

BLUEPRINT UPDATES

JANUARY 2022

Board of Education Meeting

Brighton Blueprint 2021-2022

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New York State Education Department Definition

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CULTURALLY RESPONSIVESUSTAINING EDUCATION

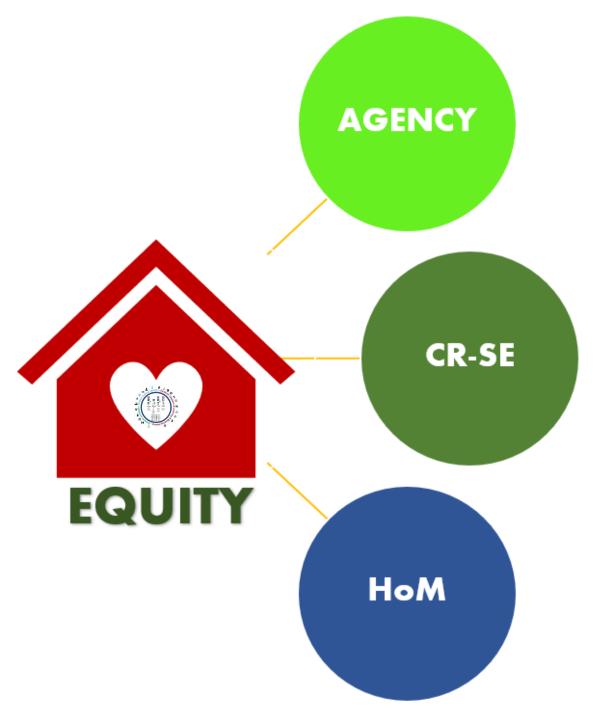




Culturally Responsive & Sustaining Education: Continue to build opportunities to learn for faculty

Curriculum Council - continued work with Habits of Mind

- Greg Ahlquist Growth Mindset and Habits of Mind
- Establishing a plan to develop common language around Habits of Mind in all school buildings by June 2023



AGENCY

At the core of equity is the ability of the educational system to support the development of both the capacity and the freedom of learners to exercise choice regarding what is to be learned and co-create how that learning is to take place. This freedom of choice allows the student to feel empowered to make effective changes in their lives and the lives of their community.

CULTURALLY RESPONSIVE TEACHING

Learner-centered environments recognize students' cultural displays of learning and meaning-making to respond to the learner with positive and constructive pedagogical practices that develop the agency in the students to become independent learners; as a result, the learner could respond productively, responsively, and with a sense of empowerment to make a difference on themselves and the world.

HABITS OF MIND

HoM are necessary to support the development of students' intellective capacity, which is the ability of the student to process information effectively and independently for the agency. The HoM empowers the students to find solutions to problems for which there are no answers. The habits of the mind are those processes that become automatic and release the energy to do the hard thinking to innovate, problem-solve, think critically and work effectively with a team.



Culturally Responsive & Sustaining Education: Continue to build opportunities to learn for faculty

School Based Equity Teams

 Panorama Education: Culture and Climate survey of staff, students and families

April Superintendent's Conference Day

 Continued choice professional learning around diversity, equity, inclusion, and social emotional learning



Culturally Responsive & Sustaining Education: Continue to build opportunities to learn for families

 PTSA meetings scheduled throughout the spring to share some updates from building equity work including work of School Based Equity Teams.



Culturally Responsive & Sustaining Education: Continue to adapt and revise curriculum to support teaching and learning within a CRSE framework

- Review of equity work in ELA across all grades to help scaffold learning and review texts used
- Planning unit revisions for Summer 2022 has begun!



Support for individualized student learning following return to 5 day in-person instruction.

- On demand tutoring support for students in the evening hours and on weekends
- Support for students in quarantine or with COVID learning from home

Academic Rigor for All: What's Next?

School Based Equity Teams:

- Assessment of the curricular and instructional strengths and needs of each school building around CRSE
- Culture and Climate survey data with Panorama

Spring Conference Day:

 Continue to develop a tool kit of resources for teachers and faculty around Culturally Responsive Practices and tools for student learning



Systems and DEI: 2021-2022 Objectives



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Systems and DEI: Action Steps – Hiring Practices



- 1. Hiring Practices: Partner with RE-Center for "audit" of Hiring Practices Playbook: Recruitment targets, interview committees, interview question, evaluation standards
- 2. Leverage data used by Building Equity Teams to evaluate question: Why would a BIPOC teacher or administrator want to work and thrive in the Brighton Central School District

Systems and DEI: Action Steps - School Start Time



School Start Time: Explore options to allow secondary students to start school later in the morning

- Meeting on 1/13 to review the Community ThoughtExchange
 - Reviewed thoughts by Stakeholder group
 - Some themes of concern include:
 - Moving CRPS earlier
 - Ending BHS and TCMS later impact on extracurricular, work and ability to meet homework demands
 - Financial Cost

Systems and DEI: What's Next?

- Hiring Practices: Establish monthly meetings with RE-Center and Hiring Practices Committee to improve hiring processes.
- Start-Time: Invite team from Webster CSD to review feedback noted in ThoughtExchange and identify opportunities to mitigate stakeholder concerns
- Learning Environments: Establishing building-level facility planning committees.



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Mental Health and Wellness: Staffing



Staffing Updates: Increased staffing to support mental health objectives (Restorative Practices, Restorative Discipline, Social Emotional Learning)

- K-2: School Counselor Dana Peterson
- FRES: School Counselor Catherine Huey
- TCMS Social Worker in the Path Program Malaika Knight
- K-8 District Psychologist Candidate interviews in process

Mental Health and Wellness: Social Emotional Learning



Continue to develop and implement a District-wide SEL Curriculum

- 1. Committed to working with Panorama
- 2. On-going SEL happening in ALL buildings across the district
- 3. Bivona lessons (SEL is embedded)

Mental Health and Wellness: Partnership with Panorama

Panorama: Provides tools for pulling together all the data behind student success to make it visible

Screening tools to measure both student and adult Social Emotional Learning

- Survey adults (faculty and staff)
- Survey students in May/June

Mental Health and Wellness: Potential Survey Topics (Panorama)

Student Skills & Competencies

- Growth Mindset
- Self-management
- Social Awareness
- Learning Strategies

Student Supports, Environment & Well Being

- Cultural Awareness
- School Climate
- Teacher/Student Relationships
- School Safety
- Equity and Inclusion

Adult SEL & Well Being

- Growth Mindset
- Self-management
- Well Being
- Belonging

Mental Health and Wellness: SEL Across the District (for adults and students)

CRPS: Support staff spruced up the adult spaces; Wellness BINGO (self care with prizes; Learning for Justice lessons (Same and different quilt all students have a square)

FRES: Circle time (daily), interactive bulletin boards, MH staff pushing in for "Bruin time" and Learning for Justice lessons, Staff Friday feasts

TCMS: What's the Bruin doin'?, MLK Activity (school-wide)

BHS: Where's the Bear?, Culture and Climate Committee

Mental Health and Wellness: Partnership with Bivona

Direct Instruction Lessons

- PTSA Presentation: January 11
- Presentation to faculty and staff: January 24
- Schedule:
 - FRES February through mid-March
 - TCMS Mid-March through May
 - CRPS Indirect instruction, March through June



Mental Health and Wellness: What's Next?

- Panorama survey implementation
- Review and assess mental health strengths and needs including resources, curriculum, and implementation
- Establish partnerships to increase equity of access to community based mental health support
- Spring Conference Day:
 - Survey implementation
 - Provide overview and continued training to support
 Panorama resources and data review

