# Sgt. William H. Carney Academy Plan Overview 2019-2022 9/9/2019

#### Mission

The mission at Sgt. William H. Carney Academy exists to serve the unique academic, physical, social and emotional needs of students who are in a special and critical period of their lives. Sgt. William H. Carney is committed to creating and maintaining a trusting and caring environment where teaching and learning is rigorous and students are assisted as they develop responsibility. All aspects of the school's organization, curricular and co-curricular activities are child centered and designed to accommodate individual learning styles so that all may experience success.

#### Vision

Every student is achieving at their maximum potential in an engaging, inspiring and challenging learning environment. We motivate and prepare our students by instilling in them critical thinking skills, and a respect for core values of honesty, perseverance, loyalty, honesty and compassion. Students will have success for today and be prepared for tomorrow.

#### Core Values

All learners believe in their power to embrace learning, to excel, and to own their future. Staff, parents, and community are dedicated to the social, personal, and physical growth of all students. We believe if we provide our students with rigorous learning opportunities that they will be ready for college and careers, and succeed in a safe and caring environment.

#### Theory of Action

If we incorporate instructional strategies to strengthen teaching and learning, along with educating the whole child based on their academic and social emotional needs, then all students will achieve at higher academic levels.

Strategic Objectives							
1. High Quality Instruction Increase student achievement by strengthening teaching and learning.	2. Effective Student Support Systems Create an inclusive, culturally responsive learning environment.	<ol> <li>Strong Family/ Community Relationships: Empower families and the community through collaboration.</li> </ol>	4. Organizational Team Excellence: Cultivate and recruit a highly skilled workforce.	5. Enhance Positive Public Profile: Implement effective strategies to raise the profile and reputation of Carney Academy.			
Strategic Initiatives							

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1.1 Promote strategies in the	2.1 Support educational equity	3.1 Build and sustain two-way	4.1 Create and implement the	5.1. Create and implement a
district Educational Equity Plan	practices that align with the	communication using multiple	district Educational Equity Plan to	strategic communications plan
that provide tiered supports	district Educational Equity Plan	modalities for authentic	attract a representative	that outlines specific steps to
for all learners	strategies.	engagement.	workforce.	inform and engage internal and external audiences.
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professional development to	differentiated professional	points and opportunities for	supportive professional	
all staff that includes	development to all staff that	collaboration, and partnerships	development to build capacity of	
strengthening content,	focuses on mindsets conducive	that engage, educate and	the district's staff.	
pedagogy, and the use of	to educating the whole child.	empower families.		
instructional technology.	2.3 Build authentic		4.2 Ensure that new advectors	
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strategies and an aligned	relationships to ensure		receive mentoring and support	
curriculum that promotes high expectations and engagement	students feel valued.		systems throughout the year.	
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	effectively meet the needs of			
	all learners.			
	all learners.			
		Outcomes		
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MCAS ELA				
MCAS MATH				
STAR ELA				
STAR Math				

Note: This Plan Overview template depicts a plan with four strategic objectives. Delete or add a column, as necessary, to accommodate a plan with three or five strategic objectives.

[Sgt. William H. Carney Academy] Action Plan Template, 2019-2022

(While the Plan Overview is a 3-year outlook, this Action Plan is specifically a 1-year outlook for this SY.)

Strategic Objective/Initiative: Standard 1: High Quality Instruction

GOAL 1. High Quality Instruction: Increase student achievement by strengthening teaching and learning.

**Strategic Initiative 1.1:** Promote strategies in the district Educational Equity Plan that provide tiered supports for all learners.

#### **Monitoring Progress**

Process Benchmark	Person	Date	Status
What will be done, when, and by whom?	Responsible		
Incorporate Best Practices from Tiered Literacy Academy and identify Mass standards with Into Reading curriculum	Tiered	Sept 2019-	
as well as build capacity of teachers to deliver tiered instruction support to students. Incorporate UDL into	Literacy	6/2022	
instruction.	Team		
Become familiar with district developed monitoring tool to measure implementation of Educational Equity practices	Carney Staff	Sept 2019	
during Learning Walks.		(weekly)	
		June 2022	
Implement Research Based Curriculum of Fundations Phonics Program for Grades K-3. Grades K-3 will develop a	K-3 staff	Sept 2019	
daily block of phonics of 30-45 minutes.		Daily	
		June 2022	
Incorporate a daily 30-minute RTI block for ELA standards.	Carney Staff	Oct 2019	
		June 2022	
Differentiated Writing Tool Folders (student writing folder that includes resources to support based on the lesson-	Carney staff	Sept 2019-	
example-transitional words, sentence starters, dialogue).		Ongoing	
Use student data (MCAS, STAR, Fluency, CFAs, exit tickets, formative/summative assessments, individual	Carney Staff	Sept –	
conferences) to determine differentiated instructional focus based on standards.		June 2022	

Early Evidence of Change Benchmark	Person	Date	Status
What changes in practice, attitude, or behavior will you see if the initiative is having its desired impact?	Responsible		
100% of teachers will utilize MTSS and UDL and guides to determine standards taught for the month (evidence in lesson plans, District CFA and observations). Review data platforms (Lexia) to determine standards mastered based on maps.	Teachers Admin Team	Ongoing	
Based on Early Literacy, and Lexia the percentage of students in grades K-1 that scored not meeting, will decrease by 20% for MOY and a total of 40% by EOY.	K-1 teachers Principal/ Assistant Principal TLS	BOY, MOY, EOY	
100% of teachers will have anchor charts posted based on the standard and refer to throughout the lesson. Students overall writing will show examples of focused correction areas in their writing. Students overall writing CFA will increase by 1 level of topic development and conventions.	Admin Learning Walk Classroom Teachers	Sept. & Ongoing	
Monthly Writing CFA data in grades (1-5) will have at least a 30% increase in the # of students scoring a 3 or 4 from Pre to post writing CFA. Writing using the WOW (BOY, MOY, EOY) rubric in grades Pre, and K. Students will increase by one level in their WOW rubric writing prompt.	K-5 teachers Preschool/ ASD/ Sub-Sep Classrooms	Monthly Sept-June	
100% of teachers will demonstrate an increase in the use of the Instructional Guide as measured through Learning Walks focused on Student Engagement, Positive Climate, Analysis and Inquiry and Instructional Dialogue.	Staff Admin Team TLS	Sept-June 2021	

# GOAL 1. High Quality Instruction: Increase student achievement by strengthening teaching and learning.

**Strategic Initiative 1.2:** Provide differentiated professional development to all staff that includes strengthening content, pedagogy, and the use of instructional technology to build staff capacity.

Process Benchmark	Person	Date	Status
What will be done, when, and by whom?	Responsible		
Continue to develop best practices from Tiered Literacy Academy to build capacity of teachers.	Staff	Sept 2019-	
Continue participation in Tiered Literacy Academy to build capacity of teachers.	Principal	June 2021	
Survey teachers to determine areas of need related to incorporation of instructional technology. Survey	Staff	Sept 2019-	
teachers to determine areas of need related to use of instructional technology during hybrid learning.	Principal	June 2021	
Provide teachers throughout the year will additional Heggerty and Fundations Professional Development.	Staff	October	
	Principal	2020-June	
		2021	
Provide PD on ELA Into Reading and Standards Based Lesson Planning/Delivery	Staff	November	
Provide PD on adjusting ELA 15 day cycle during ELA instruction.	Principal	2019-2021	

Process Benchmark	Person	Date	Status	
What will be done, when, and by whom?	Responsible			
100% of classroom teachers will demonstrate 20% increase (if not already at/above 80%) on indicated the policy during Learning Walks and Formal Observations.	tors related to	Staff Principal	August 2020-June	
			2021	
Post PD surveys will provide feedback to drive future PD needs (SMART PD evaluations)		Staff	August	
		Principal	2020-June	
			2021	
Grade 1 and Grade 2 classroom teachers will demonstrate an increase in indicators related to LETRS PD during		Staff	October	
Learning Walks and Formal Observations. Teachers who have participated in LETRS training will demonstrate an		Principal	2020- June	
increase in indicators related to LETRS PD during Learning Walks and Formal Observations.			2021	
Daily Heggerty, Fundations and Kids Lips scripted lessons with less than 20% of teacher off the scr	ipt.	Staff	October	
		Principal	2020- June	
			2021	

#### GOAL 1. High Quality Instruction: Increase student achievement by strengthening teaching and learning.

Strategic Initiative 1.3 Implement instructional strategies and an aligned curriculum that promotes high expectations and engagement in all classrooms.

#### **Monitoring Progress**

Process Benchmark	Person	Date	Status
What will be done, when, and by whom?	Responsible		
Teachers will use Lexia data to improve overall students' growth in ELA standards by incorporating the lessons on	Staff	November	
Lexia CORE 5 Resources HUB.	TLS/CIL	2020-June	
	Principal	2021	

#### **Measuring Impact**

Process Benchmark  What will be done, when, and by whom?	Person Responsible	Date	Status	
100% of students will show growth in their Lexia pathway in ELA.		Staff Students	November 2020-June 2021	

Strategic Objective/Initiative: Standard 2: Effective Student Support Systems

GOAL 2: Effective Student Support Systems: Create an inclusive, culturally responsive learning environment.

Strategic Initiative 2.1 Support educational equity practices that align with the district Educational Equity Plan strategic.

## **Monitoring Progress**

Process Benchmark	Person	Date	Status
What will be done, when, and by whom?	Responsible		
Become familiar with district developed monitoring tool to measure implementation of Educational Equity	Principal	October	
practices that creates an inclusive, culturally responsive learning environment.			

#### **Measuring Impact**

Process Benchmark	Person	Date	Status
What will be done, when, and by whom?	Responsible		
Use district monitoring tool to determine the baseline of the implementation of equity practices.			
100% of classroom teachers will demonstrate at least a 20% (if not at 80%) increase from the baseline of the	ADMIN TEAM	June 2020-	
implementation of equity practices.		2021	

GOAL 2: Effective Student Support Systems: Create an inclusive, culturally responsive learning environment.

Strategic Initiative 2.2 Provide differentiated professional development to all staff that focuses on mindsets conducive to educating the whole child to build staff capacity.

Process Benchmark	Person	Date	Status
What will be done, when, and by whom?	Responsible		
Attend Trauma Sensitive Training to develop strategies to support Tier 2 and Tier 3. Staff will receive 2	PRE-K-5	Sept. 2019	
Professional Trauma Sensitive Trainings throughout the year. 15% of teachers and staff will enroll in the	Teachers,	ongoing	
Trauma Sensitive Class at Lesley College.	Support Staff,		
	SAC		
Provide professional development based on the new BBST progress that focuses on educating the whole	Admin & Carney	October	
child using the instructional guide and DCAP. Monthly meetings to discuss students will be held and 10%	Staff	2019	
of students will have a BBST completed.			
Recruit teachers based on expertise to provide professional development to staff. 20% of Carney Staff	Carney Staff	Sept.2019	
will provide professional development to staff.			

Process Benchmark	Person	Date	Status
What will be done, when, and by whom?	Responsible		
100% of Teachers will incorporate Trauma Sensitive into their instruction. It will be measured by lesson	Teachers	October 2020-	
plans, student work samples and rest stop area visits.	SAC	June 2021	
Inventory of PD opportunities posted on SMART PD.	Principal	August- June	
BBST Meetings to discuss students at risk.	ADMIN Team	December -	
	BBST Team	June	

GOAL 2: Effective Student Support Systems: Create an inclusive, culturally responsive learning environment.

Strategic Initiative 2.3 Build authentic relationships and a learning environment that ensures students feel valued.

Process Benchmark	Person Responsible	Date	Status
What will be done, when, and by whom?	p		
Place and refer students for Big Brother Big Sister programs and	SAC, teachers	October-	BBBS, CCBS is still communicating with
counseling based (CCBC) on SWIS & classroom data. 15 students will be		June 2021	families on ZOOM links and home
provided with a mentor from BBBS. CCBC will provide 25 students with individualized counseling services.			visits.
Become familiar with NBPS District Look-For Rubric and Monitoring Tool	ADMIN TEAM	August-June	
related to Positive Climate.	CIA TEAM	2021	
	PBIS TEAM		
Review PBIS protocols/initiatives and systems for running the school	PBIS team	Sept 2019	Virtual School Store (purchase on line)
store. Recruit volunteers and train students to run school store. 100% of classrooms will be able to visit the school store monthly.			using an order sheet.

Early Evidence of Change Benchmark	Person	Date	Status
What changes in practice, attitude, or behavior will you see if the initiative is having its desired impact?	Responsible		
Decrease in major office referrals by 10% and minor office referrals by 20% from school year 2018-2019 to 2019-2020.	Carney staff	9/6/2019 6/16/2021	
Positive Climate Check list during learning walks, classroom visits, announced observations.	Admin TLS Staff	8/2019 6/2020	

80% of students are purchasing items in the virtual school store on a weekly rotation basis based on the	PBIS team	9/2019-	
classroom token initiative.		2021	
Hold monthly team meetings to discuss students (BBST, SEI). 25% of tier 2 and 3 students will receive additional support and review SWISS behavioral data for a decline in behaviors.	Staff	9/2019- ongoing	

## Strategic Objective/Initiative: <u>Standard 3 Strong Family/Community Relationships</u>

**GOAL 3:** Strong family and community relationships: Empower families and the community through collaboration

**Strategic Initiative 3.1** Build and sustain two-way communication using multiple modalities for authentic engagement.

Process Benchmark	Person	Date	Status
What will be done, when, and by whom?	Responsible		
Wrap Around Coordinator hired to support our families (emotional literacy, emotion regulation, emotion	TBD	10/2019	
expression, and home visits) 3% -5% of families will be targeted to receive support from the wrap around coordinator.	SACS	12/2021	
Recruit staff for Family Engagement Team and send Team to district Family Engagement PD and	TLS	10/2019	
meetings.	SAC	6/2021	
	Principal/		
	Assistant		
	Principal		

Community	10/2019	
Partners	6/2021	
SACS		
Teachers		
SAC	Dec 2019-	
Wrap	June 2021	
Coordinator		
	Partners SACS Teachers SAC Wrap	Partners 6/2021 SACS Teachers SAC Dec 2019- Wrap June 2021

Early Evidence of Change Benchmark	Person	Date	Status
What changes in practice, attitude, or behavior will you see if the initiative is having its desired impact?	Responsible		
Wrap Around Manager, SACS will assist with informing families of the resources that are available to support	Admin Team	10/2019	
the need of our families ex. (individualized counseling, mentoring housing, medical, food stamp, transportation	Wrap Around	8/2021	
services for students and their families), in place to ensure that all families are effectively reached and	Manager		
supported by the school and community. Percentage of families receiving supports increased by 50% from 2019-2021.	SACS		
Increase of family events virtually or when applicable face to face events. The percentage of parent	PBIS Team	11/2020-	
involvement in each event will increase by 10% each month.		6/2021	
Increase the community partnerships with CCBC and BBBS each year by 10% with the number of families they	SAC	10/2019-	
are supporting.		6/2021	
Survey to be conducted per trimester in the best ways to reach out to families. (ex. School Messenger, Carney	SAC	9/2020-	
Facebook, phone calls, Class DOJO)		6/2021	

**Strategic Initiative 3.2** Implement multiple access points and opportunities for collaboration, and partnerships that engage, educate and empower families.

## **Monitoring Progress**

Process Benchmark	Person Responsible	Date	Status
What will be done, when, and by whom?			
Create building expectations for implementing parent-teacher conferences in order to cultivate	ADMIN TEAM, TLS,	Nov 2020-	
two-way communication and authentic relationships.	SAC, Classroom	June 2021	
	Teacher, Wrap		
	Coordinator		
Principal and SAC will identify supports currently available to Carney Families and assess their	ADMIN Team and	Nov 2020-	
effectiveness.	SAC, Wrap	June 2021	
	Coordinator		

Process Benchmark  What will be done, when, and by whom?	Person Responsible	Date	Status
Staff will incorporate family engagement strategies into their outreach to families.	Principal, Classroom Teachers	Sept-June 2020-2021	
100% of classroom teachers will conference with at least 80% of their families during parent/teacher conferences.	Principal, Classroom Teachers	Dec 2020- 2021	

Strategic Objective/Initiative: 4.1 Organizational Team Excellence Cultivate and recruit a highly skilled workforce.

## **Monitoring Progress**

Process Benchmark  What will be done, when, and by whom?	Person Responsible	Date	Status
Interview/ Recruit quality candidates that reflect our student population.	Staff	6/2019- 8/20201	

# **Measuring Impact**

Process Benchmark	Person	Date	Status
What will be done, when, and by whom?	Responsible		
Carney Staff Subgroup DESE	Principal	June 2020- June 2021	

**Strategic Initiative 4.2.** Provide targeted professional development to build capacity of the district's staff.

What will be done, when, and by whom?	Person Responsible	Date	Status
Provide additional PD on the impact of Trauma on Learning (from Trauma course III).	Principal Lesly College	Nov 2020-July 2021	
Provide PD on next steps in PBIS. (Tier 3)	PBIS TEAM	Sept 2020- 2021	We are part of the tier 2 academy this year.

Process Benchmark	Responsible	Date	Status
What will be done, when, and by whom?	Person		
Evidence of trauma sensitive practices and PBIS initiatives will be seen during learning walks and formal	ADMIN TEAM	Nov 2020-	
observations.		June 2021	
PBIS initiatives in the classroom. Checklist of students participation in the incentive program.	Classroom	Nov 2020-	
	Teachers	June 2021	
	PBIS Team		

**Strategic Initiative 4.3** Ensure that new educators receive mentoring and support systems throughout the year.

## **Monitoring Progress**

Process Benchmark	Person	Date	Status
What will be done, when, and by whom?	Responsible		
All new staff members will receive support from the district in the mentor program based on DESE	NBPS	August 2020-	
guidelines.	Sandy Ford	June 2021	
	Sara Mello		

#### **Measuring Impact**

Process Benchmark	Person	Date	Status
What will be done, when, and by whom?	Responsible		
Improvement of classroom management, lesson plans and dates of meetings and trainings.	ADMIN NPBS	August 2020- June 2021	

**Strategic Objective/Initiative:** Enhance Positive Public Profile 5.1. Create and implement a strategic communications plan that outlines specific steps to inform and engage internal and external audiences.

Process Benchmark	Person	Date	Status
What will be done, when, and by whom?	Responsible		

Utilize a variety of media to maximize awareness and support of Ashley School's goals, objectives and programs after surveying stakeholders to determine preferences.	Principal	Oct 1	
Review current format for monthly family newsletter in order to maximize awareness of Carney goals, objectives and programs.	Principal	Oct 1	
Review of Carney tab on NBPS website in order to keep information about goals, objectives, events and programs current.	Principal Webmaster	August 2020- June 2021	

Early Evidence of Change Benchmark	Person	Date	Status
What changes in practice, attitude, or behavior will you see if the initiative is having its desired impact?	Responsible		
Based on results of stakeholder survey, preferred media sites will be created (e.g. PTO Facebook,	Principal, TLS	Oct 1	
Instagram, Carney Web-site)			
Based upon review of newsletter, revamp format to maximize awareness of Carney goals, objectives and	Principal, Grade	Oct 1	
programs (e.g. Grade level news, Resources for parents)	Level Teachers		
Monthly review and updates of Carney NBPS webpage	TLS, Principal	Oct-June	
	Wrap	2021	
	Coordinator		

Note: This Action Plan template depicts an example for one strategic initiative. For each strategic initiative, develop one set of aligned benchmarks – for both Process and Early Evidence of Change.

## **NBPS Guidance on Developing School Improvement Plans**

Adopted, in part, from MA DESE's Planning for Success: http://www.doe.mass.edu/research/success/

What Are Mission, Vision and Core Values? The mission is the school's purpose and explains why the organization exists. The mission focuses on today and what the school does on an everyday basis. The vision is the school's aspirations for students and explains what the community values and why, and what future success looks like. Core values are the principles that guide the decision making and action that will help achieve the vision; they reflect what the school community believes in.

What is a Theory of Action? The theory of action is a strategic if-then statement about a high-leverage area of practice that is targeted for improvement. The theory of action connects a school-wide problem of practice (something within the school's control) with an aligned strategy/solution. The theory of action creates a logical chain connecting an area of growth to a proposed solution and its intended outcome. Example: if we incorporate instructional strategies across all content areas that promote student analysis and inquiry, then all students will achieve at higher academic levels.

What Are Strategic Objectives and Initiatives? <u>Strategic objectives</u> are the coherent group of overarching goals and key levers for improvement that will achieve the future vision. Strategic objectives articulate not only the "what" of the plan but also the "why." <u>Strategic initiatives</u> are the projects and programs that support and will achieve the strategic objectives. Strategic initiatives are the "how."

What Are Outcomes? Outcomes are the plan's expected results: what they will be, how they will be measured, and when they will occur. Outcomes are the SMART goals for the school: specific and strategic; measurable; ambitious and action-oriented; rigorous, realistic, results-focused; timed and tracked. Outcomes measure the school's success in achieving its vision and include specific targets for the improvement expected as a result of multi-year plan implementation.

What are Process Benchmarks? These implementation benchmarks monitor progress and specify what will happen, who will do it, and when. Example: Each grade-level team of teachers will adopt and implement five ELA standards-based common formative assessments by June 2020.

What are Early Evidence of Change Benchmarks? These implementation benchmarks monitor impact and identify changes you should begin to see if the plan is having its desired impact while being implemented. Early evidence benchmarks are indicators of effective implementation rather than measurements of interim results. Early evidence benchmarks might include changes in practice or attitude from sources such as classroom observation or surveys. Example: An increase in student use of oral language will be observed in 100% of ESL teachers' classrooms between October and January.

What is the status column for? This column will likely be blank at the beginning of the year. School leadership teams should add notes within this column throughout the year, tracking key information and the status of each benchmark.