Pleasantdale School District 107

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Over the course of the last year, District 107 has taken on a model of continuous improvement and has actively sought out ways to improve the student experience. As we enter into the 2016-17 school year, this model will continue as we take on the Future Planning process. This process will engage teachers, parents, community members, and students in the creation of a strategic plan that will move Pleasantdale from great to greater.

The purpose of the Future Planning process is to connect with stakeholders and craft a vision of what a Pleasantdale education should look like. This stakeholder driven process will result in goal areas based on participant feedback. The administration and staff will then use this data to write actionable goals that include deliverable products and measurements. This work is based on what the community believes is best for our students and families.

The Future Planning process will be structured into a committee format and will allow for all participants to have a voice in the process. In mid-September, registration forms will be sent electronically to parents, teachers, and community members. This process will allow any Pleasantdale community member to participate in the

Future Planning process. Additionally, the district will solicit participation from members of our student council. It is our hope that this process will lead to a variety of perspectives and voices at the table. To assist in the process, the district will be working with a consultant. Theresa Dunkin, was selected by a committee of teachers and administrators. Dr. Dunkin has served as the



superintendent of Aptakisic-Tripp School District 102 in Long Grove, IL and has facilitated several Future Planning processes. The Future Planning Committee will then have three mandatory planning meetings in October, November, and December and an optional celebratory meeting in March. The administration will present the final plan to the Board of Education at the January meeting and will seek approval of the plan at the March Board of Education meeting.

The end result of this work will be a plan that "gathers no dust" as it will be reviewed by administration and the Board on a regular basis. Additionally, there will be flexibility within the plan which will give the district the ability to adjust priorities based on what is best for students. This plan will allow us to create a profile of a Pleasantdale 8th grader which will help focus the work of the committee and of the administration as they implement the community's plan. The

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Future Planning process will result in a district road map that will drive our district in the right direction.

Main takeaways:

- The district will take on the process to create a strategic plan which has been branded the Future Planning process.
- A committee made up of teachers, parents, community members, and students will meet over the course of the year to create the plan.
- The Board will review the plan in January with a vote for final approval coming in February.