Douglass High School

Mission: Together we will develop a culture of excellence that fosters the development of each student's potential to create pathways of success in a competitive 21st Century Society.

Vision: A high-performing environment that serves as a beacon to guide and help scholars engineer their future as innovative civically engaged citizens.



SMART Goals

Increase the % of students scoring proficient or above on the EOC assessments for ELA, MATH, & SCIENCE by 20%.

Increase the weighted suspension rate to 70.0 or higher as measured by the GA School Climate Rating.

Increase the student attendance rate to 70% or higher as measured by CCRPI.

Increase graduation rate by three percentage points or more each year (84% or higher).

APS Strategic Priorities & Initiatives

School Strategic Priorities

Strategic Priorities

Fostering Academic Excellence for All

Data
Curriculum & Instruction
Signature Program

- 1. Improve student mastery in the content areas by implementing best practices that will ensure rigor and student engagement. (#2)
- 2. Increase interventions for reading & math that address individual student needs. (#2)
- 3. Engage students in STEAM programming with fidelity and obtain school-wide STEAM certification. (#5)

School Strategies

- 1A. Increase emphasis on improving best practices through collaboration within Professional Learning Communities (PLCs), school-wide professional development, effective coaching, and ongoing monitoring.
- 1B. Increase the efficacy of Specially Designed Instruction (SDI) strategies implemented in daily instruction based upon the needs and strengths of SWDs
- 2A. Reading & Math Specialist will provide targeted evidence-based interventions within small groups for identified students
- 3A. Ensure time for collaboration and development of STEAM PBLs unit, develop/revise standards-based rubrics for PBLs, and to debrief and analyze student work after the execution of PBL units.

Building a Culture of Student Support

Whole Child & Intervention

4. Align systems, resources and programs to effectively address the individual needs of students. (#3)

- 4A. Engage wrap-around service personnel to assist students & their families with emotional, mental, and psychological support.
- 4B. Utilize data from universal screener to accurately address individual needs of students through specified interventions.
- 4C. Develop & implement comprehensive academic enrichment and programming, including tutoring (peer-to-peer, college students, district funded and community volunteers).

Equipping & Empowering Leaders & Staff

Strategic Staff
Support
Equitable Resource

- 5. Increase teacher efficacy and growth- mindedness amongst all staff. (#4)
- 6. Increase leadership capacity and opportunities for expanding leadership skills. (#6)
- 7. Create an educational and professional environment that will attract and retain the highest quality faculty, staff and administrators. (#3)
- 5A. Provide opportunities for ongoing data meetings, and increased collaboration within established PLCs.
- 5B. Provide multiple opportunities for professional development focused on evidence-based instructional strategies within core & extended core areas.
- 5C. Provide multiple opportunities for professional development focused on STEM and project-based learning
- 6A. Direct training and support for building leadership.
- 6B. Identify and increase teacher leader roles and differentiate development opportunities.

Creating a System of School Support

Collective Action, Engagement & Empowerment

- 8. Develop a positive, informed, and engaged school community. **(#1)**
- 9. Create a safe, nurturing, and caring culture for all students (#1)
- 8A. Establish Family Engagement & Communications Committee in concert with PTSA & FDHS Alumni Association
- 8B. Increase parent awareness and knowledge-base as valued stakeholders through fluid communication. (ie. PTSA, newsletters, website, Remind 101, email distribution, flyers, etc.)
- 9A. School-wide implementation of Positive Behavior Intervention Support developed around SEL principles.