

Lyon County School District

Fernley High School

2025-2026 Inquiry Areas/SMART Goals/Improvement Strategies



Mission Statement

Belong. Grow. Thrive. Innovation Begins with Your Determination

Vision

To create an inclusive and dynamic learning community where students feel valued and a strong sense of belonging, empowering them through perseverance and purpose to grow confidently, embrace challenges, and achieve academic excellence, preparing them to lead and innovate in an ever-evolving world with a commitment to lifelong learning and positive impact.

Demographics & Performance Information

Nevada Report Card

In compliance with federal and state law, Nevada's K-12 Accountability Portal provides detailed information about each school's student and staff demographics and school performance rating, a star-rating system based on the Nevada School Performance Framework (NSPF). You can find our School Rating Report at

https://nevadareportcard.nv.gov/DI/nv/lyon/fernley_high_school/2024

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Inquiry Areas

Inquiry Area 1: Student Success

SMART Goal 1: In grades 9-10, at least 55% of students in Lyon County School District will meet their individual growth goal in math and reading from the Fall to Spring Measure of Academic Progress (MAP) testing during the 2025/2026 school year.

Formative Measures: MAPS

Aligns with District Goal

Improvement Strategy 1 Details				Reviews										
Improvement Strategy 1: Data Driven instruction, regularly analyzing data to identify student strengths and weaknesses to help teachers tailor instruction to address a student's individual needs. <table><tr><th>Action #</th><th>Actions for Implementation</th><th>Person(s) Responsible</th><th>Timeline</th></tr><tr><td>1</td><td>Student data will be analyzed by the MTSS committee in conjunction with Teacher Leaders who will assist staff with tailoring of instruction.</td><td>MTSS Chair Teacher Leaders Administration</td><td>2025-2026 school year</td></tr></table> <p>Position Responsible: CIP Committee</p> <p>Resources Needed: MAP Assessments ALEKS Study Sync Pearson AGA Time for Data Digs District MTSS meetings College and Career Readiness Interventionists (CCRI) (Tittle I funded)</p> <p>Schoolwide and Targeted Assistance Title I Elements: 2.4, 2.5, 2.6</p> <p>Evidence Level</p> <p>Problem Statements/Critical Root Cause: Student Success 1</p>				Action #	Actions for Implementation	Person(s) Responsible	Timeline	1	Student data will be analyzed by the MTSS committee in conjunction with Teacher Leaders who will assist staff with tailoring of instruction.	MTSS Chair Teacher Leaders Administration	2025-2026 school year	Status Check		EOY Reflection
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SMART Goal 1 Problem Statements:

Student Success

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Inquiry Area 1: Student Success

SMART Goal 2: Lyon County School District will increase the graduation rate from 88.7% to 89.7% by the end of the 2025/2026 school year.

Formative Measures: CCRI Interventions
CCRC Interventions, weekly F reports
Tier 1 Instruction
Tier 2 Interventions

Aligns with District Goal

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SMART Goal 2 Problem Statements:

Connectedness
Problem Statement 1: Chronic absenteeism hinders student learning, especially for students impacted by poverty, mobility, and trauma. Critical Root Cause: Inequitable access to high-quality instruction, curriculum that feels irrelevant, and emotional and mental health challenges.

Inquiry Area 1: Student Success

SMART Goal 3: Lyon County School District will increase the total number of K-12 work-based learning opportunities provided to all students by 10% from the 2024/2025 school year to the 2025/2026 school year.

Formative Measures: Work-Based Learning trend data
Schoollinks
Student-based enterprises
Simulated Work Experience
PAES Lab participation data

Aligns with District Goal

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SMART Goal 3 Problem Statements:

Student Success

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Inquiry Area 1: Student Success

SMART Goal 4: Lyon County School District will increase the total number of students participating in K-12 work-based learning opportunities by 10% from the 2024/2025 school year to the 2025/2026 school year.

Formative Measures: N counts of students participating in WBL opportunities
Schoollinks
Student-based enterprises
Simulated Work Experience
PAES lab participation data

Aligns with District Goal

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SMART Goal 4 Problem Statements:

Student Success
Problem Statement 1: College and career readiness at FHS is declining, with an 18.42% drop in participation rates and a 13.46% decrease in students earning a College and Career Readiness advanced diploma. Critical Root Cause: We have a lack of career discovery earlier in student's high school education. The majority of students are not being assessed on college and career interests until their 11th or 12th grade year.

Inquiry Area 1: Student Success

SMART Goal 5: One hundred percent of Lyon County School District high schools will implement WorkKeys for students by the end of their 10th grade year. LCSD will accomplish this by the end of the 2025/2026 school year. This will serve as a baseline for students earning the bronze, silver, gold and platinum certificates.

Formative Measures: Number of lessons/students participating in WorkKeys
Final numbers of certificate designations
Implementation Data
Weekly check-ins

Aligns with District Goal

Improvement Strategy 1 Details				Reviews										
Improvement Strategy 1: Implementation of ACT's Work Keys Curriculum and the National Career Readiness Certificate (NCRC) Assessment at FHS. <table><tr><th>Action #</th><th>Actions for Implementation</th><th>Person(s) Responsible</th><th>Timeline</th></tr><tr><td>1</td><td>Train staff on the implementation of Work Keys</td><td>Administration Teacher Leaders</td><td>2025/2026 academic year</td></tr></table> <p>Position Responsible: Administration Resources Needed: Work Keys Curriculum NCRC Assessments</p> <p>Schoolwide and Targeted Assistance Title I Elements: 2.4, 2.6 Evidence Level Problem Statements/Critical Root Cause: Student Success 1</p>				Action #	Actions for Implementation	Person(s) Responsible	Timeline	1	Train staff on the implementation of Work Keys	Administration Teacher Leaders	2025/2026 academic year	Status Check		EOY Reflection
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SMART Goal 5 Problem Statements:

Student Success
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Inquiry Area 1: Student Success

SMART Goal 6: The percentage of college bound students in grade eleven (11) who will earn a composite score of 16-36 on the ACT will increase by 5% from the 2024/2025 school year to the 2025/2026 school year.

Formative Measures: ACT data
ACT Prep/practice exam data

Aligns with District Goal

Improvement Strategy 1 Details				Reviews										
Improvement Strategy 1: FHS will focus on rigorous coursework, data driven assessment and goal setting with progress monitoring. <table><tr><th>Action #</th><th>Actions for Implementation</th><th>Person(s) Responsible</th><th>Timeline</th></tr><tr><td>1</td><td>Train staff on strategies that will make coursework relevant to ACT exams.</td><td>Administration Teacher Leaders</td><td>2025/2026 academic year</td></tr></table> <p>Position Responsible: Administration Resources Needed: Time for instruction and data analysis Data Digs ALEKS Study Sync WorkKeys</p> <p>Schoolwide and Targeted Assistance Title I Elements: 2.4, 2.6 Evidence Level Problem Statements/Critical Root Cause: Student Success 1</p>				Action #	Actions for Implementation	Person(s) Responsible	Timeline	1	Train staff on strategies that will make coursework relevant to ACT exams.	Administration Teacher Leaders	2025/2026 academic year	Status Check		EOY Reflection
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SMART Goal 6 Problem Statements:

Student Success
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Inquiry Area 2: Adult Learning Culture

SMART Goal 1: By the end of the 2025-2026 school year, 80% of Fernley High School teachers will consistently integrate at least two new instructional strategies that promote higher-order thinking and student self-direction in their classrooms, as evidenced by rubric-based classroom observations.

Formative Measures: Classroom observations and walk-throughs; staff/department self-reporting on implementation of strategies

Aligns with District Goal

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Improvement Strategy 1: Gradually implement "High-Impact Teaching Strategies" (HITS) through PLCs and professional development. <table><tr><th>Action #</th><th>Actions for Implementation</th><th>Person(s) Responsible</th><th>Timeline</th></tr><tr><td>1</td><td>Train principals for LCSD roll-out of HITS</td><td>District</td><td>Fall 2025</td></tr><tr><td>2</td><td>Train teachers for utilizing HITS in their day-to-day teaching strategies via PLCs and professional development</td><td>Admin/Teacher Leaders</td><td>Spring 2026</td></tr></table> <p>Position Responsible: Administration and Teacher Leaders Resources Needed: District-created materials, website access, a Schoolwide and Targeted Assistance Title I Elements: 2.4, 2.5, 2.6 Evidence Level Level 2: Moderate: This is a district-down initiative that we are adding to our plan. District is still working on official rollout schedule for HITS. Problem Statements/Critical Root Cause: Adult Learning Culture 1</p>				Action #	Actions for Implementation	Person(s) Responsible	Timeline	1	Train principals for LCSD roll-out of HITS	District	Fall 2025	2	Train teachers for utilizing HITS in their day-to-day teaching strategies via PLCs and professional development	Admin/Teacher Leaders	Spring 2026	Status Check		EOY Reflection
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SMART Goal 1 Problem Statements:

Adult Learning Culture
<p>Problem Statement 1: Classroom observations show a relative disparity in the areas of higher-order thinking and student self-direction, as seen by the ELEOT observations.</p> <p>Critical Root Cause: Due to high rates of daily absenteeism, many staff consistently play "catch up" to ensure students are passing and earning credits. Often times when catching a student up from absences, lessons and projects cannot be carried out with fidelity and these students miss out on opportunities to develop higher-order thinking and self-direction skills.</p>

Inquiry Area 3: Connectedness

SMART Goal 1: Lyon County School District will reduce the chronic absenteeism rate by 10% from the 2025/2026 school year.

Formative Measures: Attendance data (Infinite Campus)
PBIS Data (Title I Funded)

Aligns with District Goal

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Improvement Strategy 1: Implement a comprehensive, multi-tiered attendance support system specifically designed to address the root causes of chronic absenteeism. <table><tr><th>Action #</th><th>Actions for Implementation</th><th>Person(s) Responsible</th><th>Timeline</th></tr><tr><td>1</td><td>Systematically track and analyze daily attendance data, flagging students approaching or meeting chronic absenteeism thresholds (e.g., 5% and 10% missed days).</td><td>Attendance Secretary</td><td>Academic year 2025-2026</td></tr><tr><td>2</td><td>Launch a school-wide campaign promoting the importance of attendance and fostering a consistently welcoming, safe, and engaging school environment.</td><td>CIP Team</td><td>Quarterly</td></tr><tr><td>3</td><td>Develop and deliver individualized support plans for students identified as chronically absent, connecting them with necessary academic, socio-emotional, and basic needs resources.</td><td>CCRI, MTSS</td><td>Academic year 2025-2026</td></tr></table> <p>Position Responsible: Attendance Secretary, CIP Team, CCRI, MTSS, Administration</p> <p>Resources Needed: CCRIs, SROs, Attendance Data, Title I funding for PBIS Program</p> <p>Schoolwide and Targeted Assistance Title I Elements: 2.4, 2.5, 2.6, 4.1, 4.2</p> <p>Evidence Level Level 1: Strong: Academic Supports and Interventions</p> <p>Problem Statements/Critical Root Cause: Connectedness 1</p>				Action #	Actions for Implementation	Person(s) Responsible	Timeline	1	Systematically track and analyze daily attendance data, flagging students approaching or meeting chronic absenteeism thresholds (e.g., 5% and 10% missed days).	Attendance Secretary	Academic year 2025-2026	2	Launch a school-wide campaign promoting the importance of attendance and fostering a consistently welcoming, safe, and engaging school environment.	CIP Team	Quarterly	3	Develop and deliver individualized support plans for students identified as chronically absent, connecting them with necessary academic, socio-emotional, and basic needs resources.	CCRI, MTSS	Academic year 2025-2026	Status Check		EOY Reflection
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