & Assessment, Research & Evaluation, School-based leadership	Fall 2009	K-12 course sequence map by content area and school K-12 course alignment in Eclipse	Dedicated time from Teaching & Learning Curriculum & Assessment, Research and Evaluation and school-based leadership	Completed Middle and High school course maps, pre- requisites and common course names. In process Next steps to reduce barriers and obstacles due to pre-requisites and opportunity gaps.
Analyze course sequences and allocate resources to address inconsistencies and inequities across the district		Curriculum Rigor	Assistant Superintendents, Central Office, Principals	Winter 2009	Data available to inform restructuring of restructured programs and accelerated learning systems prior to 2011-20112012 budget cycle and staffing allocation.	Staff time Dedicated time from Assistant Superintendents, Central Office, Principals Re-allocation of available resources as needed	Completed Middle and High school course maps, pre- requisites and common course names and 3 year plan to provide equitable advanced placement (AP) courses. In process Next steps to address inconsistencies and inequities across the district

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							Work to ensure equitable access to reading instruction and interventions in middle school with particular focus on 6 th grade.
3. Analyze course enrollment and successful completion for all student groups to determine baseline data for comparison and growth. (See also Cultural Relevance Step 1)	1	All Students; Culturally Relevant	Research & Evaluation, Teaching & Learning Curriculum & Assessment	2009-2010	Completed analysis	Staff time	Completed
 Define rigor, accelerated learning and 21st Century skills to build common language and understanding. 	4	21st Century; Curriculum Rigor	Teaching & Learning Curriculum & Assessment, Educational Services, School- based leadership	2009-2010	Document, to be updated periodically, detailing specific outcomes and the data showing results	Staff time	Completed
 Use curriculum mapping (e.g., Eclipse) to determine standards- based outcomes and improve learning pathways and course sequence by identifying gaps and repetition. Focus initially at secondary level. 	1-2	Curriculum Rigor	Teaching & Learning Curriculum & Assessment Educational Services, School- based leadership	2009-2011	Revised elementary, middle and high school curricula	Professional development for teachers; Staff time	Selected high schools have analyzed course expectations based on College & Career Readiness Standards.
	Avantage Pro-						12 instructional leaders attended the Common Core

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							Conference to gain District direction for implementation
							Middle School World Languag
				The second secon			K-6 Common C Literacy standa
							9-12 Common Core, College Career Readin Standards and ACT Quality C
							Social studies course sequer for 9-10 th grad mapped at 3 h schools.
						,	In process District-wide us of curricular mapping aligns with College as Career Readin Standards and Common Core Standards
plement cross-level teacher s to increase and improve nced course options	1-2	21st Century; Curriculum Rigor	Teaching & Learning, Curriculum &	2009-2011	Cross-level teacher teams established.	Professional development;	On-going 42 staff from 8
ring intentional transition s for students as they move			Assessment, Educational		Improved advanced course options, with diverse	Staff time	secondary sch participated in

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from elementary to middle to high school to post secondary.			Services, School- based leadership		student enrollment		3-year DPI Advanced Placement Initiative Grant to build vertical alignment across grades.
11. Improve academic outcomes and engagement for all students by implementing 2009 Board of Education approved TAG plantal. Implement 2009 Board of Education approved TAG planto improve academic outcomes and engagement for all students	1	Achievement Gap; All Students	Teaching & Learning Gumculum & Assessment, TAG Division	2009-2010	Results as defined in the 2009 Board of Education approved TAG Plan	Resources as defined in the 2009 Board of Education approved TAG Plan.	Completed TAG Plan Updates to the Board of Education January and June, 2010.
12. Improve academic outcomes and engage all students by implementing the 2009 Board of Education approved Fine Arts. Task Force recommendations. 12. Implement 2009 Board of Education approved Fine Arts. Task Force recommendations to improve academic outcomes and engage all students. Implement 2009 Board of Education approved Fine Arts. Task Force recommendations to improve academic outcomes and engage all students.		Opportunity for Success	Teaching & Learning Curriculum & Assessment, Fine Arts Division	Spring 2010	Professional development and instructional practice includes implementation strategies for inclusive practices to engage all students. Research and analysis of financial and programming implications for a required arts and humanities credit submitted to the BOE Results as defined by Board of Education approved Fine Arts Task Force Administrative Recommendations.	Existing Resources Fine Arts Task Force Recommendations Charge 2, Rec. 4, Action Step 3 Fine Arts Task Force Recommendations Charge 2, Rec. 5, Action Steps 1-4 Fine Arts Task Force Resources as defined in the approved plan.	Fine Arts Task Force Updates to the Board of Education on January and June, 2010.
13. Improve academic outcomes and engage all students by implementing the Math Tack Force Recommendations when	1	Opportunity for Success	Feaching & Learning Curriculum & Assessment.	2009-2012	Results as defined upon by Board of Education approvaled of the Math Task Force Administrative	Resources as defined upon Board of Education approval of the	Completed Math Task Force Updates to the

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Action Step	Friority	Critical Issue	Mathematics	Frame	Recommendations.	Needed Math Task Force	Status Board of
ducation			Division			Administrative	Education on
3. Implement the Math Task						Recommendations.	November, 200
Force Recommendations as approved by the Board of						Math Task Force Resources as	and May, 2010.
Education to improve academic						defined in the	
outcomes and engage all						approved plan.	
students.]]		1				

^{*}Advanced learning opportunities or systems refer to a sequence of learning options that address the next level of challenge for a student.

Action Step	Priority	Critical Issue	Responsible Personnel	Time Frame	Visible Result	Resources Needed	Status
Review current MMSD assessment practices to determine assessment gaps L Complete MMSD Balanced Assessment Plan to quide future implementation of assessment gols and strategies	1	21st Century Skills	Research & Evaluation, Teaching & Learning Curriculum & Assessment, Educational Services	2009-2010	Assessment review documenting connections to student learning outcomes MMSD Balanced Assessment Plan	Professional Development, Staff Time Existing resources	Completed District-wide Assessment Committee formed and met regularly through 2009-10. MAP and SCANTRON Pilots District-wide conducted. EPAS/Explore Tes piloted at middle and high. In process Re-convene District-wide Assessment Committee for 2010-11. Confirm and implement benchmark assessment tools for grades 3-7.
Examine external assessments to analyze and inform MMSD curriculum, instruction and assessment.	1	21st Century Skills	Assistant Superintendents, Teaching & Learning Curriculum & Assessment, Educational Services	2009-2010	Documented list of external expectations in content areas that connect to District standards and learning outcomes	Professional Development, Staff Time	Completed District-wide assessment team established in October, 2009. All Departments have identified assessment gaps

Curriculum Action Plan – Assessment											
Action Step	Priority	Critical Issue	Responsible Personnel	Time Frame	Visible Result	Resources Needed	Status				
							and tools to address those gaps.				
							150 staff members have engaged in book discussions around formative assessment and design				
Map big ideas in core content areas as a basis for development of common assessments	110	21st Century Skills	Assistant Superintendents, Curriculum & Assessment, Educational Services	2009-2010	Documented list of external expectations in content areas that connect to District standards and learning outcomes	4 M.	Completed Assessment pilots for: Benchmark Assessments				
·							TAG Assessments Reading Interventions				

Action Step	Priority	Critical Issue	Responsible Personnel	Time Frame	Visible Result	Resources Needed	Status
Research effective, culturally relevant standards-based practices in Civic Engagement (e.g. service learning, participatory education and democratic classrooms)	1	21st Century Skills; Culturally Relevant	Teaching & Learning, Curriculum & Assessment, Educational Services, Student Services	2009-2010	Recommend a definition of service learning for MMSD	Existing resources	Completed
2. Map social studies curriculum to insure that Wisconsin High School Graduation Requirements and instruction in state and local governments (Pl 18.03(1) (a)2) are fully met within the required MMSD-3 credit social studies course sequence requirements.	1-2	Curriculum Rigor	Teaching & Learning Curriculum & Assessment	syllabi descriptions of re secondary level social s	Clear course guides and syllabi descriptions of required secondary level social studies courses indicating PI 18 is fully met		High school course sequence, Learning gaps are identified. Resources
2. Implement social studies curricular recommendations to meet Wisconsin High School Graduation Requirements, insuring instruction in state and local government (Pl 18.03(1)(a)2 is fully met within the required MMSD 3 credit social studies							provided to all high schools to embed instruction in state, local, tribal and government into required courses.
course sequence requirements.							Steps to resolve inconsistencies across high schools.
6. All staff will work collaboratively and assume responsibility as a community to support all students' learning and achievement in order to close achievement gaps.	1	Achievement Gap, All Students	Assistant Superintendents, Principals, Central Office	On-going	Teams implement strategies for culturally relevant problem-solving including using ideas from MMSD Guidelines to Address Culturally Responsive Practices: Early	Time for team collaboration Professional development	in process Professional collaboration time at the secondary level will include system-wide focus

Curriculum Action Plan – Civic Engagement								
Action Step	Priority	Critical Issue	Responsible Personnel	Time Frame	Visible Result	Resources Needed	Status	
					Intervention Through Assessment		on improving instruction for all students.	

Action Step	Priority	Critical Issue	Responsible Personnel	Time Frame	Visible Result	Resources Needed	Status
 Analyze course enrollment and successful completion by student groups to determine baseline data for comparison and growth. (See also Accelerated Learning Step 3). 	1	All Students; Cultural Relevance	Research & Evaluation, Teaching & Learning Curriculum & Assessment	2009-2010	Completed analysis	Staff time	Completed
Standards-based curriculum to incorporate and will reflect the cultural backgrounds of district all students (e.g. contemporary concerns and historic struggles of a variety of cultural groups). MMSD classrooms will evidence positive images and cultural references (arts, curricular materials, teaching resources) for all learners.	1	Cultural Relevance	Principals, Teaching & Learning Curniculum & Assessment, Educational Services	2009-2010	Cultural relevance walk through(s) will document the presence of standards-based curricula and classroom evidence that reflects the cultural backgrounds of the students present are reflected.	Budget for instructional resources	Intensive work at pilot schools (K-5). A series of walk throughs based on culturally relevant practices and data have been conducted (K-5)
3. Previde professional development for a small group of interested classroom teachers and support them with materials and intensive mentoring about culturally relevant curriculum, instruction and assessment. Initial pilot will be conducted at Mendota and Falk. Data from the pilot will be used to modify professional development and determine if expansion is appropriate. 3. Expand professional development for teacher cohorts around culturally	1	Cultural Relevance; Improving Staff	Teaching & Learning Curriculum & Assessment, Division of Equity & Family Involvement Cultural Relevance Division, Educational Services	2009-2010	Teaching practices of participating teachers will be more culturally relevant as measured by pilot evaluation plan and walk throughs (see Step 2). The cohort of teachers will become more culturally responsive in their teaching practices as measured by pilot evaluation plan and walk throughs (see Step 2).	Salary for Instructional Resource Teacher(s) for Cultural Relevance (ARRA funding) Professional development for cohort teachers, other staff, principals and parents Partnership with higher education.	A year-long series of six strands of professional development have been provided at Falk and Mendota (K-5). In process Analysis of pre and post data from pilot schools (K-5) Launched multi-year

Curriculum Action Plan - Cultural Relevance Time Critical Responsible Resources **Personnel** Action Step Priority Issue Frame Visible Result Needed Status relevant curriculum, instruction professional and assessment. development with secondary staff representing 7 middle and 4 high schools (6-12)4. Create and implement a 2009-2010 Completed Cultural Student Services, Baseline data collected Support of Student data management system to Relevance: Research & Evaluation district- wide as well as in Services and New behavior monitor student behavior (e.g. Save Safe and pilot school(s) Research and management web disaggregated Climate Survey) Welcoming Evaluation based reporting and differences in the Explore community Department to system this school experiences and perceptions of vear. Training partnerships in evaluation design plan, collect students and families. provided by PBIS plan, data analysis and data, and analyze monitoring results. team to school teams. Climate survey data analyzed and reported. Data workshop provided May 2010 to all schools. Superintendent, Senior 2009-2010 5. Establish district Cultural District infrastructure for Allocation of Completed infrastructure to support and Relevance Management cultural relevance. resources for sustain cultural relevance cultural relevance The Re-organization Plan has created a (administrative reinfrastructure. organization). Division of Equity and Family Involvement within the Department of Curriculum & Assessment. The Division brings together an Assistant Director, Minority Services Coordinators, Cultural Relevance IRT's.

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Curriculum Action Plan - Cultural Relevance Resources Critical Responsible Time Priority Personnel Frame Visible Result Needed Status **Action Step** Issue 7. Create a set of sample Cultural Teaching & Learning 2009-2010 Examples of standards-Staff time Completed based, culturally relevant lesson plans that infuse the Relevance Curriculum & principles of cultural relevance Assessment, Cultural curricula are available for Professional Culturally relevant into standards-based, cross-Relevance Division use in professional development lesson plans for Division of Equity & development elementary literacy disciplinary curricula. Family Involvement, (K-5). **Educational Services** In process High school history and English exemplars ((6-12). 9. Develop goals to support Assistant 2009-2010 School Improvement Plans Existing SIP In process Achievement will include measurable cultural relevance within the Gap: All Superintendents, resources School Improvement Plans Students: Principals objectives addressing the needs of underserved Fine Arts Task (SIP) that specifically target the Cultural underserved population(s) of Relevance populations in the school Force the school. Recommendations Charge 2, Rec. 1, (See also Fine Arts Task Force Recommendations Charge 2, Action Steps 1-3 Rec. 1. Action Steps 1-3) 10. Establish school-based 1-2 Cultural Principals, School-2009-2011 Site-based student equity Staff leadership at Completed teams and minutes from student equity teams at the each site Relevance based leadership middle and high school levels meetings that record ideas Interviews have been and efforts conducted with to discuss, monitor, and problem-solve issues related to student groups and race and other equity concerns. equity teams. In process

Special Assistant to the

Superintendent for Race

Established advisory group

with diverse membership

2009-2010

Existing Resources

Analysis of interview

development of plan for next steps. Completed

data and

Cultural

Relevance

11. Explore expanding Expand

the role of community members

Strategic Plan Action Steps – 2009-2010 School Year Curriculum

Action Step	Priority	Critical Issue	Responsible Personnel	Time Frame	Visible Result	Resources Needed	Status
n supporting and sustaining culturally relevant practices.			and Equity Division of Equity and Family Involvement. Curriculum & Assessment		Advisory group established that has diverse membership.		Read Your Heart of Literacy Day (K-5) Established relationship with MMSD, Umoja Magazine, and MTI publish family empowerment articles (K-12).

Strategic Plan Action Steps – 2009-2010 School Year Curriculum

Curriculum Action Plan - Flexible Instruction Critical Responsible Time Resources **Priority** Personnel Issue Frame Needed **Action Step** Visible Result Status 1. Research Implement best Opportunity for Professional 2009-2010 Research-based working Existing resources in process practices in flexible instruction definition of flexible Success Development (e.g. differentiation, universal instruction made explicit in Department. design) in order to agree upon a Teaching & professional development for working definition for MMSD. Leaming. staff Identify and highlight existing Curriculum & examples in MMSD. Assessment, Educational Services, Schoolbased leadership 2. Curriculum, instruction and 1-2 All Students: 2009-2011 4. Instruction will include Professional Completed Assistant Improving Staff Superintendents, development will be assessment design and multiple options for student decisions require teacher teams Principals, Schoollearning (e.g. open ended designed and 75 staff attended to collaborate in order to meet tasks), range of instructional based leadership implemented to differentiation lesson the needs of all students in a methods (e.g. simulations, reflect the planning professional classroom environment. Teams project-based), and importance of development in May, will include representation from assessment strategies (e.g. flexible instruction 2010. regular education, special demonstration, portfolio) in as core practice in education, ESL and gifted MMSD. all classrooms programming based on the · Evidence of co-planning In process student's needs. Time and structures and co-teaching during classroom walk-throughs for team Elementary math pilot collaboration; to extend assessment Increased academic Extended practices for ELL and success of all students as measured by district and employment and/or students with sub release disabilities state assessments · Positive results on assessments that measure individual student progress over time (value added)

Staff Action Plan—Professional Development

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Action Step	Priority	Critical Issue	Responsible Personnel	Time Frame	Visible Result	Resources Needed	Status			
1. The district will develop site-based and district-wide professional learning communities/teams to foster continuous improvement in leadership and in quality instructional practices for all students in all curricular areas, including cultural relevance.	1	Improving Staff	Superintendent, assistant superintendents.	January 2010	Effective learning communities/teams are in all schools District-wide team created consisting of central office administrators, teachers, principals, and school-based instructional leaders	Extended employment and/or sub release Professional development	Embedded professional development is being discussed will be implemented at middle schools and high schools in 2010-11. Reorganization plan calls for this "Leadership Team" to be in place for 2010-11.			
2. All staff members will regularly collaborate within one or more established professional learning community (ies)/Iteam(s) to engage in a continuous cycle of improvement focused on student learning and engagement and work –place culture.	1		Superintendent, Assistant Superintendents, District-wide team	September 2009 on-going thereafter	Students will: 1. attain or exceed grade level proficiency in core subject areas 2. acquire and apply critical thinking, problem solving and communication skills 3. engage in civic activity 4. be active participants in shaping their learning experiences 5. acquire and apply skills needed to live and contribute in a diverse local and global community 6. acquire and apply skills needed for personal growth and well-being and creative expression	Staff time Professional development	SIP plans are collaborative and done by feeder pattern so middle and high schools are "on the same page". Continued emphasis on K-12 articulation, scope and sequence will occur at joint principal, IRT, Learning Coordinator, and HS Department chair meetings and professional development opportunities.			
The district will collaborate with the community to develop inclusive culturally responsive schools	1	Culturally Relevant, Improving Staff	Superintendent, Assistant Superintendents, and/or management team members will create a team consisting of: district-wide	2009-2010	District-wide leadership team established See visible results for step	Staff time Extended employment and/or sub release	Hired secondary level culturally responsive expert to work with schools. This mirrors the elementary position already in place.			

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			leadership committee which includes community stakeholders, Assistant Director of Curriculum & Assessment— Equity & Parent Involvement and Culturally Relevant Resource Teachers				
4. The district will implement supervision and evaluation procedures to support all instructional staff in meeting or exceeding proficiency with established state standards throughout their careers. This will facilitate high-quality instructional practices, evidence-based methodologies, culturally responsive practices, and 21st Century technologies, content, and skills so as to ensure high levels of learning by all students. (Consistent with TAG Plan and Equity Force Recommendations)	1	Improving Staff	Superintendent, Deputy Superintendent Assistant Superintendents, Director of Human Resources	2009-2010	See visible results action step 2.	Existing Resources	Adoption of the Act Career & College Readiness Standards and the ACT EPAS assessments. Ongoing discussions regarding use of new tools and methods to make supervision and evaluation more timely, more relevant, and more useful (ie: Instructional Rounds, Critical Friends, Gallup 360 Degree model)
6. The district will ensure that its school improvement processes and professional development systems and practices align with effective research-based practices such as the National Staff Development Council's (NSDC) Standards for Staff Development.	2	Improving Staff	Superintendent: Assistant Superintendents and/or Management Team members will create a district professional development team comprised of: administrators/teach ers representing all	2010-1011	Attain or exceed grade level proficiency in core subject areas Acquire and apply critical thinking, problem solving and communication skills Engage in civic activity Be active participants in shaping their learning experiences Acquire and apply skills	District staff (particularly the professional development team) will need professional learning opportunities in the development/implementation of effective research-based practices such as the National Staff Development Council's	Professional Development Director and the new department will be in place in August 2010: Management Team will be involved in professional development training centered on central office becoming more responsive to the schools needs.

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			major departments and school-based staff when appropriate.		needed to live and contribute in a diverse local and global community 8. Acquire and apply skills needed for personal growth and well-being 7. Technology literacy	(NSDC) Standards for Staff Development. Possible needs: 1. Extended employment. 2. Subs for teacher release. 3. Possible NSDC conference attendance						
 The district will develop systems and approaches to coordinate and link professional development initiatives. 	1	Improving Staff	Superintendent and Deputy Superintendent Assistant Superintendents, instructional Council Director of Prof. Development	2009-2012	Professional development plan aligned with strategic priorities.	Existing Resources	Reorganization plan creates PD department.					
8. Foster partnerships with university and college pre-service teacher preparation programs so that quality program offerings that are a match to MMSD's needs are available to staff. (Consistent with Math Task Force recommendation.)	2	Improving Staff	Superintendent, assistant superintendents, and or management team members will create a team consisting of: central office administrators. Human Resources, principals, Select Government Programs, teachers, mentors, and partnerships with higher education agencies/DPI.	<u>2010-2012</u>	Partnerships are established with institutions of higher education to provide continuing education aligned to strategic priorities.	Existing Resources	Ongoing meetings with the Office of Professional Outreach at U.W. Madison and Edgewood College to establish stronger partnerships.					

Staff Action Plan—Recruiting and Retaining Staff

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Action Step	Priority	Critical Issue	Responsible Personnel	Time Frame	Visible Result	Resources Needed	Status
Establish a plan similar to Future Teachers of America to attract high school students of color into the field of education and teaching in MMSD—Teach for Madison.	1	Staff Reflects Students	Assistant Superintendent- Secondary		MMSD has a workforce of highly trained staff that teaches students what they need to know and inspire students to learn.	Staff time	La Follette will start a program with Edgewood College in fall. La Follette and Edgewood College partnership promoting teaching as a career through a mentoring and scholarship program.
Establish strong relationships with university and college preservice teacher preparation programs similar to the Professional Development School model used by UW Madison.	1	Staff Reflects Students	Assistant Superintendents and Director of Select Govt Programs Director of Professional Development	2009-2010	MMSD has a workforce of highly trained staff that teaches students what they need to know and inspire students to learn.	Existing Resources	Ongoing conversations with U.W. School of Ed and Outreach about structural changes to the way practicum and student teachers are placed and supported.
3. Enhance a hiring preference system for positively evaluated student teachers and administrative interns, and teacher/interns who are employed during summer school.	1	Staff Reflects Students	Director of Human Resources and Employment Manager	2009-2010	MMSD has a workforce of highly trained staff that teaches students what they need to know and inspire students to learn.	Existing Resources	HR has developed a system to capture this information and to add to the ranking of positively evaluated summer school staff, student teachers and interns.
 Create an early hire pool of teachers as a means to attract highly qualified candidates, including staff of color, and increased applicants in shortage areas. 	1	Staff Reflects Students	Director of Human Resources and Lead Elementary Principal Employment Manager		MMSD has a workforce of highly trained staff that teaches students what they need to know and inspire students to learn.	Existing Resources Travel Expenses	This year the ability to offer early contracts was greatly limited by the budget process and the uncertainty of the number of external hires we would have. We did interview and offer early contracts to 7 bilingual teachers.
 Expedite the advertisement of open positions and offer/acceptance procedure. 	1	Staff Reflects Students	Director of Human Resources <u>and</u> Employment Manager	2009-2011	Streamlined recruitment and hiring procedures	Existing Resources	This has been discussed, but the budget proceedings delayed any implementation this year.
Annually review and evaluate the recruitment and hiring process.	1	Staff Reflects Students	Director of Human Resources		Streamlined recruitment and hiring procedures	Existing Resources	A report was submitted to the BOE on May 10 detailing the recruitment and hiring results of the District. This will be updated annually.

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Action Step	Priority	Critical Issue	Responsible Personnel	Time Frame	Visible Result	Resources Needed	Status				
10. Develop a formal mentoring system for principals to mentor new principals – peer assistance system.	1	Staff Reflects Students	Assistant Superintendents	2009-2010	Formal mentoring/per assistance program for administrators.	Existing Resources Plus a Small Stipend for Mentors	In discussion phase.				
12. Develop a culture that embodies the belief that retention of staff of color is every staff person's responsibility; include communities of color in retention efforts.	1	Staff Reflects Students	Special Assistant to the Superintendent for Race & Equity Assistant Director-Curriculum & Assessment Equity & Parent Involvement	2009-2012	students what they need to know and inspire students to learn.	Resources	New emphasis on community partnerships and engagement.				
13. Provide professional development for administrators to learn how to interview in a culturally competent manner.	1	Staff Reflects Students	Director of Human Resources, Director of Select Govt Programs, Special Assistant to the Superintendent for Race & Equity Director of Professional Development, Assistant Director-Curriculum & Assessment, Equity & Parent Involvement	2009-2011	MMSD has a workforce of highly trained staff that teaches students what they need to know and inspire students to learn.	Consulting Fees	HR staff are working in collaboration with staff from the UW to develop an interview tool to assist with measuring cultural competence. This is expected to be completed in June of 2010.				

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Tie budgetary decisions to a system-wide measurement tool (i.e., make funding decisions based on date of Madison Measures City.		Budget	Superintendent, Assistant Superintendents, Other	On-going	Measurement tool developed and implemented.	Staff time External Partners	Completed Facility Assessment. Studying and
data, e.g., Madison Measures – City of Madison). Begin with business and non-instructional operations as a pilot. Use data from pilot to revise and make decisions about expansion.		•	Administrators			\$125,000 for Action Step 1 plus Action Steps 1,2,3 under Rigorous evaluation.	reviewing Madison Measures for long term planning tool.
Evaluate current use of technology resources to identify where resources are underutilized and determine methods for how technology resources can be used to improve effectiveness.	1	Resource Allocation	Chief Information Officer	2009-10 school year	Effective use of current technology in classrooms and offices Technology Plan is deployed.	Resources for Technology (See Technology Plan)	Implementing several tech plan goals including electronic documents, automating tasks, utilizing cloud-base systems & software
Develop a five-year district oudget and roadmap to determine now we would get there	<u>1</u>	Budget	Assistant Superintendent Business Services, Director of Budget, Planning & Accounting	2010-11	Five Year Budget Plan exists and is transparently communicated.	Existing Resources	The team discusse this item and felt it was important to move from a level a priority where it was initially set to a level 1 for the upcoming year. Details for how this action item is actually put into
							operational form remains the challenge. A comparison to current budget planning practices needed as a first step.

Resource/Capacity Action	n Plan –	Rigorous Ev	aluation				
Action Step	Priority	Critical Issue	Responsible Personnel	Time Frame	Visible Result	Resources Needed	Status
Identify appropriate quantitative and qualitative evaluation methods to answer questions related to the key district goals.	1	Resource Allocation	Director of Research & Evaluation	Fall 2009	Matrix of programs and methods with capacity to conduct defined analyses	Staff, external partners \$125,000 for Action Step 1 under Prioritize and Allocate Resources plus Actions Steps 1,2,3 under Rigorous Evaluation	Presented an evaluation protocol model to the Board at the June 2010 meeting
Inventory the existing data sources in curricular areas, program areas, and business functions	1	Resource Allocation	Director of Research & Evaluation, Assistant Superintendent Business Services	Fall 2009	Data map	Staff Technology External partners	Review of existing data occurring as we deploy a new data warehouse system (by December 2010)
Identify data gaps from existing sources in relation to key district priorities (reading, math, and science), and devise systems to collect data to fill any gaps	1	Resource Allocation	Director of Research & Evaluation, Assistant Superintendent Business Services	Fall 2009	Data needs are identified and systems created to gather information needed	Staff Technology External partners	Deploying key performance measure in a dashboard format (Fall/Winter 2010)
Allocate time for school staff and departments to analyze data and strategize appropriate responses to that data.	1	Resource Allocation	Superintendent, Assistant Superintendents	On-going	Building-specific plans would be created in response to the data.	Release time for school staff; Data discussion facilitators	Quarterly data workshops, school data profiles, progress monitoring walls, Wallace Foundation teacher leadership development workshops
 Conduct value added analysis in appropriate content areas (reading, math) by grade level and student subgroups. Correlate these results with best instructional practices and professional development strategies. 	1	Resource Allocation	Director of Research & Evaluation, consultants	On-going	Report produced that includes interpretation	Staff External partners	Conducted school valued added for year 3, developing classroom value added now, exploring what instructional practices data to collect

6. Conduct analysis of non- academic functions, (e.g., energy use, transportation, Fund 80, and calendar) to identify cost efficiency options.	4	Resource Allocation	Assistant Superintendent Business Services	2009-10 school year	Report produced including comparison of district with other Wisconsin districts	Staff External partners	Hired Energy Management Company to help control energy usage, streamlined transportation for regular and special education, working to create long term strategy for Fd 80. The administration is asked to identify other non- academic functions which are the focus of such analyses during the upcoming year.
7. Identify appropriate rigorous standards (i.e., commonly accepted national standards, NAEP) and benchmark comparisons (e.g., the district against itself over time, State of Wisconsin, large Wisconsin districts, etc.) for all key student outcomes.	1	Resource Allocation	Superintendent, Assistant Superintendents, Director of Research & Evaluation	2009-10 school year	Standards and benchmarks approved	Staff External partners	Future discussions about benchmarks pending changes in state assessments
8. Conduct cost analysis by subject, grade level, school, (cost per student), and then correlate this data with student outcomes; conduct this as a longitudinal analysis. Explore implications for site-based planning and resource allocations.	<u>**</u>	Resource Allocation	Assistant Superintendent Business Services, Director of Budget, Planning & Accounting, Director of Research & Evaluation	2001-11 school year	Report produced that includes interpretation	Staff, external partners	

Action Step	Priority	Critical Issue	Responsible Personnel	Time Frame	Visible Result	Resources Needed	Status
Develop ongoing strategies to identify resources needed to achieve desired outcomes	1	Resource Allocation	Superintendent, Assistant Superintendents, Other Administrators	On-going	Increased resources that are aligned to priority outcomes.	Re-orient existing structures if possible. External partners	ARRA funds, new grants (e.g., Sherman CLC)
Analyze possible partnerships and achieve collaborations (private, public, state) which might ald in more efficient delivery of service and funding strategies. (Consistent with Fine Arts Task Force recommendations.)	1	Budget	Administrators	On-going	The number of partnerships will increase.	Existing resources External partners	The review team considered partnerships to be critical in meeting district goals. The team recommended a wording change to the item. In addition to analyzing partnership opportunities the team added the ten "and achieve" to the action statement. It is not only important to identify partnerships, but to actually implement them during the coming year as well Re-organization moves partnerships to superintendent's office, food program partnership, Madison CATS (technology)

3. Use data to develop marketing	1	Budget	Superintendent,	2009-10	Retention of MMSD students	External partners	See
and/or branding mechanisms and		-	Coordinator for	school year	will increase.	·	Organization/Syste
strategies (e.g., in order to retain			Public Information,	·			ms Action Plan.
current students and recruit			consultants		A plan with defined strategies		Communication,
students to MMSD)					for marketing MMSD brand is		Action Step 3
·					developed.		·
(Consistent with					·	•	
Organization/Systems Action Plan,						·	
Communication, Action Step 3.)							

Organization/Systems Action Plan--Climate

Action Step	Priority	Critical Issue	Responsible Personnel	Time Frame	Visible Result	Resources Needed	Status
The district will actively support all schools in successfully meeting climate goals as stated in school improvement plans. (Consistent with Equity Task Force recommendations.)	1	Safe and Welcoming	Assistant Superintendents; School Principals	2009-2010 and ongoing	All schools use data to continuously improve the climate within their buildings Schools meet annual climate goals included in their school improvement plan Student and Parent Climate Surveys report increased satisfaction with feeling safe, welcome and included	Increased time for schools to collaboratively develop and implement school improvement plans.	Ongoing: Increase sub time middle & high for collaboration. Yearly SIP review with schools
4. All schools in the district will develop and implement behavior and discipline practices that are consistent, systematic, positive, restorative and data driven. (Consistent with Equity Task Force recommendations.)	1	Safe and Welcoming	Assistant Superintendents; Director of Alternatives and Student Services; School Principals	2009-2011	Reduction in disciplinary referrals, suspensions, and expulsions. Reduction in staff needed to manage behavior issues.	Existing resources Continued professional development for school staff and support for Behavior Coaches.	Ongoing: 5 H.S, All Middle & 19 Elem. trained at the Universal Level (80-85% of students) 13 Elem. Summer/fall 2010. Each school PBS leadership Team Code of Conduct revisions and expulsion abeyance options being developed
All schools will develop systems that promote student engagement.	1	Safe and Welcoming	Assistant SuperIntendents; Director of Student Services and Alternative Programs	2009-2010 and ongoing	Improved attendance rates Increased participation in school-sponsored activities	Existing resources	Ongoing: Responsive Classroom Training 179 teachers summer 2010 (classroom management, tone for the day) 4 high school engagement coordinators. Extremely positive response.

Organization/Systems Action Plan—Communication

Action Step	Priority	Critical Issue	Responsible Personnel	Time Frame	Visible Result	Resources Needed	Status
Study trends in out-of-school district transfers; continue initiatives toward surveying families leaving; gather information about MMSD and its programs and students from residents who do not have children attending school.	1	All Students	R&E	2009-2010 and ongoing	The number of families leaving MMSD will decrease. A report is published annually that summarizes information from families leaving the district beginning in 2009-2010.	Resources for data collection and analysis. Possible purchase of services from outside research consultant. \$10,000	1 ' '
Survey recent graduates about their experiences; use the information to identify needed improvements.	1	All Students	R&E	2010 and semi-annually beyond that date	Graduate surveys show increased satisfaction with MMSD experiences.	Resources for data collection and analysis.	Ongoing: Senior surveys completed across all schools. 2010/11 Grant to follow up on Status the following year. Review National Student Clearing House data Through DPI.
3 Develop an annual communications plan based on the data collected in steps 1 and 2; 3. Develop a consistent, ongoing process for telling stakeholders what the district is doing, reporting progress, and seeking input and feedback. Within this process, develop an annual communication plan based on data collected in steps 1 and 2 • Focus on positive branding telling the story of the MMSD school experience and publicize the benefits of graduating from MMSD • Include specific strategies that target specific media	1- <u>2</u>	All Students	BOE, Management Team Superintendent; Central Office Administrators; School Administrators	2009-2010 and annually thereafter	Communication Plan The strategic plan will be available in a vanety of languages and reported annually The budget will be presented in an understandable way Principals will regularly provide information about MMSD's strategic plan. SIP, school and student achievement to all stakeholders, and ask for feedback MMSD will share results of systematic, rigorous, evaluation of programs and policies with stakeholders	Consultant to assist in developing the communication plan. \$2000 Space rental for annual meeting or engagement sessions. Support from school PTOs Realign public information office staff to support	Hold: Re-visiting alternatives.

Action Step	Priority	Critical Issue	Responsible Personnel	Time Frame	Visible Result	Resources Needed	Status
 Include outreach to specific groups, such as realtors, opinion leaders, neighborhood associations and business leaders in developing and implementing the plan. Include strategies for celebrating, promoting, and disseminating information about student and staff achievements. 					5. MMSD will be in compliance with legal standards and share results with stakeholders 6. MMSD will identify and annually report on top measures of its performance 7. Regular public engagement sessions will be held by the BOE and the Superintendent	implementation of the plan (administrative reorganization)	
Develop a consistent, ongoing process telling stakeholders what the district is ing, reporting progress, and seeking out and feedback.	12	All Students	BOE; Superintendent; Central Office Administrators; School Administrators	2009-2010 and ongoing thereafter	The strategic plan will be available in a variety of languages and reported annually The budget will be presented in an understandable way Principals will regularly provide information about MMSD's strategic plan, SIP, school and student	Existing resources \$2,000 Space rental for annual meeting or engagement secsions	Ongoing: Strategic Plan meeting, State of the District report and presentation Re-Organization plan that redefines
Merged	with Action	n Step #3.			achievement to all stakeholders, and ask for feedback 1. MMSD will share results of systematic, rigorous, evaluation of programs and policies with stakeholders 5. MMSD will be in compliance with legal standards and share results with stakeholders 5. MMSD will identify and annually report on lop measures of its performance		Public Information into Public Information and Community Engagement., department Plan being developed. One Community Engagement Session held at Marquette.

Regular public engagement sessions will be held by the BOE and the Superintendent

Organization/Systems Action Plan—Cooperation/Collaboration

Action Step	Priority	Critical Issue	Responsible Personnel	Time Frame	Visible Result	Resources Needed	Status
Identify best practices in curriculum and instruction, behavior,	1	Culturally Relevant:	Director Teaching and Learning;	Fall 2009 and ongoing thereafter	Electronic tools to support sharing of practices are created.	Resources for staff to	
safety, inclusion, and cultural relevance; routinely provide		i '	Director Educational	tre care	and available to staff. 2. All staff Leadership		It Plans, Cool Tools School Wide Rules
opportunities for staff to share mplementation of these practices			Services; Content Area Leadership			Funds for annual Leadership	and Expectations)
across schools.			Teams; Professional		practices. 3. PD incorporates sharing best	Conference	High school cultural relevance teacher
			Development Leaders		practices.	Staff time	hired, Classroom Action Research
						\$40,000	MSAN students, share out late May
							Additional
							elementary school added to the pilot school program.
							Asd part of re-
et en							organization, new process for
							curriculum identification and
·							implementation being developed.

Organization/Systems Action Plan—Decision-Making

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Action Step	Priority	Critical Issue	Responsible Personnel	Time Frame	Visible Result	Resources Needed	Status
The Board of Education, Superintendent, and other MMSD administrators will directly link decisions and priorities to the strategic plan.	1	All Students; Budget	MMSD Administrative staff	2009-2010 and ongoing thereafter	All major decisions and policies will clearly state how they are linked to the strategic plan.	Existing resources Develop a system to track funding sources	Ongoing: Board of Education Presentation format included implications for Strategic Plan and Equity Plan
Systematically meet with parents at every school to make sure all schools and groups have input into decisions.	1	All Students	Superintendent; Assistant Superintendents for Elementary and Secondary Schools; School Principals, BOE	2009-2010 and ongoing thereafter	Increase in BOE member and MMSD Administrator opportunities to engage with parent/family groups	Existing resources	Not Started

Organization/Systems Action Plan—Partnerships

Action Step	Priority	Critical Issue	Responsible Personnel	Time Frame	Visible Result	Resources Needed	Status
 MMSD will seek to develop and support additional partnerships that are mutually beneficial to both the district and the partnering individual or group, that add value to and meet one of the district's goals and priorities. 	1	21 st Century Skills		2009-2010 school year and ongoing	Current partnerships are identified and mapped Template for creating new partnerships is developed	Coordinate and monitor partnership activities Existing Resources	Ongoing: Children's Mental Health Collaborative (Grief Groups, Trauma Groups) 4-K Council, Schools of Hope, Truancy Court in 2 High Schools



Strategic Plan Action Plans Year Two: 2010 - 2011

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Action Step	Priority	Critical Issue	Responsible Personnel	Time Frame	Visible Result	Resources Needed	Status
. Define successful MMSD raduate outcomes: Content knowledge Civic-minded skills Life-enriching skills Social-emotional skills	1	Opportunity for Success	Assistant Superintendent to identify a team consisting of: Middle/High school staff, T & L, Ed Services, Student Services Curriculum Action Team	November 2009	1. An Action Team is developed that includes leaders from our schools, business community, technical schools, Institutes of Higher Education, parents, and students. Composition of team will include leaders from our schools, business community, technical schools, Institutes of Higher Education, parents, and students.	Existing resources	Completed
. Define successful MMSD raduate.		Opportunity for Success	Assistant Superintendent and Action Team	1	Partnership for 21 st Century Skills. 3. Life-enriching skills which may include but is not limited to: extra-curricular activities (athletics, clubs, organizations) and service learning opportunities.	1. Extended employment compensation for meetings/work time beyond contract day. Approximate cost estimate: 300 total hours x \$15.00/hr = \$4,500; 20 (1/2 day subs = \$2000; total = \$6,500. 2. Food costs when meetings take place during dinner hours. Approximate cost estimate: \$1,000 3. Possible consulting fee(s)	Completed a drai document (not ye ready for externa dissemination).

Student Action Plan - Achievement for All Students Responsible Time Resources Needed **Action Step** Priority Critical Issue Personnel Frame Visible Result **Status** personal interests/skills/values: understanding of the 16 Career Clusters which describe the world of work; developmentallyappropriate mastery of 21st-Century Skills; a plan which incorporates the student's knowledge of personal interests/skills/values, his/her understanding of the world of work, and his/her mastery of 21st-Century Skills into a career pathway identifying appropriate post-secondary education and employment options. 3. Develop and implement an All Students: Assistant Done 1. The electronic-based ILP will 1. Consulting/ Completed template electronic-based individual learning for K-5 and 9th Opportunity for Superintendents to be developed in collaboration programming grade. This is plan (ILP) for all MMSD students, Success identify an ILP with University of Wisconsin development/evaluati prioritizing students in grades 9 - 12 Action Team. staff to meet the unique needs on fee to enable the electronic and both in initial implementation. of the MMSD. The ILP will be ILP to interface with are ready to begin in based off of the WisCareers Infinite Campus (\$ the fall. platform which will interface 17,000). with Infinite Campus, the District's information management system. 2. Identify a subgroup of the ILP 2. External Action Team to create an ILP Assistant Done evaluation cost is Superintendents. implementation plan that covered in the Instructional includes a mechanism for aforementioned Council, and ILP feedback and evaluation (e.g., consulting/programm Action Team. survey instruments, external evaluation conducted by the development/evaluati Wisconsin Center for on fee listed above. Educational Research).

			Responsible	Time	Marinia Design	Resources	Cinti
Action Step	Priority 1	Critical Issue	Personnel Assistant Superintendents and ILP Action Team.	Prame October, 2009 - March, 2009	Visible Result 3. ILP implementation plan will clearly articulate the following:	time for teachers/staff. Approximate cost	Statu
			Assistant Superintendent, ILP Action Team, and building administrators.	2010-11 school year	4. Implement the ILP professional development plan district-wide with fidelity.	This is dependent upon the implementation plan. Should the district opt to utilize early release or already scheduled professional development days, the costs can be significantly reduced. Alternative options include: 1. Extended employment and or substitute release	

Student Action Plan - Achievement for All Students Responsible Time Resources Personnel **Action Step** Priority | Critical Issue Frame Visible Result Needed Status teachers/staff. 2. Food costs when meetings take place during dinner hours. Develop a multi layer system of Members of Completed 4. Establish and implement a Achievement Gap; Management In progress to consistent system of measurable All Students; Team be completed measurement to be established Management Team outcomes to determine student, Opportunity for by 2010 and implemented. will participate in Success Measurement system includes developing system of school, and district progress in school year measurement. Staff eliminating the achievement gap. but is not limited to: Formal assessments (e.g., from Research and Evaluation will need WKCE, Explore, Plan) Student progress relative to to be active ILP goals and success/ participants. progress over time Additional Research High school completion Staff to support the rates multiple data Student participation in measurements. continuing education opportunities beyond high school (two draft surveys have been completed: senior survey and post graduation outcomes survey) The following assumptions are used across all measures: All metrics will come from an existing source whenever possible, e.g., DPI WINSS, ISES, School Performance Report, etc. All metrics related to students will be

disaggregated by the

Student Action Plan – Achievement for All Students Responsible Resources Time Priority Critical Issue Action Step Personnel Frame Visible Result Needed Status following groups if the data are available; gender, DPI or MMSD race/ethnicity categories, income status (i.e., low income vs. not low income), special education status, English Language Learner (ELL) status. Up to three years of data will be used for an historical analysis. Some measure will not have that much history as they are recent or being created for the first time with this project. See attached document for complete list of measurements. 4.1 Implement research-based Additional strategies to Assistant 2009-10 Existing resources instructional strategies to eliminate Superintendents eliminate the achievement gap are defined and implemented the achievement gap. and Department Executive using information from MSAN Directors. school districts, High School Reform Research, Turnaround Models K-12 Literacy models. Examples of changes are: K-5 Turnaround Model Schools AVID expanded to Middle Schools. EPASS usage ILP Implementation for K-5 and 9th Grade High School Reform Initiatives PBS Coaches CEIS Interventionists PSTs in Schools Abeyance Program

Student Action Plan - Achievement for All Students Responsible Time Resources Personnel Visible Result **Action Step** Needed Status **Priority** Critical Issue Frame 5. Develop and implement Superintendent Committee will Continue partnership with Staff Time Achievement Gap: Ongoing planning be established United Way for Play and Learn. partnerships to prepare every Opportunity for and Assistant student for kindergarten (EC Success Superintendent for once 4K is options, Play and Learn, K-Ready Summer School, and universal 4-K) Elementary approved. Continue to work with the 4K community group (40 members) until 4K is a reality. Continue quarterly meetings with After School programs (which also serve early childhood children) Developed a permanent Early Childhood Leadership Council from the existing 4K Committee, which is well representative of the community. The purpose of the committee is to review the 4K programs in the schools and the community and enhance early childhood communication with MMSD.

Student	Action	Plan -	Relationships	

Student Action Plan - Relationships								
Action Step	Priority	Critical Issue	Responsible Personnel	Time Frame	Visible Result	Resources Needed	Status	
Identify and implement multiple strength-based measures of staff, student, and family relationships.	1	Safe and Welcoming	Management Team		Establish internal MMSD group of staff, administration and parents to create strength-based measures that include the following: • development of tools • communication plan, • accountability measures, • ongoing professional development for staff, • data review plan • connection to SIP and DIP Gallup Poll inservice in 2/10 resulted in a new principal hiring tool (Insight) and provided an instrument for principals to use to determine their strengths and connect them to SIP and AGAs. This will be explored as a resource for student use. Schools use an annual questionnaire to determine the types of family involvement used in schools there are six types measured each year.	Research and Evaluation and School Improvement Planning will need to commit considerable time and resources to this action step.	In process, Accountability measures are complete.	
 A school communication plan is developed and consistently followed across all schools. (Examples may include Infinite Campus Parent portal, district and school web sites, 	2	Opportunity for Success	Instructional Council	2010-2011	The most important result will be improved parental involvement of traditionally disengaged families.	District leadership will need to determine the best departmental assignment for this	Year 2 development.	

Student Action Plan - Relationships

Student Action Plan - Re	Student Action Plan - Relationships									
Action Step	Priority	Critical Issue	Responsible Personnel	Time Frame	Visible Result	Resources Needed	Status			
school and teacher newsletters, and community meetings.)					Community mid-year meeting at Marquette. Open Classroom meeting in May with parents.	action step, encompassing the setting of the standard and developing processes for planning at the school level.				
Identify and implement a professional development plan for teaching relationship-building skills including overcoming barriers and creating high expectations for all students. This involves both staff-student and staff-staff relationships.	3	Improving Staff	Principals and Departments	2010-2011	Improved sense of community reported by students on selected Climate Survey items. Reorganization will support this with a PD Department.	This action step will rely on collaborative work including district and school-based expertise, MSCR, and other community resources.				
4. Analyze new and existing systems of support (e.g., Positive Behavior Support, problem-solving intervention teams, accelerated learning opportunities) and identify and implement a consistent set of community building activities and programs for use across all schools. (Examples Tribes, responsive classrooms, Fix-It Plans, and Caring Classrooms among others.)	2	Safe and Welcoming; Improving Staff	Student Services, Instructional Council, and Principals	2010-2011	Consistent implementation of activities and programs across schools. PBS Models across all of the schools.	Consistent evaluation plan and method of sharing results.	In process.			
5. Identify and implement innovative and effective school structures that enhance staff-student relationships. (Examples include multi-age classrooms, small class sizes, smaller learner communities, and houses among others.)	2	Achievement Gap; Safe and Welcoming	Principals and Instructional Council	2011-2012	Consistent implementation of structures across schools. HS Redesign Sennett School Instructional Design BOE Discussion on Magnets and Charters at end of year Multi-Age Work Group	Consistent evaluation plan and method of sharing results.				

Student Action Plan - Re Action Step	ips Critical Issue	Responsible Personnel	Time Frame	Visible Result	Resources Needed	Status
				Ready Set Goal Conferences and ILP		
6. Identify existing school- community resources and partnerships. Establish common student achievement and social emotional outcomes. Determine gaps that may exist across schools. Coordinate programs equitably across schools.	Opportunity for Success; Resource Allocation	Principals, Departments, and Instructional Council	2010-2011	Plan in place Madison Foundation BOE Common School Measures Social Emotional Leadership Standards Equity Report	Survey of schools	Year 3.

Student Action Plan - Transitions

Action Step	Priority	Critical Issue	Responsible Personnel	Time Frame	Visible Result	Resources Needed	Status
The definitions of each transition category will be communicated across the district.	1	Opportunity for Success	Assistant Superintendents	October 31 of each year	All stakeholders are knowledgeable of the definitions of each category.	Que Pasa Web page	In process. Will communicate at K- 12 principal meetings.
District departments and each school will assess gaps and needs based upon the transition categories, leading to planned improvements and new strategies. A planning document will be developed to ensure that all relevant transition categories are addressed.	2	Achievement Gap; Opportunity for Success	Collaborative process with staff, parents, and community stakeholders	October 31 of each year	All stakeholders will be knowledgeable of the transition plans for each level to communicate needs of children to close the achievement gap.	Sub release/ ext employment Food/snacks Supplies Transportation Adequate child care Professional development for staff Marketing Plan (see #1)	In process. Will process at K-12 principal meetings.
3. The district and school will develop instruments to determine levels of satisfaction for each transition category to reach the goal. School grade level staff, principal, and parents will be surveyed annually.	3	Opportunity for Success	Information Services Department: Research and Evaluation	Develop instrument that has benchmarks for satisfaction 6/30/10 and implemented in October of each year.	Survey is in place annually and the results of survey indicate satisfaction of the transition process across the district.	R&E staff to develop instrument	Year 3.
Departments and schools will use the data from the instruments to determine transition plans for improvement for future years.	3	Opportunity for Success	Assistant Superintendents, and SIP Committees	October 31 of each year	SIP reflects improvement goals.	See #2	Year 3.

Curriculum Action Plan	Curriculum Action Plan – Accelerated Learning									
Action Step	Priority	Critical Issue	Responsible Personnel	Time Frame	Visible Result	Resources Needed	Status			
Map current course sequences in all content areas K-12, identifying prerequisites and obstacles in order to improve achievement for all students and close the achievement gap, reduce barriers for all students and identify opportunity gaps. (See	1	Achiev. Gap; All Students Curric. Rigor	Curriculum & Assessment, Research & Evaluation, School-based leadership	Fall 2009	K-12 course alignment in Eclipse	Dedicated time from Curriculum & Assessment, Research and Evaluation and school-based leadership	Completed Middle and High school course maps, pre- requisites and common course names. In process			
also TAG Plan, Goal 2) Align current course content in all content areas K-12 to the Common Core State Standards and the ACT College and Career Readiness Standards.						one of the state o	Next steps to reduce barriers and obstacles due to pre-requisites and opportunity gaps.			
Analyze course sequences and allocate resources to address inconsistencies and inequities across the district	1	Curriculum Rigor	Assistant Superintendents, Central Office, Principals	Winter 2009	Data available to inform restructured programs and accelerated learning systems prior to 2011-2012 budget cycle and staffing allocation.	Staff time Dedicated time from Assistant Superintendents, Central Office, Principals Re-allocation of available resources as needed	Completed Middle and High school course maps, pre- requisites and common course names and 3 year plan to provide equitable advanced placement (AP) courses.			
							In process Next steps to address inconsistencies and inequities across the district.			

Curriculum Action Plan	n – Accel	erated Learnin	g	***************************************			
Action Step	Priority	Critical Issue	Responsible Personnel	Time Frame	Visible Result	Resources Needed	Status
							Work to ensure equitable access to reading instruction and interventions in middle school with particular focus on 6th grade.
3. Analyze course enrollment and successful completion for all student groups to determine baseline data for comparison and growth. (See also Cultural Relevance Step 1)	1	All Students; Culturally Relevant	Research & Evaluation, Curriculum & Assessment	2009-2010	Completed analysis	Staff time	Completed
Define rigor, accelerated learning and 21st Century skills to build common language and understanding.	1	21st Century; Curriculum Rigor	Curriculum & Assessment, Educational Services, School- based leadership	2009-2010	Document, to be updated periodically, detailing specific outcomes and the data showing results	Staff time	Completed
5. Use curriculum mapping (e.g., Eclipse) to determine standards-based outcomes and improve learning pathways and course sequence by identifying gaps and repetition. Focus initially at secondary level.	1-2	Curriculum Rigor	Curriculum & Assessment Educational Services, School- based leadership	2009-2011	Revised elementary, middle and high school curricula	Professional development for teachers; Staff time	Selected high schools have analyzed course expectations based on College & Career Readiness Standards.
							12 instructional leaders attended the Common Core Conference to gain District

ırriculum Action Pla			Responsible	Time	Visible Result	Resources	
Action Step	Priority	Critical Issue	Personnel	Frame	Control of the second	Needed	Status
3 - 1 - 1 - 1 - 1 - 1 - 1 - 1 - 1 - 1 -		- :					direction for implementation
				Andrew American Ameri			Middle Schoo World Langua
						A management of the state of th	K-6 Common Literacy stand
	T. Calabrida (Control of Control						9-12 Commor Core, College Career Readir Standards and ACT Quality C
							Social studies course sequer for 9-10 th grad mapped at 3 h schools.
							In process District-wide u of curricular mapping align with College a Career Readir Standards and Common Core Standards
nplement cross-level teache as to increase and improve anced course options uring intentional transition as for students as they move elementary to middle to	1-2	21st Century; Curriculum Rigor	Educational Services, School- based leadership	2009-2011	Cross-level teacher teams established. Improved advanced course options, with diverse student enrollment.	Professional development; Staff time	On-going 42 staff from 8 secondary sch participated in 3-year DPI

Action Step	Priority	Critical Issue	Responsible Personnel	Time Frame	Visible Result	Resources Needed	Status
							Placement Initiative Grant to build vertical alignment across grades.
Implement 2009 Board of Education approved TAG plan to improve academic outcomes and engagement for all students	1	Achievement Gap; All Students	Curriculum & Assessment, TAG Division	2009-2010	Results as defined in the 2009 Board of Education approved TAG Plan	Resources as defined in the 2009 Board of Education approved TAG Plan.	TAG Plan Update to the Board of Education Januar and June, 2010.
2. Implement 2009 Board of ducation approved Fine Arts ask Force recommendations to approve academic outcomes and agage all students. Implement 009 Board of Education approved Fine Arts Task Force ecommendations to improve cademic outcomes and engage all students	1	Opportunity for Success	Curriculum & Assessment, Fine Arts Division	Spring 2010	Results as defined by Board of Education approved Fine Arts Task Force Administrative Recommendations-	Fine Arts Task Force Resources as defined in the approved plan.	Fine Arts Task Force Updates to the Board of Education on January and June 2010.
Implement the Math Task orce Recommendations as pproved by the Board of ducation to improve academic utcomes and engage all tudents.	1	Opportunity for Success	Curriculum & Assessment, Mathematics Division	2009-2012	Results as defined by Board of Education approved Math Task Force Administrative Recommendations.	Math Task Force Resources as defined in the approved plan.	Math Task Force Updates to the Board of Education on November, 2009 and May, 2010.

^{*}Advanced learning opportunities or systems refer to a sequence of learning options that address the next level of challenge for a student.

Curriculum Action Plan	Curriculum Action Plan – Assessment										
Action Step	Priority	Critical Issue	Responsible Personnel	Time Frame	Visible Result	Resources Needed	Status				
Complete MMSD Balanced Assessment Plan to guide future implementation of assessment tools and strategies	7	21st Century Skills	Research & Evaluation, Curriculum & Assessment, Educational Services	2009-2010	MMSD Balanced Assessment Plan	Existing resources	Completed District-wide Assessment Committee formed and met regularly through 2009-10. MAP and SCANTRON Pilots District-wide conducted. EPAS/Explore Test piloted at middle and high. In process Re-convene District-wide Assessment Committee for 2010-11. Confirm and implement benchmark assessment tools				
							for grades 3-7.				
 Examine external assessments to analyze and inform MMSD curriculum, instruction and assessment. 	1	21st Century Skills	Assistant Superintendents, Curriculum & Assessment, Educational Services	2009-2010	Documented list of external expectations in content areas that connect to District standards and learning outcomes	Professional Development, Staff Time	Completed District-wide assessment team established in October, 2009.				
							All Departments have identified assessment gaps				

Curriculum Action Plan – Assessment Responsible Time Resources Personnel Needed Frame Visible Result Action Step Priority | Critical Issue Status and tools to address those gaps. 150 staff members have engaged in book discussions around formative assessment and design 21st Century Completed 2009-2010 9. Map big ideas in core content 1 Assistant Documented list of external areas as a basis for development Skills Superintendents, expectations in content areas that connect to District Assessment pilots of common assessments Curriculum & Assessment, standards and learning for: Educational outcomes Benchmark Services Assessments TAG Assessments Reading

Interventions

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Action Step	Priority	Critical Issue	Responsible Personnel	Time Frame	Visible Result	Resources Needed	Status
Research effective, culturally relevant standards-based practices in Civic Engagement (e.g. service learning, participatory education and democratic classrooms)	1	21st Century Skills; Culturally Relevant	Curriculum & Assessment, Educational Services, Student Services	2009-2010	Recommend a definition of service learning for MMSD	Existing resources	Completed
2. Implement social studies curricular recommendations to meet Wisconsin High School Graduation Requirements, insuring instruction in state and local government (PI 18.03(1)(a)2 is fully met within the required MMSD 3 credit social studies course sequence requirements.	1-2	Curriculum Rigor	Curriculum & Assessment	2009-2011	Clear course guides and syllabi descriptions of required secondary level social studies courses indicating PI 18 is fully met	Existing resources	High school course sequence, Learning gaps are identified. Resources provided to all high schools to embed instruction in state, local, tribal and government into required courses. In process Steps to resolve inconsistencies across high schools.
All staff will work collaboratively and assume responsibility as a community to support all students' learning and achievement in order to close achievement gaps.		Achievement Gap, All Students	Assistant Superintendents, Principals, Central Office	On-going	Teams implement strategies for culturally relevant problem- solving including using ideas from MMSD Guidelines to Address Culturally Responsive Practices: Early	Time for team collaboration Professional development	In process Professional collaboration time at the secondary level will include system-wide focus

Curriculum Action Plan	– Civic E	ngagement					
Action Step	Priority	Critical Issue	Responsible Personnel	Time Frame	Visible Result	Resources Needed	Status
	3				Intervention Through Assessment.		on improving instruction for all students.

Curriculum Action Pla	Curriculum Action Plan – Cultural Relevance										
Action Step	Priority	Critical Issue	Responsible Personnel	Time Frame	Visible Result	Resources Needed	Status				
Analyze course enrollment and successful completion by student groups to determine baseline data for comparison and growth. (See also Accelerated Learning Step 3).	1	All Students; Cultural Relevance	Research & Evaluation, Curriculum & Assessment	2009-2010	Completed analysis	Staff time	Completed				
Standards-based curriculum will reflect the cultural backgrounds of all students (e.g. contemporary concerns and historic struggles of a variety of cultural groups). MMSD classrooms will evidence positive images and cultural references (arts, curricular materials, teaching resources) for all learners.	1	Cultural Relevance	Principals, Curriculum & Assessment, Educational Services	2009-2010	Cultural relevance walk through(s) will document the presence of standards-based curricula and classroom evidence that reflects the cultural backgrounds of the students present.	Budget for instructional resources	Intensive work at pilot schools (K-5). A series of walk throughs based on culturally relevant practices and data have been conducted (K-5)				
Expand professional development for teacher cohorts around culturally relevant curriculum, instruction and assessment.	1	Cultural Relevance; Improving Staff	Curriculum & Assessment, Division of Equity & Family Involvement, Educational Services	2009-2010	The cohort of teachers will become more culturally responsive in their teaching practices as measured by pilot evaluation plan and walk throughs (see Step 2).	Salary for Instructional Resource Teacher(s) for Cultural Relevance (ARRA funding) Professional development for cohort teachers, other staff, principals and parents Partnership with higher education.	A year-long series of six strands of professional development have been provided at Falk and Mendota (K-5). In process Analysis of pre and post data from pilot schools (K-5) Launched multi-year professional				

Curriculum Action Plan - Cultural Relevance Responsible Resources Critical Time Priority Personnel Frame Visible Result Needed Status Action Step Issue development with secondary staff representing 7 middle and 4 high schools (6-12)4. Create and implement a Cultural Student Services. 2009-2010 Baseline data collected Support of Student Completed data management system to Relevance: Research & Evaluation district- wide as well as in Services and New behavior monitor student behavior (e.g. Safe and pilot school(s) Research and management web disaggregated Climate Survey) based reporting Welcoming Evaluation and differences in the Explore community system this school Department to experiences and perceptions of partnerships in evaluation design plan, collect year. Training students and families. plan, data analysis and data, and analyze provided by PBIS results. team to school monitoring teams. Climate survey data analyzed and reported. Data workshop provided May 2010 to all schools. 5. Establish district Cultural Superintendent, Senior 2009-2010 District infrastructure for Allocation of Completed infrastructure to support and Relevance Management cultural relevance. resources for The Re-organization sustain cultural relevance cultural relevance (administrative reinfrastructure. Plan has created a Division of Equity and organization). Family Involvement within the Department of Curriculum & Assessment. The Division brings together an Assistant Director, Minority Services Coordinators, Cultural Relevance IRT's, Title VII and Hmong PST.

		Critical	Responsible	Time		Resources	
Action Step 7. Create a set of sample lesson plans that infuse the principles of cultural relevance into standards-based, cross-disciplinary curricula.	Priority 1	Issue Cultural Relevance	Personnel Curriculum & Assessment, Division of Equity & Family Involvement, Educational Services	2009-2010	Visible Result Examples of standards- based, culturally relevant curricula are available for use in professional development	Needed Staff time Professional development	Completed Culturally relevant lesson plans for elementary literacy (K-5). In process High school history and English exemplars ((6-12).
9. Develop goals to support cultural relevance within the School Improvement Plans (SIP) that specifically target the underserved population(s) of the school.	1	Achievement Gap; All Students; Cultural Relevance	Assistant Superintendents, Principals	2009-2010	School Improvement Plans will include measurable objectives addressing the needs of underserved populations in the school	Existing SIP resources	In process
10. Establish school-based student equity teams at the middle and high school levels to discuss, monitor, and problem-solve issues related to race and other equity concerns.	1-2	Cultural Relevance	Principals, School- based leadership	2009-2011	Site-based student equity teams and minutes from meetings that record ideas and efforts	Staff leadership at each site	Interviews have bee conducted with student groups and equity teams. In process Analysis of interview data and development of plan for next steps.
11. Expand the role of community members in supporting and sustaining culturally relevant practices.	1	Cultural Relevance	Division of Equity and Family Involvement, Curriculum & Assessment	2009-2010	Advisory group established that has diverse membership.	Existing Resources	Completed Read Your Heart of Literacy Day (K-5) Established

Curriculum Action P	Curriculum Action Plan – Cultural Relevance										
Action Step	Priority	Critical Issue	Responsible Personnel	Time Frame	Visible Result	Resources Needed	Status				
		:					relationship with MMSD, Umoja Magazine, and MTI to publish family empowerment articles (K-12).				
							In process				

Action Step	Priority	Critical Issue	Responsible Personnel	Time Frame	Visible Result	Resources Needed	Status
Implement best practices in flexible instruction (e.g. differentiation, universal design)-	1	Opportunity for Success	Professional Development Department, Curriculum & Assessment, Educational Services, School- based leadership	2009-2010	Research-based working definition of flexible instruction made explicit in professional development for staff	Existing resources	In process
2. Curriculum, Instruction and assessment design and decisions require teacher teams to collaborate in order to meet the needs of all students in a classroom environment. Teams will include representation from regular education, special education, ESL and gifted programming.	1-2	All Students; Improving Staff	Assistant Superintendents, Principals, School- based leadership	2009-2011	Instruction will include multiple options for student learning (e.g. open ended tasks), range of instructional methods (e.g. simulations, project-based), and assessment strategies (e.g. demonstration, portfolio) in all classrooms Evidence of co-planning and co-teaching during classroom walk-throughs Increased academic success of all students as measured by district and state assessments Positive results on assessments that measure individual student progress over time (value added)	Professional development will be designed and implemented to reflect the importance of flexible instruction as core practice in MMSD. Time and structures for team collaboration; Extended employment and/or sub release	75 staff attended differentiation lesson planning professional development in May, 2010. In process Elementary math pilot to extend assessment practices for ELL. and students with disabilities

Staff Action Plan—Professional Development

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Action Step	Priority	Critical Issue	Responsible Personnel	Time Frame	Visible Result	Resources Needed	Status			
The district will develop site-based and district-wide professional learning communities/teams to foster continuous improvement in leadership and in quality instructional practices for all students in all curricular areas, including cultural relevance.	1	Improving Staff	Superintendent, assistant superintendents.	January 2010	Effective learning communities/teams are in all schools District-wide team created consisting of central office administrators, teachers, principals, and school-based instructional leaders	Extended employment and/or sub release Professional development	Embedded professional development will be implemented at middle schools and high schools in 2010-11. Reorganization plan calls for this "Leadership Team" to be in place for 2010-11.			
2. All staff members will regularly collaborate within one or more established professional learning community (ies)/team(s) to engage in a continuous cycle of improvement focused on student learning and engagement and work –place culture.	1		Superintendent, Assistant Superintendents, District-wide team	September 2009 on-going thereafter	Students will: 1. attain or exceed grade level proficiency in core subject areas 2. acquire and apply critical thinking, problem solving and communication skills 3. engage in civic activity 4. be active participants in shaping their learning experiences 5. acquire and apply skills needed to live and contribute in a diverse local and global community 6. acquire and apply skills needed for personal growth and well-being and creative expression	Staff time Professional development	SIP plans are collaborative and done by feeder pattern so middle and high schools are "on the same page". Continued emphasis on K-12 articulation, scope and sequence will occur at joint principal, IRT, Learning Coordinator, and HS Department chair meetings and professional development opportunities.			
The district will collaborate with the community to develop inclusive culturally responsive schools	1	Culturally Relevant, Improving Staff	Superintendent, Assistant Superintendents, and/or management team members will create a team consisting of: district-wide	2009-2010	District-wide leadership team established See visible results for step	Staff time Extended employment and/or sub release	Hired secondary level culturally responsive expert to work with schools. This mirrors the elementary position already in place.			

Staff Action Plan—Profess	Staff Action Plan—Professional Development										
Action Step	Priority	Critical Issue	Responsible Personnel	Time Frame	Visible Result	Resources Needed	Status				
			leadership committee which includes community stakeholders, Assistant Director of Curriculum & Assessment—Equity & Parent Involvement and Culturally Relevant Resource Teachers								
4. The district will implement supervision and evaluation procedures to support all instructional staff in meeting or exceeding proficiency with established state standards throughout their careers. This will facilitate high-quality instructional practices, evidence-based methodologies, culturally responsive practices, and 21 st Century technologies, content, and skills so as to ensure high levels of learning by all students. (Consistent with TAG Plan and Equity Force Recommendations)	1	Improving Staff	Superintendent, Deputy Superintendent Assistant Superintendents, Director of Human Resources	2009-2010	See visible results action step 2.	Existing Resources	Adoption of the Act Career & College Readiness Standards and the ACT EPAS assessments. Ongoing discussions regarding use of new tools and methods to make supervision and evaluation more timely, more relevant, and more useful (ie: Instructional Rounds, Critical Friends, Gallup 360 Degree model)				
6. The district will ensure that its school improvement processes and professional development systems and practices align with effective research-based practices such as the National Staff Development Council's (NSDC) Standards for Staff Development.	2		Superintendent, Assistant Superintendents and/or Management Team members will create a district professional development team comprised of: administrators/teach ers representing all	2010-1011	Attain or exceed grade level proficiency in core subject areas Acquire and apply critical thinking, problem solving and communication skills Be active participants in shaping their learning experiences Acquire and apply skills	District staff (particularly the professional development team) will need professional learning opportunities in the development/ implementation of effective research-based practices such as the National Staff Development Council's	Professional Development Director and the new department will be in place in August 2010. Management Team will be involved in professional development training centered on central office becoming more responsive to the schools needs.				

Staff Action Plan—Professional Development

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Action Step	Priority	Critical Issue	Responsible Personnel	Time Frame	Visible Result	Resources Needed	Status
			major departments and school-based staff when appropriate.		needed to live and contribute in a diverse local and global community 6. Acquire and apply skills needed for personal growth and	(NSDC) Standards for Staff Development. Possible needs: 1. Extended	
7. The district will develop systems and approaches to coordinate and link professional development initiatives.	1	Improving Staff	Superintendent and Deputy Superintendent Assistant Superintendents, Director of Prof. Development	2009-2012	Professional development plan aligned with strategic priorities.	Existing Resources	Reorganization plan creates PD department.
8. Foster partnerships with university and college pre-service teacher preparation programs so that quality program offerings that are a match to MMSD's needs are available to staff. (Consistent with Math Task Force recommendation.)	2		Superintendent, assistant superintendents, and or management team members will create a team consisting of: central office administrators, Human Resources, principals, Select Government Programs, teachers, mentors, and partnerships with higher education agencies/DPI.		Partnerships are established with institutions of higher education to provide continuing education aligned to strategic priorities.	Existing Resources	Ongoing meetings with the Office of Professional Outreach at U.W. Madison and Edgewood College to establish stronger partnerships.

Staff Action Plan—Recruiting and Retaining Staff

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Action Step	Priority	Critical Issue	Responsible Personnel	Time Frame	Visible Result	Resources Needed	Status			
Establish a plan similar to Future Teachers of America to attract high school students of color into the field of education and teaching in MMSD—Teach for Madison.	1	Staff Reflects Students	Assistant Superintendent- Secondary	2010-2012	MMSD has a workforce of highly trained staff that teaches students what they need to know and inspire students to learn.	Staff time	La Follette and Edgewood College partnership promoting teaching as a career through a mentoring and scholarship program.			
Establish strong relationships with university and college preservice teacher preparation programs similar to the Professional Development School model used by UW Madison.	1	Staff Reflects Students	Assistant Superintendents and Director of Professional Development	2009-2010	MMSD has a workforce of highly trained staff that teaches students what they need to know and inspire students to learn.	Existing Resources	Ongoing conversations with U.W. School of Ed and Outreach about structural changes to the way practicum and student teachers are placed and supported.			
Enhance a hiring preference system for positively evaluated student teachers and administrative interns, and teacher/interns who are employed during summer school.	1	Staff Reflects Students	Director of Human Resources and Employment Manager	2009-2010	MMSD has a workforce of highly trained staff that teaches students what they need to know and inspire students to learn.	Existing Resources	HR has developed a system to capture this information and to add to the ranking of positively evaluated summer school staff, student teachers and interns.			
5. Create an early hire pool of teachers as a means to attract highly qualified candidates, including staff of color, and increased applicants in shortage areas.	1	Staff Reflects Students	Director of Human Resources and Employment Manager	2009-2011	MMSD has a workforce of highly trained staff that teaches students what they need to know and inspire students to learn.	Existing Resources Travel Expenses	This year the ability to offer early contracts was greatly limited by the budget process and the uncertainty of the number of external hires we would have. We did interview and offer early contracts to 7 bilingual teachers.			
7. Expedite the advertisement of open positions and offer/acceptance procedure.	1	Staff Reflects Students	Director of Human Resources and Employment Manager	2009-2011	Streamlined recruitment and hiring procedures	Existing Resources	This has been discussed, but the budget proceedings delayed any implementation this year.			
Annually review and evaluate the recruitment and hiring process.	1	Staff Reflects Students	Director of Human Resources	2009 and on- going thereafter	Streamlined recruitment and hiring procedures	Existing Resources	A report was submitted to the BOE on May 10 detailing the recruitment and hiring results of the District. This will be updated annually.			
Develop a formal mentoring system for principals to mentor new principals – peer assistance system.	1	Staff Reflects Students	Assistant Superintendents	2009-2010	Formal mentoring/per assistance program for administrators.	Existing Resources Plus a Small Stipend for Mentors	In discussion phase.			

Staff Action Plan—Recru		Critical Issue	Responsible	Time Frame	Visible Result	Resources Needed	Status
12. Develop a culture that embodies the belief that retention of staff of color is every staff person's responsibility; include communities of color in retention efforts.		Staff Reflects Students	Assistant Director- Curriculum & Assessment- Equity & Parent Involvement	2009-2012	MMSD has a workforce of highly	Additional Clerical	New emphasis on community partnerships and engagement.
13. Provide professional development for administrators to learn how to interview in a culturally competent manner.	1	Staff Reflects Students	Director of Human Resources, Director of Professional Development, Assistant Director- Curriculum & Assessment- Equity & Parent Involvement	2009-2011	MMSD has a workforce of highly trained staff that teaches students what they need to know and inspire students to learn.	Consulting Fees	HR staff are working in collaboration with staff from the UW to develop an interview tool to assist with measuring cultural competence. This is expected to be completed in June of 2010.

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1. Tie budgetary decisions to a system-wide measurement tool (i.e., make funding decisions based on data, e.g., Madison Measures – City of Madison). Begin with business and non-instructional operations as	Priority 1	Crifical Issue	Personnel Superintendent, Assistant Superintendents, Other Administrators	Frame On-going	Visible Result Measurement tool developed and implemented.	Needed Staff time External Partners \$125,000 for Action Step 1 plus Action Steps 1,2,3	Status Completed Facility Assessment. Studying and reviewing Madison Measures for long term planning tool.
a pilot. Use data from pilot to revise and make decisions about expansion.						under Rigorous evaluation.	
Evaluate current use of technology resources to identify where resources are underutilized and determine methods for how technology resources can be used to improve effectiveness.	1	Resource Allocation	Chief Information Officer	2009-10 school year	Effective use of current technology in classrooms and offices Technology Plan is deployed.	Resources for Technology (See Technology Plan)	Implementing several tech plan goals including electronic documents, automating tasks, utilizing cloud-base systems & software
3. Develop a five-year district budget and roadmap to determine how we would get there	1	Budget	Assistant Superintendent Business Services, Director of Budget, Planning & Accounting	2010-11	Five Year Budget Plan exists and is transparently communicated.	Existing Resources	The team discusses this item and felt it was important to move from a level 2 priority where it was initially set to a level 1 for the upcoming year. Details for how this action item is actually put into operational form remains the challenge. A comparison to current budget planning practices ineeded as a first

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Resource/Capacity Action Plan – Rigorous Evaluation											
Action Step	Priority	Critical Issue	Responsible Personnel	Time Frame	Visible Result	Resources Needed	Status				
Identify appropriate quantitative and qualitative evaluation methods to answer questions related to the key district goals.	1	Resource Allocation	Director of Research & Evaluation	Fall 2009	Matrix of programs and methods with capacity to conduct defined analyses	Staff, external partners \$125,000 for Action Step 1 under Prioritize and Allocate Resources plus Actions Steps 1,2,3 under Rigorous Evaluation	Presented an evaluation protocol model to the Board at the June 2010 meeting				
Inventory the existing data sources in curricular areas, program areas, and business functions	1	Resource Allocation	Director of Research & Evaluation, Assistant Superintendent Business Services	Fall 2009	Data map	Staff Technology External partners	Review of existing data occurring as we deploy a new data warehouse system (by December 2010)				
Identify data gaps from existing sources in relation to key district priorities (reading, math, and science), and devise systems to collect data to fill any gaps	1	Resource Allocation	Director of Research & Evaluation, Assistant Superintendent Business Services	Fall 2009	Data needs are identified and systems created to gather information needed	Staff Technology External partners	Deploying key performance measure in a dashboard format (Fall/Winter 2010)				
4. Allocate time for school staff and departments to analyze data and strategize appropriate responses to that data.	1	Resource Allocation	Superintendent, Assistant Superintendents	On-going	Building-specific plans would be created in response to the data.	Release time for school staff; Data discussion facilitators	Quarterly data workshops, school data profiles, progress monitoring walls, Wallace Foundation teacher leadership development workshops				
5. Conduct value added analysis in appropriate content areas (reading, math) by grade level and student subgroups. Correlate these results with best instructional practices and professional development strategies.	-	Resource Allocation	Director of Research & Evaluation, consultants	On-going	Report produced that includes interpretation	Staff External partners	Conducted school valued added for year 3, developing classroom value added now, exploring what instructional practices data to collect				

6. Conduct analysis of non- academic functions, (e.g., energy use, transportation, Fund 80, and calendar) to identify cost efficiency options.	4	Resource Allocation	Assistant Superintendent Business Services	2009-10 school year	Report produced including comparison of district with other Wisconsin districts	Staff External partners	Hired Energy Management Company to help control energy usage, streamlined transportation for regular and special education, working to create long term strategy for Fd 80. The administration is asked to identify other non- academic functions which are the focus of such analyses during the upcoming year.
7. Identify appropriate rigorous standards (i.e., commonly accepted national standards, NAEP) and benchmark comparisons (e.g., the district against itself over time, State of Wisconsin, large Wisconsin districts, etc.) for all key student outcomes.	1	Resource Allocation	Superintendent, Assistant Superintendents, Director of Research & Evaluation	2009-10 school year	Standards and benchmarks approved	Staff External partners	Future discussions about benchmarks pending changes in state assessments
8. Conduct cost analysis by subject, grade level, school, (cost per student), and then correlate this data with student outcomes; conduct this as a longitudinal analysis. Explore implications for site-based planning and resource allocations.	1	Resource Allocation	Assistant Superintendent Business Services, Director of Budget, Planning & Accounting, Director of Research & Evaluation	2001-11 school year	Report produced that includes interpretation	Staff, external partners	

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Action Step	Priority	Critical Issue	Personnel	Frame	Visible Result	Needed	Status
Develop ongoing strategies to identify resources needed to achieve desired outcomes	1	Resource Allocation	Superintendent, Assistant Superintendents, Other Administrators	On-going	Increased resources that are aligned to priority outcomes.	Re-orient existing structures if possible. External partners	ARRA funds, new grants (e.g., Sherman CLC)
Analyze possible partnerships and achieve collaborations (private, public, state) which might aid in more efficient delivery of service and funding strategies. (Consistent with Fine Arts Task Force recommendations.)	1	Budget	Administrators	On-going	The number of partnerships will increase.	Existing resources External partners	The review team considered partnerships to be critical in meeting district goals. The team recommended a wording change to the item. In addition to analyzing partnership opportunities the team added the terr "and achieve" to the action statement. It is not only important to identify partnerships, but to actually implement them during the coming year as well Re-organization moves partnerships to superintendent's office, food program partnership, Madison CATS

3. Use data to develop marketing	1	Budget	Superintendent,	2009-10	Retention of MMSD students	External partners	See
and/or branding mechanisms and			Coordinator for	school year	will increase.		Organization/Syste
strategies (e.g., in order to retain			Public Information,			l	ms Action Plan,
current students and recruit			consultants		A plan with defined strategies		Communication,
students to MMSD)					for marketing MMSD brand is	İ	Action Step 3
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Organization/Systems Action Plan--Climate

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Action Step	Priority	Critical Issue	Responsible Personnel	Time Frame		Visible Result	Resources Needed	Status
The district will actively support all schools in successfully meeting climate goals as stated in school improvement plans. (Consistent with Equity Task Force recommendations.)	1	Safe and Welcoming	School Principals	2009-2010 and ongoing	2.	continuously improve the climate within their buildings	Increased time for schools to collaboratively develop and implement school improvement plans.	Ongoing: Increase sub time middle & high for collaboration. Yearly SIP review with schools
4. All schools in the district will develop and implement behavior and discipline practices that are consistent, systematic, positive, restorative and data driven. (Consistent with Equity Task Force recommendations.)	1	Safe and Welcoming	Assistant Superintendents; Director of Alternatives and Student Services; School Principals	2009-2011	2.	Reduction in staff needed to manage behavior issues.	and support for Behavior	Ongoing: 5 H.S, All Middle & 19 Elem. trained at the Universal Level (80- 85% of students) 13 Elem. Summer/fall 2010. Each school PBS leadership Team Code of Conduct revisions and expulsion abeyance options being developed
All schools will develop systems that promote student engagement.	4	Safe and Welcoming		2009-2010 and ongoing	incr	oroved attendance rates reased participation in nool-sponsored activities		Ongoing: Responsive Classroom Training 179 teachers summer 2010 (classroom management, tone for the day) 4 high school engagement coordinators. Extremely positive response.

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organization/systems Action Plan—Communication												
Action Step	Priority	Critical Issue	Responsible Personnel	Time Frame	Visible Result	Resources Needed	Status					
Study trends in out-of-school district transfers; continue initiatives toward surveying families leaving; gather information about MMSD and its programs and students from residents who do not have children attending school.	1	All Students	R&E	2009-2010 and ongoing	The number of families leaving MMSD will decrease. A report is published annually that summarizes information from families leaving the district beginning in 2009-2010.	Resources for data collection and analysis. Possible purchase of services from outside research consultant. \$10,000	Ongoing: Yearly fall review of inter-transfer pattern. 2008/09 Open Enrollment Report.					
Survey recent graduates about their experiences; use the information to identify needed improvements.	1	All Students	R&E	2010 and semi-annually beyond that date	Graduate surveys show increased satisfaction with MMSD experiences.	services from outside research consultant. \$10,000	year, Review National Student Clearing House data Through DPI.					
3. Develop a consistent, ongoing process for telling stakeholders what the district is doing, reporting progress, and seeking input and feedback. Within this process, develop an annual communication plan based on data collected in steps 1 and 2 • Focus on telling the story of the MMSD school experience and publicize the benefits of graduating from MMSD • Include specific strategies that target specific media • Include outreach to specific groups, such as realtors, opinion leaders, neighborhood associations and business	1-2	All Students	BOE, Management Team Superintendent; Central Office Administrators; School Administrators	2009-2010 and annually thereafter	Communication Plan 1. The strategic plan will be available in a variety of languages and reported annually 2. The budget will be presented in an understandable way 3. Principals will regularly provide information about MMSD's strategic plan, SIP, school and student achievement to all stakeholders, and ask for feedback 4. MMSD will share results of systematic, rigorous, evaluation of programs and policies with stakeholders	Consultant to assist in developing the communication plan. \$2000 Space rental for arnual meeting or engagement sessions. Support from school PTOs Realign public information office staff to support	Hold: Re-visiting alternatives.					

Organization/Systems Action Plan—Communication

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Action Step	Priority	Issue	Personnel	Time Frame		Visible Result	Needed	Status
leaders in developing and	,				5.	MMSD will be in compliance with	implementation of	
implementing the plan.	:				1	legal standards and share results	the plan	
 Include strategies for celebrating, 	:				1.	with stakeholders	(administrative	
promoting, and disseminating	:]6.	MMSD will identify and annually	reorganization)	
information about student and	:				1	report on top measures of its		
staff achievements.					I_	performance		
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Action Step 1. Identify best practices in curriculum and instruction, behavior, safety, inclusion, and cultural relevance; routinely provide opportunities for staff to share implementation of these practices across schools.	Priority 1	Critical Issue Culturally Relevant; Improving Staff	Personnel Director Teaching and Learning; Director Educational Services; Content Area Leadership Teams; Professional Development Leaders	Time Frame Fall 2009 and ongoing thereafter	1. Electronic tools to support sharing of practices are created and available to staff. 2. All staff Leadership Conference regularly held and devoted to sharing best practices. 3. PD incorporates sharing best practices.	electronic tools. Funds for annual Leadership Conference Staff time \$40,000	

Organization/Systems Action Plan—Decision-Making

Action Step	Priority	Critical Issue	Responsible Personnel	Time Frame	Visible Result	Resources Needed	Status
The Board of Education, Superintendent, and other MMSD administrators will directly link decisions and priorities to the strategic plan.		All Students; Budget	MMSD Administrative staff	2009-2010 and ongoing thereafter	All major decisions and policies will clearly state how they are linked to the strategic plan.	Existing resources Develop a system to track funding sources	Ongoing: Board of Education Presentation format included implications for Strategic Plan and Equity Plan
Systematically meet with parents at every school to make sure all schools and groups have input into decisions.	V	All Students	Superintendent; Assistant Superintendents for Elementary and Secondary Schools; School Principals, BOE	2009-2010 and ongoing thereafter	Increase in BOE member and MMSD Administrator opportunities to engage with parent/family groups	Existing resources	Not Started

Organization/Systems Action Plan—Partnerships											
Action Step	Priority	Critical Issue	Responsible Personnel	Time Frame	Visible Result	Resources Needed	Status				
5. MMSD will seek to develop and support additional partnerships that are mutually beneficial to both the district and the partnering individual or group, that add value to and meet one of the district's goals and priorities.	1	21 st Century Skills	Superintendent's office		2. Template for creating new partnerships is developed	Coordinate and monitor partnership activities Existing Resources	Ongoing: Children's Mental Health Collaborative (Grief Groups, Trauma Groups) 4-K Council, Schools of Hope, Truancy Court in 2 High Schools				

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Our mission is to cultivate the potential in every student to thrive as a global citizen by inspiring a love of learning and civic engagement, by challenging and supporting every student to achieve academic excellence, and by embracing the full richness and diversity of our community.

To do this work we are committed to implementing the Strategic Plan and, in so doing, addressing six overarching areas for improvement.

- 1. Improving Achievement for All and Eliminating Achievement Gaps with a Focus on Excellence and Equity by:
 - a. identifying a system for involving families in a meaningful and ongoing manner
 - b. developing a system of academic interventions and enrichments to support needs of all students
 - c. committing to the implementation of Individual Learning Plans (goals for each student) to improve educational experiences and long-term outcomes
 - d. improving transitions for students and parents
 - e. reaching or exceeding grade level proficiency standards in reading and math
 - f. integrating research-based literacy instruction in all content areas PK-12
 - g. implementing culturally relevant practices that will increase student achievement
 - h. expanding innovative and alternative programs to meet the needs of our diverse learners
 - i. focusing on relationships and decisions that honor and respect students' race, heritage, and culture
 - j. ensuring a baseline level of funding to address curricular resources for all students while establishing equity based on need to ensure all students are learning at high levels
 - k. ensuring facilities and building environments are conducive to student learning
- 2. Improving Achievement for All and Eliminating Achievement Gaps with a <u>Focus on Core Practice</u> by:
 - a. ensuring a defined, rigorous, and consistent curriculum with a PreK-12 scope and sequence that engages all students
 - b. ensuring learning at high levels by implementing rigorous academic and social emotional standards through the curriculum
 - c. practicing inclusive and culturally relevant educational practices
 - d. implementing a consistent instructional framework
 - e. implementing a contemporary student assessment system aligned to rigorous standards that include frequent formative assessments

- f. committing to inquiry-based data analysis that focuses on improved student learning for all students
- g. focusing on the civic mission of schools and service learning
- h. implementing school cluster support teams in support of improvement of student achievement
- 3. Improving Achievement for All and Eliminating the Achievement Gap with a <u>Focus on Early and Extended Learning</u> and Intervention by:
 - a. implementing an inclusive, quality Four-Year-Old Kindergarten program in collaboration with community partners
 - b. communicating with the community about early and extended learning opportunities
 - c. ensuring implementation of research-based instructional strategies for 4K-3rd reading and math
 - d. ensuring after-school and summer school programming that provides accelerated learning opportunities aligned with the standards
- 4. Improving Achievement for All and Eliminating Achievement Gaps with a Focus on Staff by:
 - a. providing focused, job-embedded professional development to increase staff knowledge and skills to maximize academic achievement for all
 - b. using effective practices to recruit, select, and retain high quality staff
 - c. implementing supervision and evaluation practices that are tied to teacher and leadership standards
 - d. expediting recruitment and hiring
 - e. recruiting, selecting, and retaining staff of color
 - f. recruiting, selecting, and retaining culturally competent staff
 - g. supporting professional learning communities to improve district and school cultures
 - h. leveraging the staff recertification process, linking it to district priorities
 - i. supporting the development of instructional leaders
- 5. Improving Achievement for All and Eliminating Achievement Gaps with a Focus on Accountability by:
 - a. assuring consistency and alignment through a five-year cycle of culturally responsive curriculum planning and evaluation
 - b. implementing and evaluating district and school improvement planning aligned to the Strategic Plan
 - c. completing evaluation of district programs and interventions using disaggregated data information by race, income, and disability for all stakeholder groups
- 6. Improving Achievement for All and Eliminating Achievement Gaps with a <u>Focus on Engagement and Communication</u> by:
 - a. providing educational workshops and systems to encourage parent involvement in the schools

- b. enhancing and expanding partnerships with families and community organizations to align with critical work
- c. implementing stakeholder groups Parent Council, Teacher Council, Support Staff Council, and Leadership Council
- d. enhancing community engagement practices
- e. communicating effectively with staff
- f. developing and utilizing a consistent and comprehensive system to communicate with all members of the community
- g. identifying what we do well and communicating that message to the community

