## Lehigh Valley Charter High School for the Arts

Schoolwide Title 1 Comprehensive Plan | 2024-2027

Profile and Plan Essentials

| LEA Type | AUN |  |
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| Charter School | 120483170 |  |
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## LEA Profile

Charter Arts is located minutes away from historic downtown Bethlehem, the heart of the Lehigh Valley. Located approximately 60 miles northeast of Philadelphia, the Lehigh Valley is home to many notable colleges and Universities. A diversity of cultures and historic preservation are prominent features of the ares. Charter Arts currently enrolls students from 40 surrounding area school districts and 10 counties.

The college preparatory curriculum is designed to develop individual potential while meeting the entrance requirements of America's competitive colleges and university. The program of students contains a full complement of college preparatory courses and each academic discipline offers honors level rigopr. Advanced placement courses are available in English, math, Social Studies, Science, Spanish, Art History, and Music theory. Students participate in a comprehensive Artistics program for three hours each day.

With 128 graduates in the Class of 2024, $77.3 \%$ continued on to a 4 year college, $5.5 \%$ continued to a two year college, $2.3 \%$ continued to a technical school program, $3.9 \%$ entered the workforce, and $10.9 \%$ are taking a gap year.

Our student population is 530 with a high degree of diversity. Of our 58 faculty members, $43 \%$ have advanced degrees. They share an average of 10 years of teaching experience. The current staff to student ratio is 1 to 10.
The Lehigh Valley Charter High School for the Arts is fully accredited by the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania Department of Education.

## Mission and Vision

## Mission

The Lehigh Valley Charter High School for the Arts provides a unique environment that fosters a creative academic approach to learning and a development of talent in the arts. Built upon passion, discipline and a commitment to excellence, this integrative educational experience inspires all students to believe in themselves and what they can accomplish.

## Vision

To develop the next generation of collaborative artists and innovative thinkers who will impact the world with a unique vision and voice.

## Educational Values

## Students

Intellectual \& Artistic Development: Charter Arts enables students to develop an intellectual capacity within an Artistic framework to which they are already passionately devoted. The student's level of comfort and accomplishment in their arts enables them to transfer their intellectual development into the academic classroom. The result is that Charter Arts students' grades in individual academic classes and test results on the state mandated Keystone's exceed the scores student's achieved prior to their attendance in Charter Arts. Students graduate from Charter Arts with a sense of expertise and accomplishment in both the arts and academics. They move into the larger world knowing that they can have a positive impact on their own lives and the lives of others. These personal and academic skills are transferable to the college and workplace environments.

## Staff

Dedicated Artistic and Professional Staff: The staff at Charter Arts bring their own artistic and professional backgrounds to the school, providing students with role models in both the academic and artistic areas, and inspiring students to believe in themselves and to develop their own vision and voice as collaborative artists and innovative thinkers.

## Administration

Unique \& Innovative Pre-professional Program: Charter Arts offers a pre-professional program in the arts that traditional area schools do not offer. Serving approximately 540 high school students in grades 9-12, Charter Arts has done an excellent job of educating these students in one of seven artistic fields: dance, instrumental music, literary arts, production arts, theatre, visual art and vocal music. The majority of students continue on to a post secondary education such as two or four year colleges, technical institutes, or arts conservatories.

## Parents

Supportive \& Engaged Families: Charter Arts believes that students will achieve their highest intention when the school community works in partnership with our student families and parents. Our dedicated families support their students and our school through participation in departmental parent associations where they volunteer with rehearsals, recitals, exhibits, performances, and more. Through school wide family engagement events, parents partner with teachers and administrators to learn the best ways to support their students from home during the high school years.

## Community

Collaboration \& Innovation: Located in the heart of the Arts District in Downtown Bethlehem, our local community is literally an extension of our school campus. Our students regularly perform out in the local community, and we invite the community to collaborate with our students as visiting artists and experts in their field. Through these unique community partnerships, our students gain valuable real-world experience as artists, innovators, thinkers, and leaders that will propel them into their next stages of artistic and academic pursuits.

## Other (Optional)

Omit selected.

Future Ready PA Index
Select the grade levels served by your school. Select all that apply.

| False K | False 1 | False 2 | False 3 | False 4 | False 5 | False 6 |
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| False 7 | False 8 | False 9 | False 10 | True 11 | True 12 |  |
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Review of the School(s) Level Performance
Strengths

| Indicator | Comments/Notable Observations |
| :--- | :--- |
| State Assessment | English teachers have a proven ability to grow students beyond predicted scores and for students to earn high |
| Measure | measures of success on the Literature Keystone Exam. |
| Career Standards | Seminar teachers and School Counselors have a proven ability to work with all students so that they exceed the <br> senchmark |

Challenges

| Indicator | Comments/Notable Observations |
| :--- | :--- |
| Industry Based <br> Learning | The Lehigh Valley Charter High School for the Arts falls well below the statewide average in all components of <br> Industry Based Learning. |
| Rigorous Courses of <br> Study | The Lehigh Valley Charter High School for the Arts falls about 16\% below the statewide average on Rigorous <br> Courses of Study. |

Review of Grade Level(s) and Individual Student Group(s)
Strengths

## Indicator

State Assessment Measure

## ESSA Student Subgroups

African-American/Black, American Indian or Alaskan Native, Asian (not Hispanic), Hawaiian Native/Pacific Islander, Hispanic, Multi-Racial (not Hispanic), White, Economically Disadvantaged, English Learners, Students with Disabilities

## Comments/Notable Observations

English teachers have a proven ability to grow ALL student groups beyond predicted scores and for ALL student groups to earn high measure of success on the Literature Keystone Exam.
Indicator
Career Standards Benchmark
ESSA Student Subgroups
African-American/Black, American Indian or Alaskan Native, Asian (not
Hispanic), Hawaiian Native/Pacific Islander, Hispanic, Multi-Racial (not
Hispanic), White, Economically Disadvantaged, English Learners,
Students with Disabilities

## Indicator

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African-American/Black, American Indian or Alaskan Native, Asian (not Hispanic), Hawaiian Native/Pacific Islander, Hispanic, Multi-Racial (not Students with Disabilities

## Challenges

## Indicator <br> Industry Based Learning <br> ESSA Student Subgroups

African-American/Black, American Indian or Alaskan Native, Asian (not Hispanic), Hawaiian Native/Pacific Islander, Hispanic, Multi-Racial (not Hispanic), White, Economically Disadvantaged, English Learners, Students with Disabilities

## Indicator

Rigorous Courses of Study
ESSA Student Subgroups
Economically Disadvantaged

## Comments/Notable Observations

Seminar teachers and School Counselors have a proven ability to work with ALL student groups so that every single subgroup exceeds the statewide average of the Career Standards Benchmark.

## Summary

## Strengths

Review the strengths listed above and copy and paste 2-5 strengths which have had the most impact in improving your most pressing challenges.

English teachers have a proven ability to grow ALL student groups beyond predicted scores and for ALL student groups to earn high measure of success on the Literature Keystone Exam.
Seminar teachers and School Counselors have a proven ability to work with ALL student groups so that every single subgroup exceeds the statewide average of the Career Standards Benchmark.

## Challenges

Review the challenges listed above and copy and paste 2-5 challenges if improved would have the most impact in achieving your Future Ready PA index targets.

The Lehigh Valley Charter High School for the Arts falls well below the statewide average in all components of this Industry Based Learning for ALL subgroups of students. There is no formal method in place for gathering the data associated with this challenge.
The Lehigh Valley Charter High School for the Arts falls about $16 \%$ below the statewide average in Rigorous Courses of Study. Although ALL subgroups of students fall below the statewide average, the Economically Disadvantaged lag behind the statewide average by approximately $30 \%$ points.

## Local Assessment

## English Language Arts

| Data | Comments/Notable Observations |
| :--- | :--- |
| AP English Language <br> and Composition <br> Exam | On the 2024 AP English Language and Composition Exam, 9 out of 10 students earned a score of 3 or higher and 5 <br> of those students earned at least a 4. The AP Language students' average $(\mu)$ score of 3.60 exceeded the state ( $\mu=$ <br> $3.06)$ and global averages ( $\mu=2.79)$. |
| AP English Literature <br> and Composition <br> Exam | On the 2024 AP English Literature and Composition Exam, all 9 AP English Literature \& Compositions students <br> earned a minimum score of 3; moreover, 7 out of 9 students earned at least a 4. The AP Literature students' average <br> $(\mu)$ score of 4.00 greatly exceeded the state ( $\mu=3.31)$ and global averages ( $\mu=3.16)$, which is the largest gap of all |
| AP humanities courses taught at Charter Arts. |  |
| Exam | On the Spring 2024 Literature Keystone Exam, 107 out of 124 testers (86.3\%) scored Proficient or Advanced. |
| CommonLit 360 | The English Department uses CommonLit's 360 assessment tool(s) to regularly measure student progress in a <br> variety of areas: reading comprehension, synthesis/analysis, vocabulary, and (generally) if students meet their <br> grade-level expectations for an English/Literature course. |

English Language Arts Summary

## Strengths

All student groups are scoring well above the statewide average on the Literature Keystone Exam.
All student groups exceed state and global averages on the AP English Language and the AP English Literature exams.

## Challenges

At risk students continue to need support to earn proficiency on the Keystone Exam.

## Mathematics

| Data | Comments/Notable Observations |
| :--- | :--- |
| Study Island | Diagnostic testing data on Study Island was used to gain an understanding of incoming Algebraic level. Data collection <br> continued throughout the year to show student growth and mastery within their identified level. 100\% of students <br> showed growth from the initial diagnostic test to the following test. |
| Edia | Specific topics were addressed using Edia within math classes allowing teachers to formatively assess students <br> throughout the school year. 100\% of students showed growth from initial diagnostic test to the following test. |
| District made | District made math placement tests allows students to be placed in the most appropriate level of math. 86 incoming 9th |


| placement tests | graders took the Algebra 1 placement test. 40 scored 60\% or greater, and 46 scored under 60\%. |
| :---: | :---: |
| Algebra Keystone Exam | On the Spring 2024 Algebra Keystone Exam, 32 out of 184 testers (17.4\%) scored Proficient or Advanced. |
| AP Calculus BC | On the 2024 AP Calculus BC Exam, 1 out of 1 student earned a score of 3 . The AP Calculus BC students' average ( $\mu$ ) score of 3.00 fell below the state ( $\mu=3.96$ ) and global averages ( $\mu=3.92$ ). |
| AP Calculus AB | On the AP Calculus AB Exam, 5 out of 11 students earned a score of 3 or higher (with just one student earning a 4). The AP Calculus AB students' average ( $\mu$ ) score of 2.36 fell below the state ( $\mu=3.36$ ) and global averages ( $\mu=3.22$ ). |
| College Board Classroom | Specific topics were addressed with College Board Classroom within AP Calculus classes allowing teachers to formatively assess students throughout the school year. |
| AP Statistics | On the 2024 AP Statistics Exam, 1 out of 1 student earned a score of 5. The AP Statistics students' average ( $\mu$ ) score of 5.00 far exceeded the state ( $\mu=3.18$ ) and global averages ( $\mu=2.96$ ). |

## Mathematics Summary

## Strengths

Placement tests help to target and support incoming 9th grade students in math. Based on these results, some high needs students will need to continue to work on foundational skills before they are placed in an Algebra 1 course.
Edia, Study Island, and College Board classroom supply the educators with formative data that steers the direction of the curriculum. This data allows educators to make decisions on after school tutoring recommendations.

Challenges
Algebra students often lack foundational skills at the beginning of the school year, and even when they demonstrate growth, they often fall below proficiency by the end of the school year.
Even after remediation, at-risk math students struggle to meet proficiency on the Algebra Keystone Exam.
AP Calculus AB students often lack all of the necessary skills to score a 3 or higher on the AP exam.

## Science, Technology, and Engineering Education

| Data | Comments/Notable Observations |
| :--- | :--- |
| District made <br> placement tests | District made Biology placement tests allows students to be placed in the most appropriate level of Biology. 128 <br> incoming 9th graders took the Biology placement test. 49 scored 75\% or greater, and 79 scored under 75\%. |
| Biology Keystone <br> Exam | On the Spring 2024 Biology Keystone Exam, 66 out of 157 testers (42.0\%) scored Proficient or Advanced. |
| AP Biology Exam | On the 2024 AP Biology Exam, 4 out of 4 students earned a score of 3 or higher and 1 of those students earned a 4. The <br> AP Biology students' average $(\mu)$ score of 3.25 fell slightly below the state ( $\mu=3.35)$ but slightly above the global |


|  | averages $(\mu=3.15)$. |
| :--- | :--- |
| Study Island | Diagnostic testing data on Study Island was used to gain an understanding of incoming Biology background knowledge. <br> Data collection continued throughout the year to show student growth and mastery within their identified level. |
| College Board <br> Classroom | Specific topics were addressed with College Board Classroom within AP Biology classes allowing teachers to <br> formatively assess students throughout the school year. |

## Science, Technology, and Engineering Education Summary

Strengths
Study Island and College Board classroom supply the educators with formative data that steers the direction of the curriculum. This data allows educators to make decisions on after school tutoring recommendations.
All student groups exceed global averages on the AP Biology exam.
Students scored above the state average on the Spring 2024 Biology Keystone Exam.
Challenges
Even after remediation, at-risk Biology students struggle to meet proficiency on the Keystone Exam.

## Related Academics

## Career Readiness

| Data | Comments/Notable Observations |
| :--- | :--- |
| Naviance | Students need to complete 100\% of their artifacts (8 total) in their Career and College Portfolio through Naviance in <br> order to graduate. |
| 3 year Seminar <br> Courses | Students will be required to attend these semester based Seminar series courses during their 9th, 10th, and 11th <br> grade years. |

Career and Technical Education (CTE) Programs
True Career and Technical Education (CTE) Programs Omit
Arts and Humanities
True Arts and Humanities Omit
Environment and Ecology
True Environment and Ecology Omit

## Family and Consumer Sciences

True Family and Consumer Sciences Omit
Health, Safety, and Physical Education
True Health, Safety, and Physical Education Omit
Social Studies (Civics and Government, Economics, Geography, History)
True Social Studies (Civics and Government, Economics, Geography, History) Omit

## Articulation Agreements

False We do not have any articulation agreements because we do not have high school students, or ALL current agreements have been uploaded to other FRCPP plans.

## Partnering Institution

DeSales University

## Agreement Type

Dual Credit

## Program/Course Area

Visual Arts and Literary Arts
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DeSales Charter Arts dual enrollment agreement.pdf

## Partnering Institution

Lehigh Carbon Community College

## Agreement Type

Dual Credit
Program/Course Area
General Education
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LCCC Dual Enrollment.pdf

## Partnering Institution

The Pennsylvania State University

## Agreement Type

Dual Credit
Program/Course Area
General Education
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Penn State Dual Enrollment.pdf

## Summary

## Strengths

Review the comments and notable observations listed previously and record 2-5 strengths which have had the most impact in improving your most pressing challenges.

We offer 3 semester based seminar courses that focus on Career \& College preparations. Students will complete a 3 year programs which utilizes Naviance and other tools for career readiness.

Students complete their Naviance lesson with a high completion rate.

## Challenges

Review the comments and notable observations listed previously and record 2-5 Challenges which if improved would have the most impact in achieving your Mission and Vision.

With only one year of the 11th grade Career and College Seminar, we will continue to hone this curriculum to best meet our students needs.
We are exploring ways to increase student access to industry based credentials.

## Equity Considerations

## English Learners

True This student group is not a focus in this plan.

## Students with Disabilities

True This student group is not a focus in this plan.

Students Considered Economically Disadvantaged
False This student group is not a focus in this plan.

| Data | Comments/Notable Observations |
| :--- | :--- |
| At Risk reports | Based on our most recent at-risk report, 45 out of 198 (or 23\%) are economically disadvantaged. |
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|  |  |

## Student Groups by Race/Ethnicity

True This student group is not a focus in this plan.

## Summary

## Strengths

Review the comments and notable observations listed previously and record the 2-5 strengths which have had the most impact in improving your most pressing challenges.

At-risk students have access to after school tutoring supports. This includes content specific specific subjects in math, Biology, and English along with general Homework Lab help. These tutoring sessions are offered in-person as well as remote.


Challenges
Review the comments and notable observations listed previously and record the 2-5 Challenges which if improved would have the most impact in achieving your Mission and Vision.

Based on our most recent at-risk report, 45 out of 198 (or 23\%) are economically disadvantaged.

## Supplemental LEA Plans

| Programs and Plans | Comments/Notable Observations |
| :--- | :--- |
| Special Education Plan |  |
| Title 1 Program |  |
| Student Services |  |
| K-12 Guidance Plan (339 Plan) |  |
| Technology Plan |  |
| English Language Development Programs |  |

## Strengths

Review the comments and notable observations listed and record those which have had the most impact in improving your most pressing challenges.

## Challenges

Review the comments and notable observations listed previously and record the 2-5 challenges which if improved would have the most impact in achieving your Mission and Vision.

## Conditions for Leadership, Teaching, and Learning

Focus on Continuous improvement of Instruction

| Align curricular materials and lesson plans to the PA Standards | Operational |
| :--- | :--- |
| Use systematic, collaborative planning processes to ensure instruction is coordinated, aligned, and evidence- <br> based | Operational |
| Use a variety of assessments (including diagnostic, formative, and summative) to monitor student learning and <br> adjust programs and instructional practices | Operational |
| Identify and address individual student learning needs | Operational |
| Provide frequent, timely, and systematic feedback and support on instructional practices | Operational |

## Empower Leadership

| Foster a culture of high expectations for success for all students, educators, families, and community members | Operational |
| :--- | :--- |
| Collectively shape the vision for continuous improvement of teaching and learning | Operational |
| Build leadership capacity and empower staff in the development and successful implementation of initiatives <br> that better serve students, staff, and the school | Emerging |
| Organize programmatic, human, and fiscal capital resources aligned with the school improvement plan and <br> needs of the school community | Operational |
| Continuously monitor implementation of the school improvement plan and adjust as needed | Operational |

## Provide Student-Centered Support Systems

| Promote and sustain a positive school environment where all members feel welcomed, supported, and safe in <br> school: socially, emotionally, intellectually and physically | Operational |
| :--- | :--- |
| Implement an evidence-based system of schoolwide positive behavior interventions and supports | Operational |
| Implement a multi-tiered system of supports for academics and behavior | Operational |
| Implement evidence-based strategies to engage families to support learning | Operational |
| Partner with local businesses, community organizations, and other agencies to meet the needs of the school | Operational |

## Foster Quality Professional Learning

| Identify professional learning needs through analysis of a variety of data | Operational |
| :--- | :--- |
| Use multiple professional learning designs to support the learning needs of staff | Emerging |
| Monitor and evaluate the impact of professional learning on staff practices and student learning | Emerging |

## Summary

## Strengths

Which Essential Practices are currently Operational or Exemplary and could be leveraged in your efforts to improve upon your most pressing challenges?

Align curricular materials, unit plans, and lesson plans to the PA Standards through curricular mapping.
Use a variety of assessments (including diagnostic, formative, and summative) to monitor student learning and adjust programs and instructional practices as needed.
Identify and address individual student learning needs through data collection.
Promote and sustain a positive school environment where all members feel welcomed, supported, and safe in school (socially, emotionally, intellectually, and physically).
Partner with local businesses, community organizations, and other agencies to meet the needs of the school.

## Challenges

Thinking about all the most pressing challenges identified in the previous sections, which of the Essential Practices that are currently Not Yet Evident or Emerging, if improved, would greatly impact your progress in achieving your mission, vision and Future Ready PA Index interim targets in State Assessment Measures, On-Track Measures, or College and Career Measures?

Build leadership capacity and empower staff in the development and successful implementation of initiatives that better serve students, staff, and the school.
Use multiple professional learning designs to support the learning needs of staff. Finding the funds to set aside for Ed Camp, Vector training, and more small group selective content specific PD sessions.
Monitor and evaluate the impact of professional learning on staff practices and student learning. Aside from utilizing a yearly PD survery, we need to find more ways to collect data.

## Summary of Strengths and Challenges from the Needs Assessment

## Strengths

Examine the Summary of Strengths. Identify the strengths that are most positively contributing to achievement of your mission and vision. Check the box to the right of these identified strength(s).

| Strength | Check for Consideration <br> in Plan |
| :--- | :--- |
| English teachers have a proven ability to grow ALL student groups beyond predicted scores and for ALL student <br> groups to earn high measure of success on the Literature Keystone Exam. | True |
| Seminar teachers and School Counselors have a proven ability to work with ALL student groups so that every <br> single subgroup exceeds the statewide average of the Career Standards Benchmark. | True |
| English teachers have a proven ability to grow ALL student groups beyond predicted scores and for ALL student <br> groups to earn high measure of success on the Literature Keystone Exam. | False |
| Seminar teachers and School Counselors have a proven ability to work with ALL student groups so that every <br> single subgroup exceeds the statewide average of the Career Standards Benchmark. | False |
| All student groups are scoring well above the statewide average on the Literature Keystone Exam. | False |
| Placement tests help to target and support incoming 9th grade students in math. Based on these results, some <br> high needs students will need to continue to work on foundational skills before they are placed in an Algebra 1 <br> course. | False |
| Edia, Study Island, and College Board classroom supply the educators with formative data that steers the <br> direction of the curriculum. This data allows educators to make decisions on after school tutoring <br> recommendations. | False |
| Study Island and College Board classroom supply the educators with formative data that steers the direction of <br> the curriculum. This data allows educators to make decisions on after school tutoring recommendations. | False |
| At-risk students have access to after school tutoring supports. This includes content specific specific subjects <br> in math, Biology, and English along with general Homework Lab help. These tutoring sessions are offered in- <br> person as well as remote. | False |
| Align curricular materials, unit plans, and lesson plans to the PA Standards through curricular mapping. | False |
| Use a variety of assessments (including diagnostic, formative, and summative) to monitor student learning and <br> adjust programs and instructional practices as needed. | False |
| Identify and address individual student learning needs through data collection. | False |
| Promote and sustain a positive school environment where all members feel welcomed, supported, and safe in <br> school (socially, emotionally, intellectually, and physically). | False |


| Partner with local businesses, community organizations, and other agencies to meet the needs of the school. | False |
| :--- | :--- |
| All student groups exceed state and global averages on the AP English Language and the AP English Literature <br> exams. | False |
| All student groups exceed global averages on the AP Biology exam. | False |
| We offer 3 semester based seminar courses that focus on Career \& College preparations. Students will <br> complete a 3 year programs which utilizes Naviance and other tools for career readiness. | False |
| Students complete their Naviance lesson with a high completion rate. | True |
| Students scored above the state average on the Spring 2024 Biology Keystone Exam. | True |

## Challenges

Examine the Summary of Challenges. Identify the challenges which are most pressing at this time for your Charter/Cyber Charter School and if improved would have the most pronounced impact in achieving your mission and vision. Check the box to the right of these identified challenge(s).

| Strength | Check for Consideration <br> in Plan |
| :--- | :--- |
| The Lehigh Valley Charter High School for the Arts falls well below the statewide average in all components of <br> this Industry Based Learning for ALL subgroups of students. There is no formal method in place for gathering the <br> data associated with this challenge. | False |
| The Lehigh Valley Charter High School for the Arts falls about 16\% below the statewide average in Rigorous <br> Courses of Study. Although ALL subgroups of students fall below the statewide average, the Economically <br> Disadvantaged lag behind the statewide average by approximately 30\% points. | False |
| The Lehigh Valley Charter High School for the Arts falls well below the statewide average in all components of <br> this indicator for ALL subgroups of students. There is no formal method in place for gathering the data <br> associated with this challenge. | False |
| The Lehigh Valley Charter High School for the Arts falls about 16\% below the statewide average. Although ALL <br> subgroups of students fall below the statewide average, the Economically Disadvantaged lag behind the <br> statewide average by approximately 30\% points. | False |
| At risk students continue to need support to earn proficiency on the Keystone Exam. | True |
| Algebra students often lack foundational skills at the beginning of the school year, and even when they <br> demonstrate growth, they often fall below proficiency by the end of the school year. | True |
| AP Calculus AB students often lack all of the necessary skills to score a 3 or higher on the AP exam. | False |
| Even after remediation, at-risk Biology students struggle to meet proficiency on the Keystone Exam. | False |
| With only one year of the 11th grade Career and College Seminar, we will continue to hone this curriculum to | False |


| best meet our students needs. |  |
| :--- | :--- |
| We are exploring ways to increase student access to industry based credentials. | False |
| Based on our most recent at-risk report, 45 out of 198 (or $23 \%$ ) are economically disadvantaged. | False |
| Build leadership capacity and empower staff in the development and successful implementation of initiatives <br> that better serve students, staff, and the school. | False |
| Use multiple professional learning designs to support the learning needs of staff. Finding the funds to set aside <br> for Ed Camp, Vector training, and more small group selective content specific PD sessions. | False |
| Monitor and evaluate the impact of professional learning on staff practices and student learning. Aside from <br> utilizing a yearly PD survery, we need to find more ways to collect data. | False |
| Even after remediation, at-risk math students struggle to meet proficiency on the Algebra Keystone Exam. | False |

## Most Notable Observations/Patterns

In the space provided, record any of the comments and notable observations made as your team worked through the needs assessment that stand out as important to the challenge(s) you checked for consideration in your comprehensive plan.

## Analyzing (Strengths and Challenges)

## Analyzing Challenges

| Analyzing Challenges | Discussion Points | Check for <br> Priority |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| At risk students continue to need support to earn proficiency on the Keystone <br> Exam. | How can we better utilize our at-risk report to <br> target these students? | True |
| Algebra students often lack foundational skills at the beginning of the school <br> year, and even when they demonstrate growth, they often fall below <br> proficiency by the end of the school year. | How can we integrate more of these <br> necessary foundational math skills into our <br> Algebra curriculum. | True |

Analyzing Strengths

| Analyzing Strengths | Discussion <br> Points |
| :--- | :--- |
| English teachers have a proven ability to grow ALL student groups beyond predicted scores and for ALL student groups to <br> earn high measure of success on the Literature Keystone Exam. |  |
| Seminar teachers and School Counselors have a proven ability to work with ALL student groups so that every single <br> subgroup exceeds the statewide average of the Career Standards Benchmark. |  |
| Students complete their Naviance lesson with a high completion rate. |  |
| Students scored above the state average on the Spring 2024 Biology Keystone Exam. |  |

Priority Challenges

| Analyzing Priority <br> Challenges | Priority Statements |
| :--- | :--- |
|  | Primary Root Cause: Need for a more systemic and collaborative approach to use the at-risk data to identify individuals <br> enrolled in trigger courses, provide needed supplemental instruction, and continue to monitor student progress. |
|  | Primary Root Cause: Need for a more systematic and collaborative approach to use benchmark assessment data to <br> identify individual learning needs, provide needed supplemental instruction, and continuously monitor student <br> progress. Other Notes: How to support first time test takers throughout the year? How to strengthen foundational skills <br> while also adding on algebraic skills. |

## Goal Setting

Priority: Primary Root Cause: Need for a more systemic and collaborative approach to use the at-risk data to identify individuals enrolled in trigger courses, provide needed supplemental instruction, and continue to monitor student progress.

| Outcome Category |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Essential Practices 3: Provide Student-Centered Support Systems |  |  |  |
| Measurable Goal Statement (Smart Goal) |  |  |  |
| By April 2026, 95\% of at-risk students enrolled in trigger courses will be identified as needing support. 80\% of theses students in at least one trigger course will be enrolled in supplemental support. |  |  |  |
| Measurable Goal Nickname (35 Character Max) |  |  |  |
| At-risk report |  |  |  |
| Target Year 1 | Target Year 2 | Target Year 3 |  |
| By April 2024, 80\% of at-risk students enrolled in trigger courses will be identified as needing support. 70\% of theses students in at least one trigger course will be enrolled in supplemental support. | By April 2026, 90\% of at-risk students enrolled in trigger courses will be identified as needing support. $75 \%$ of theses students in at least one trigger course will be enrolled in supplemental support. | By April 2026, 95\% of at-risk students enrolled in trigger courses will be identified as needing support. 80\% of theses students in at least one trigger course will be enrolled in supplemental support. |  |
| Target 1st Quarter | Target 2nd Quarter | Target 3rd Quarter | Target 4th Quarter |
| By the end of Q1, Y1 70\%, Y2 80\%, Y3 90\%, of at-risk students enrolled in trigger courses will be identified as needing support. Y1 $62.5 \%$, Y2 70\%, Y3 $75 \%$ of theses students in at least one trigger course will be enrolled in supplemental support. | By the end of Q2, Y1 75\%, Y2 85\%, Y3 $90 \%$ of at-risk students enrolled in trigger courses will be identified as needing support. Y1 $65 \%$, Y2 $72.5 \%$, Y3 $77.5 \%$ of theses students in at least one trigger course will be enrolled in supplemental support. | By the end of Q3, Y1 80\%, Y2 90\%, Y3 95\% of at-risk students enrolled in trigger courses will be identified as needing support. Y1 $70 \%$, Y2 75\%, Y3 80\%, of theses students in at least one trigger course will be enrolled in supplemental support. | By April 2026, 95\% of at-risk students enrolled in trigger courses will be identified as needing support. 80\% of theses students in at least one trigger course will be enrolled in supplemental support. |

Priority: Primary Root Cause: Need for a more systematic and collaborative approach to use benchmark assessment data to identify individual learning needs, provide needed supplemental instruction, and continuously monitor student progress. Other Notes: How to support first time test takers throughout the year? How to strengthen foundational skills while also adding on algebraic skills.

| Outcome Category |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Mathematics |  |  |  |
| Measurable Goal Statement (Smart Goal) |  |  |  |
| During the May 2026 Keystone administration, Algebra test takers will achieve 35\% proficiency. |  |  |  |
| Measurable Goal Nickname (35 Character Max) |  |  |  |
| Algebra Goal |  |  |  |
| Target Year 1 | Target Year 2 | Target Year 3 |  |
| During the May 2024 Keystone administration, Algebra test takers will achieve 25\% proficiency. | During the May 2025 Keystone administration, Algebra test takers will achieve 30\% proficiency. | During the May 2026 Keystone administration, Algebra test takers will achieve $35 \%$ proficiency. |  |
| Target 1st Quarter | Target 2nd Quarter | Target 3rd Quarter | Target 4th Quarter |
| By September 30, Algebra teachers will have administered a benchmark assessment via Study Island to all students. | By December 31, Algebra teachers will analyze updated diagnostic/benchmark data via Study Island, showing an increase of $5 \%$ from the baseline data. Teachers will meet collaboratively with department chair and/or evaluator to discuss student data, growth, and differentiation strategies. | By March 30, Algebra teachers will analyze updated diagnostic/benchmark data via Study Island, showing an increase of 10\% from the baseline data. Teachers will meet collaboratively with department chair and/or evaluator to discuss student data, growth, and differentiation strategies. | During the May 2026 Keystone administration, first time Algebra test takers will achieve 35\% proficiency. |

## Action Plan

Measurable Goals

| At-risk report | Algebra Goal |
| :--- | :--- |

Action Plan For: State Assessment Measure

## Measurable Goals:

- By April 2026, 95\% of at-risk students enrolled in trigger courses will be identified as needing support. 80\% of theses students in at least one trigger course will be enrolled in supplemental support.

| Action Step | Material/Resources/Supports Needed | Anticipated <br> Start/Completion Date |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Algebra, Biology, and English teachers will sort the at-risk report to identify students involved in trigger courses. | $2024-09-13$ | $2024-10-$ <br> 11 |  |  |
| Lead Person/Position | At-risk spreadsheet created by mid-quarter,. | PD Step? | Com <br> Step? |  |
| Classroom teachers | Material/Resources/Supports Needed | No |  |  |
| Action Step | No |  |  |  |
| Algebra, Biology, and English teachers analyze student data, and meet collaboratively to discuss student groups <br> and best supports based on individual needs. Teachers continue to sort the bi-quarterly at-risk report for any <br> additional students. <br> Start/Completion Date |  |  |  |  |
| Lead Person/Position | 2024-10-18 | 2024-12- <br> 20 |  |  |
| Classroom teachers, department chairs, <br> and administration (as needed) | At-risk report data, common planning time, administrative support <br> (as needed), after-school tutors (teachers). | No | PD Step? | Com <br> Step? |
| Action Step | Yes |  |  |  |
| Algebra, Biology, and English teachers provide supplemental support based on student groupings while <br> continuing to sort the bi-quarterly at-risk report for additional students. | Anticipated <br> Start/Completion Date |  |  |  |
| Lead Person/Position | Material/Resources/Supports Needed | 2025-01-06 | $2025-03-$ <br> 21 |  |
| Classroom teachers, department chairs, | At-risk report data, common planning time, administrative support | No | PD Step? | Com <br> Step? |


| and administration (as needed) | (as needed), after-school tutors (teachers). |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Action Step |  | Anticipated <br> Start/Completion Date |  |
| Algebra, Biology, and English teachers provide supplemental support based on student groupings while <br> continuing to sort the bi-quarterly at-risk report for additional students. Teachers provide final Keystone Exam <br> review. | $2025-03-28$ | $2025-05-$ <br> 09 |  |
| Lead Person/Position | Material/Resources/Supports Needed | PD Step? | Com <br> Step? |
| Classroom teachers, department chairs, <br> and administration (as needed) | At-risk report data, common planning time, administrative support <br> (as needed), after-school tutors (teachers). | No | Yes |


| Anticipated Output | Monitoring/Evaluation (People, Frequency, and Method) |
| :--- | :--- |
| Tiered and differentiated student instruction that supports <br> students who are taking one or more Keystone Exams. | At-risk data meetings in collaboration with department chairs, teachers, <br> and administration to analyze student population |

## Action Plan For: State Assessment Measure

## Measurable Goals:

- During the May 2026 Keystone administration, Algebra test takers will achieve 35\% proficiency.

| Action Step |  | Anticipated Start/Completion Date |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Algebra teachers administer first benchmark assessment. |  | $\begin{array}{\|l\|} \hline 2024-09- \\ 13 \\ \hline \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{\|l} \hline 2024-10- \\ 04 \\ \hline \end{array}$ |
| Lead Person/Position | Material/Resources/Supports Needed | PD Step? | Com Step? |
| Classroom teachers | Study Island accounts, Edia accounts. | No | No |
| Action Step |  | Anticipated Start/Completion Date |  |


| Algebra teachers analyze student data and meet collaboratively to discuss student groupings, student tiers, and differentiation strategies. |  | $\begin{array}{\|l\|} \hline 2024-10- \\ \hline 11 \\ \hline \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{\|l\|} \hline 2024-12- \\ 20 \\ \hline \end{array}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Lead Person/Position | Material/Resources/Supports Needed | PD Step? | Com Step? |
| Classroom teachers, department chair, and administration (as needed) | Study Island and Edia student data, common planning time, and administrative support (as needed). | Yes | No |
| Action Step |  | Anticipated Start/Completion Date |  |
| Algebra teachers provide instruction based on student groupings, student tiers, administer 2nd benchmark assessment, analyze student data, and meet collaboratively to discuss student groups and differentiation strategies. |  | $\begin{array}{\|l} 2025-01- \\ 06 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{\|l} 2025-03- \\ 28 \end{array}$ |
| Lead Person/Position | Material/Resources/Supports Needed | PD Step? | Com Step? |
| Classroom teachers, department chair, and administration (as needed) | Study Island and Edia student data, common planning time, and administrative support (as needed). | Yes | No |
| Action Step |  | Anticipated Start/Completion Date |  |
| Algebra teachers provide instruction based on student groupings and student tiers making adjustments as needed, provide final Keystone Exam review, and once Keystone scores are released, analyze student data and meet collaboratively to discuss student groups and differentiation strategies |  | $\begin{array}{\|l} \hline 2025-04- \\ 04 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{\|l} 2025-07- \\ 18 \end{array}$ |
| Lead Person/Position | Material/Resources/Supports Needed | PD Step? | Com Step? |
| Classroom teachers, department chair, and administration (as needed) | Study Island and Edia student data, common planning time, administrative support (as needed), and Keystone Exam data results. | Yes | No |


| Anticipated Output | Monitoring/Evaluation (People, Frequency, and Method) |
| :--- | :--- |
| Tiered and differentiated student instruction that supports <br> students who are taking the Algebra Keystone Exam. | At-risk data meetings in collaboration with math department chair, math <br> teachers, and administration to analyze student population |

## Expenditure Tables

## School Improvement Set Aside Grant

True School does not receive School Improvement Set Aside Grant.

## Schoolwide Title 1 Funding Allocation

False School does not receive Schoolwide Title 1 funding.

| eGgrant Budget Category (Schoolwide <br> Funding) | Action Plan(s) | Expenditure Description | Amount |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :---: |
| Instruction | • State Assessment <br> Measure | Reading Specialist <br> Salaries | 62203 |  |
| Instruction | • State Assessment <br> Measure <br> State Assessment <br> Measure | Math Teacher Salaries | 62850 |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |
| Total Expenditures |  |  |  |  |

## Professional Development

Professional Development Action Steps

| Evidence-based <br> Strategy | Action Steps |
| :--- | :--- |
| State <br> Assessment <br> Measure | Algebra teachers analyze student data and meet collaboratively to discuss student groupings, student tiers, and <br> differentiation strategies. |
| State <br> Assessment <br> Measure | Algebra teachers provide instruction based on student groupings, student tiers, administer 2nd benchmark <br> assessment, analyze student data, and meet collaboratively to discuss student groups and differentiation strategies. |
| State <br> Assessment <br> Measure | Algebra teachers provide instruction based on student groupings and student tiers making adjustments as needed, <br> provide final Keystone Exam review, and once Keystone scores are released, analyze student data and meet <br> collaboratively to discuss student groups and differentiation strategies |

## Collaborative Planning Time and Data Analysis

## Action Step

- Algebra teachers analyze student data and meet collaboratively to discuss student groupings, student tiers, and differentiation strategies.
- Algebra teachers provide instruction based on student groupings, student tiers, administer 2nd benchmark assessment, analyze student data, and meet collaboratively to discuss student groups and differentiation strategies.
- Algebra teachers provide instruction based on student groupings and student tiers making adjustments as needed, provide final Keystone Exam review, and once Keystone scores are released, analyze student data and meet collaboratively to discuss student groups and differentiation strategies

| Audience |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Classroom teachers |  |  |
| Topics to be Included |  |  |
| Data analysis, student grouping, differentiation strategies, instructional strategies, collaborative planning, etc. |  |  |
| Evidence of Learning |  |  |
| Student data from benchmark assessments, student grades, classroom observations, and classroom walkthroughs |  |  |
| Lead Person/Position | Anticipated Start | Anticipated Completion |
| Department Chair | $2024-09-13$ | 2025-05-23 |


| Type of Activities | Frequency |
| :--- | :--- |
| Collaborative curriculum development | Once per semester |
| Observation and Practice Framework Met in this Plan |  |
| $\bullet$ 1b: Demonstrating Knowledge of Students |  |
| $\bullet$ 3c: Engaging Students in Learning |  |
| $\bullet$ 2b: Establishing a Culture for Learning |  |
| This Step Meets the Requirements of State Required Trainings |  |
| Teaching Diverse Learners in Inclusive Settings |  |

Communications Activities

| At-risk Data |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Action Step | Audience | Topics to be Included | Type of Communication | Anticipated Timeline Start Date | Anticipated <br> Timeline <br> Completion Date |
| - Algebra, Biology, and English teachers analyze student data, and meet collaboratively to discuss student groups and best supports based on individual needs. Teachers continue to sort the bi-quarterly at-risk report for any additional students. <br> - Algebra, Biology, and English teachers provide supplemental support based on student groupings while continuing to sort the bi-quarterly at-risk report for additional students. <br> - Algebra, Biology, and English teachers provide supplemental support based on student groupings while continuing to sort the bi-quarterly at-risk report for additional students. Teachers provide final Keystone Exam review. | Students and families | Trigger course grades, supplemental support offerings, tutoring options | Department Chairs | 09/13/2024 | 05/23/2025 |
| Communications |  |  |  |  |  |
| Type of Communication |  |  | Frequency |  |  |
| Email |  |  | Twice per quarter |  |  |
| Newsletter |  |  | Once per quarter |  |  |

## Uploaded Files

| Chief School Administrator | Date |
| :--- | :--- |
| Christina Marie Lincoln | $2024-07-24$ |
| Building Principal Signature | Date |
|  |  |
| School Improvement Facilitator Signature | Date |
|  |  |

