

Warrick County School Corporation

Strategic Plan

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Mission Statement

The mission of the Warrick County School Corporation is to provide a positive and safe instructional environment which promotes the intellectual, physical, emotional, and social growth of the individual and to encourage each student to become a lifelong learner and contributing member of society.

Goals

1. Provide safe, healthy, and orderly schools that foster student learning and demonstration of appropriate behavior.
2. Establish clear, rigorous, and relevant academic standards for all students, as well as high expectations of accountability and responsibility for all staff and faculty members.
3. Empower and engage all stakeholders to create a shared vision for continuous improvement of education and life-long learning.
4. Effectively integrate technology into the curriculum to enhance student learning and educational achievement.
5. Provide all employees continuous professional development opportunities aligned with Corporation and school goals.
6. Align all available resources so that every investment of time, energy, effort, and funding maximize educational achievement.

Strategic Plan and Timelines

1. Improve student and teacher access to technology.
2. Support teachers within the classroom to move to a digital curriculum and change their modes of instruction.
3. Expand the the technology practices and proficiencies of teachers and students.
4. Advance the corporation beyond the investigation and implementation stages to infusing and innovation.

Data utilized to develop these plans for the Warrick County School Corporation

WCSC - Impact Analysis done with the help of Five-Star Technologies (see the link under technology on the WCSC webpage)

1:1 Survey Results (conducted in the school year of 2015-2016)(see the link under technology on the WCSC webpage)

1 - Improve student access to technology

Rollout approximately 3500 devices to students in grades 9 to 12 in the fall of 2018.
This rollout will include 300 plus devices to the teachers and staff in the spring of 2018.

8th grade students in the fall of 2019 will receive devices.

7th grade students in the fall of 2020 will receive devices.

6th grade students in the fall of 2021 will receive devices.

K-5 device discussions will continue to take place of the next two years.

Infrastructure is currently upgraded at the high school buildings.

Infrastructure at the middle school buildings will start to take place in 2018 (summer)

District policies will be strengthened in the spring of 2018 to cover student devices.

Teacher training will take place in the spring and summer of 2018 with the devices.

2 - Support teachers within the classroom to move to a digital curriculum and change their modes of instruction

Employ an eLearning Coach in the winter/spring of 2018 to help set up and deliver training for teachers.

Continue training beyond the basic uses of G Suite in the spring and summer of 2018.

Develop a full implementation and training plan for onboarding digital learning tools and a learning management system. Fall 2018 to Fall 2019.

Move the high schools and middle schools toward a 100% digital curriculum.

Develop a communication plan in order to make sure parents understand the changes taking place.

3 - Expand the the technology practices and proficiencies of teachers and students

The eLearning coach will help develop a plan to increase the proficiencies of students and teachers with various software (including G Suite), a Learning Management System (LMS), and the use of data to drive instruction.

The eLearning coach will help develop and implement a plan to move the teachers from the Substitution and Augmentation levels of the SAMR Model to Modification and Redefinition.

Teachers and the eLearning coach will begin to strengthen student practices (Digital Citizenship curriculum) by developing mini-lessons to increase their skills with the devices as well as how to stay safe with the internet. Summer and Fall of 2018.

4 - Advance the corporation beyond the investigation and implementation stages to infusing and innovation

Roll-out of the devices to teachers (winter/spring 2018) and students (fall of 2018).

Develop professional learning plan for teachers to ready them for the introduction of new devices to their classrooms. Summer of 2018.

Start high school teachers on developing 100% digital curriculum in order to move the learning spaces from the classrooms to other areas that have more flexibility. Summer of 2018 and yearly after the introduction of this concept.

Warrick County School Corporation's 1:1 Timeline

2013-2014

Meetings held in the fall and spring to put together a committee of teachers, administrators, and school personnel to plan how Warrick County School Corporation will move forward with implementing a 1:1 program. Research was conducted by the committee members on best practices, types of devices, school corporations to visit, and software vendors to review.

2014-2015

Site visit to the Evansville-Vanderburgh County School Corporation (November 20, 2014)(All day)

Committee meetings in the fall and spring to review research and product information on software and devices.

2015-2016

Site visit to the Greater Clark Community School Corporation (November 17, 2015)(All day)
Conducted surveys for students, parents, and staff on their views for the 1:1 initiative. March 2016 school board presentation can be found at this link...

Committee meetings to introduce Google Apps for Education and review a possible pilot of devices for the 2016-2017 school year.

Summer of 2016 – Google Apps For Education (GAFE) – pilot program. 70 teachers trained for level 1 certification in GAFE.

2016-2017

Fall 2016 – setup pilot program of 105 Chromebook devices (Dell, Acer, Lenovo) at the high schools.

Fall 2016 – rollout GAFE pilot group

Fall 2016 – Technology Committee meeting – review devices and vendors

Spring 2017 – work on getting devices to the high school teachers - this may be delayed into the summer/fall (2017) in order to make certain the teachers have the same type device as the students.

Spring/Summer 2017 – more GAFE trainings for teachers in the corporation.

2017-2018 – Tentative (subject to change due to a variety of issues currently being addressed)

Winter 2018 – Teacher trainings in the high schools on the devices

Fall 2017 – Full implementation of GAFE throughout the school corporation

Fall 2018 – Student training in digital citizenship and use of devices

Fall 2018 – Rollout of devices to high school students (dependent upon finances and any possible delays in our infrastructure upgrades).