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Blueprint Goal 1: Preparing FCS Students for College, Career and Life Beyond the Classroom

The Career Development Continuum Committee has met 10 times throughout the school year to develop the Career Development Continuum. This framework was reviewed by a group of stakeholders and feedback was collected for revisions to be made. The continuum has been revised and shared with the initial stakeholder group. The committee responded to various questions that were asked by stakeholders and provided written clarification about the Career Development Continuum. Their next meeting is scheduled for June 15 where they will begin developing a plan for creating the final document as well as determine how to communicate with parents, staff, and all stakeholders about the implementation of the activities within the Career Development Continuum. Implementation will begin in August.

Blueprint Goal 2: Achieving Student Success in Academic Areas

FCS 2023 summer learning camps and activities officially kickoff on June 19th. Summer learning 2023 activities beginning the 19th include our K-5 Literacy and Math camp, EL Newcomers camp, and High School Credit Recovery labs. In July, our Middle School Reading and Math camp, Career Accelerator: District C Teamship, as well as CTE Career Camps are scheduled to begin.

In all, we are excited for another comprehensive summer of activities, direct student support, and enrichment opportunities for the students of FCS. By the end of summer, we hope to engage with hundreds of students, addressing many areas of student needs and interests. We would like to specifically thank the staff and faculty of our Franklin County Schools for their willingness to serve and make all these opportunities possible!

Blueprint Goal 3: Creating a Safe, Orderly and Caring Environment for Students

Franklin County Schools has partnered with the Franklin County Health Department to provide two vaping prevention and cessation programs for our students. The "Catch My Breath" program will be offered in 6th and 8th grade to deter students from starting this unhealthy habit. "In Depth" will be provided to 9th grade students to continue the message of "Don't start" and expand to cessation techniques to encourage students to quit if they have started. Both courses will teach students the dangers of E-Cigarettes. The courses will be offered through the Health and PE classes and will be taught by Health Educators. We are hopeful that this partnership will help with the health of our students and the reduction of exclusionary consequences for violating the code of conduct.

Blueprint Goal 4: Recruiting, Supporting, and Retaining High Quality Staff

On Wednesday, May 31st, we held our 2023 Beginning Teacher (BT) Graduation. This year, twenty-two (22) teachers completed the requirements of our beginning teacher support program. These teachers have completed three years of induction, including working with a mentor teacher and a master teacher.



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Non-traditionally trained teachers have also received support from a NC New Teacher Support Coach. In addition, teachers have completed professional development at both the school and district level designed to help them continue to improve in their professional practice. Providing a comprehensive induction program for our beginning teachers is part of our effort to decrease teacher turnover by providing targeted support and professional development.

On Friday, June 9th, we celebrated the accomplishments of outstanding staff during the 2023 Frankies. During this celebration, we honored our Beginning Teacher of the Year, NCCAT CTE Teacher of the Year, Assistant Principal of the Year, Principal of the Year, retirees, Auxiliary Services Award Recipient, Outstanding Math Teacher of the Year, Volunteer of the Year, SRO of the Year, Classified Employee of the Year, Teacher of the Year, and Superintendent's Award Recipient. Acknowledging and showcasing dynamic employees within our district is part of our effort to highlight the dedication of key employees and express our sincere appreciation for all they do to support our students and schools.