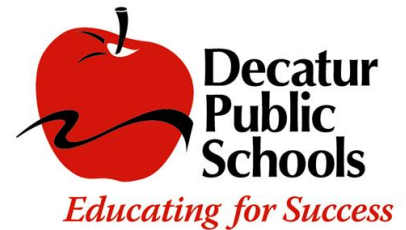


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District #61 Superintendent's Balanced Scorecard Reveals 2018-2019 Strategic Plan Priorities for District

Decatur, IL – During a regularly scheduled Board of Education meeting on Tuesday, August 14, 2018, Dr. Paul Fregeau, Superintendent of Schools, identified five specific goals for the 2018-19 school year that aligns with year one of the District's five-year Strategic Plan.

"In order to achieve the goals for Decatur Public Schools in becoming the 'Destination District' there is a brand-new focus to enhance the whole student experience at District #61," states Dr. Fregeau. "With this new plan, we are establishing excellence as the expectation. Building Administration and the Leadership Team will tie their goals to the vision of this plan. Our families and our community will soon see this new found pride and passion throughout the District."

The following are the five priorities for year one:

- 1) Deploy a district-wide, "whole student" approach that improves academic and social outcomes in the learning environment.
- 2) Establish an environment to ensure the safety of all students.
- 3) Identify and deploy a universal Social and Emotional Learning screening tool district-wide.
- 4) Establish a mandatory Principal Leadership Institute for all current Principals and aspiring Principals.
- 5) Cultivate Community Partnerships at the individual building level.

Additional information about the District's Strategic Plan can be found at www.dps61.org/strategicplan. If you would like to have a District representative present to your community group about the Strategic Plan, you may contact Maria Robertson, Director of Community Engagement directly by phone: 217-362-3017 or by email at mrobertson@dps61.org.

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