

Newfound Area School District Goals 2025-2026

The Newfound Area School District will improve student learning and outcomes.

Action Plan:

1. Identify and implement more effective research-based behavior intervention strategies such as:
 - a. Offer professional development around classroom management and restorative justice practices.
 - b. Strengthen practices and instruction of accountability, self-management, growth mindset, and decision-making skills.
 - c. Provide additional support for families and caregivers to access community resources and information.
2. Continue to use data in order to set a building-wide goal for academic growth, as measured by relevant assessments, to implement necessary changes including instruction, interventions, and scheduling.
3. Work with elementary teachers to revise our district-wide scope and sequence for K-5 science instruction, including standards-based competencies.
4. Establish professional learning communities that support interdisciplinary, cross-building collaboration to improve specific teaching and learning practices.
5. Establish at least one opportunity or event for students in every school to explore post-secondary pathways.

The Newfound Area School District will strengthen partnerships with our families and community.

Action Plan:

1. Establish a Communication Task Force that identifies highly effective methods to:
 - a. Provide timely and transparent communication to all community stakeholders regarding building and/or district initiatives, topics, issues, concerns, and celebrations.
 - b. Utilize platforms in reaching families and community members including, but not limited to, email, social media, and website.
2. Continue communicating with families and community members about buildings/consolidation.
3. Identify ways to increase volunteer opportunities, including participating in our schools, in district initiatives, and on district committees.
4. Provide additional support for families and caregivers to access community resources and information.

The Newfound Area School District will continue to improve technology systems and processes.

Action Plan:

1. Establish an AI Task Force to:
 - a. Work with the Technology Committee to develop a District AI Plan.
 - b. Work with teachers to develop an AI Resource Guide.
2. Communicate and follow state and federal laws and best practices around technology.
3. Explore options for a new student information system.
4. Continue initiatives around security, safety, and fiscal responsibility with technology.