

## **DISTRICT GOALS 2016-2017 SCHOOL YEAR**

### **GOAL #1 – Student Achievement**

- Expand utilization of Google Classroom through Grades 1-5 to enable writing tasks, research projects and other shared classroom activities with students.
- Update all district curriculum guides to the New Jersey Student Learning Standards.
- Implement Wilson “FUNDATIONS” as needed in our K-2 grade levels.
- Expand the utilization of the Orton-Gillingham Reading and Wilson Reading throughout the District Grades K-12 as needed.
- Continue NJDOE Pre-School Expansion Grant and open an additional five classrooms in collaboration with Head Start. Classrooms are based at the newly renovated leased School 8 Annex, School 17 and School 12 Annex.
- Begin phased in implementation of integrated developmentally appropriate observation based assessment “Teaching Strategies GOLD” in pre-school and kindergarten classrooms as part of the NJDOE Early Assessment Initiative (KEA).
- Continue staff development and implementation of UDL (Universal Design for Learning) across all grade levels.

## **Goal #2 – 21<sup>st</sup> Century Readiness**

- Continue to expand student use of Chrome-books during daily classroom instruction in Grades K-12.
- Complete district e-mail to Google g-mail in preparation for student e-mail capabilities in Grades 9-12.
- Continued implementation of Next Generation Science Standards adopting new science texts in Grades K-12.
- Added hands-on Connected Math Units to high school Algebra classes to strengthen and support student transition from middle school.
- Enhance online math remediation programs by extending use of Study Island from Grades 3-12.
- Continue to explore additional Career Technology Education (CTE) options for our students in Grades 9-12.

### **Goal #3 – Communications/Community & Global Relationships**

- Present additional parent focused curriculum information nights to include: Updates in all content areas throughout the district K-12.
- Issue District/Board of Ed Newsletter quarterly.
- Implement “Stigma Free” programs throughout the Clifton School District.
- Explore additional communication options available through the parent portal.
- Develop a series of educational television shows highlighting the Clifton School District on our local cable channel.
- Update Middle Schools Students Introduction to Clifton High School by having counselors provide detailed information during formally scheduled seminars which explore the wide-variety of programs available to students in Career-Technology Education, the expansion of all electives and college level courses available for joint college and high school credit.

## **Goal #4 - School Culture & Climate Connections**

- Exploring the introduction of “Habits of Mind” to all of our elementary schools.
- Piloting “Breakfast After the Bell” in several district schools.
- Expand Positive Behavioral Supports in Schools (PBSIS) to the ninth grade at Clifton High School.
- Update & prioritize facilities needs in consultation with the BOE.
- Explore all grant opportunities.
- Continue to update security plans at elementary schools to include additional surveillance at all entry points.
- Reassess all security plans district wide for all facilities.