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La Escuela Fratney School Expansion Proposal

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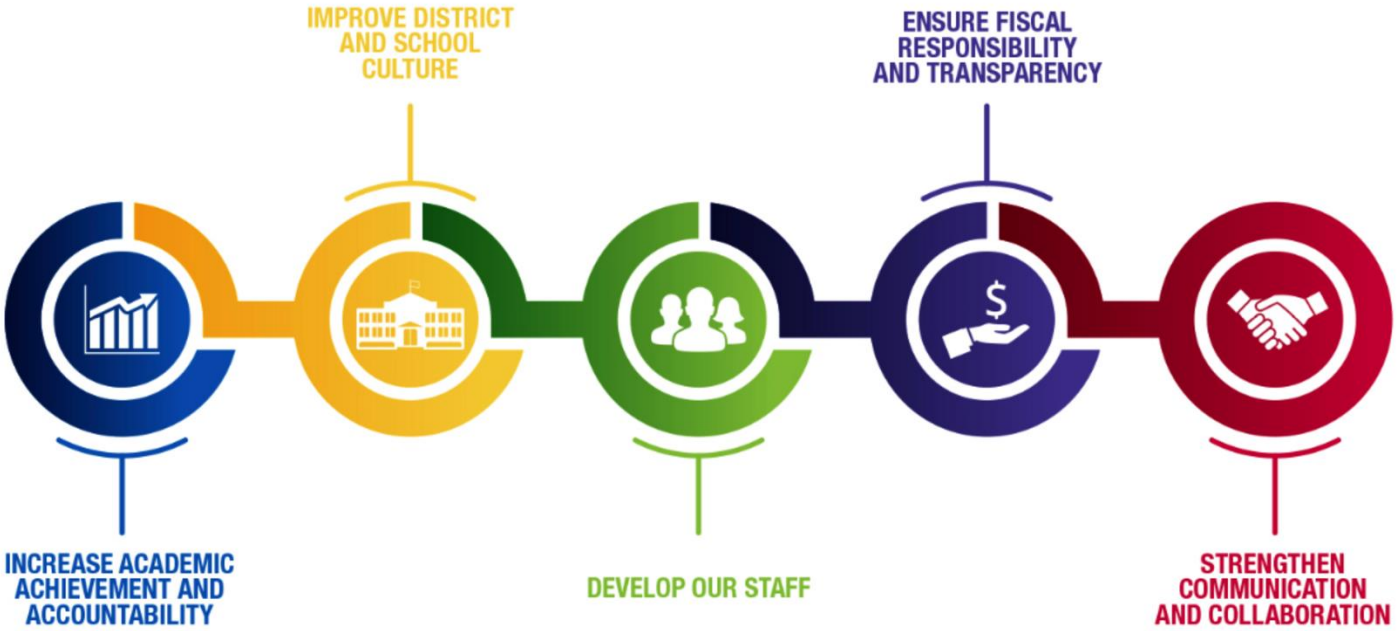
Five Priorities for Success



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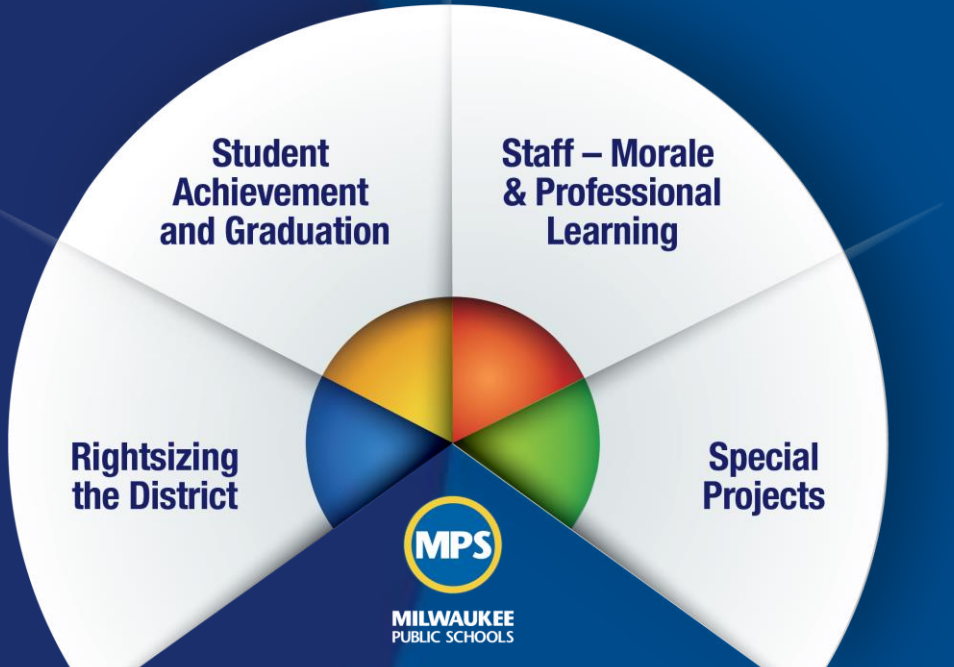
Strategic Plan Driving Our Mission



Strategic Plan Driving Our Mission:

MPS is a diverse district that welcomes all students and prepares them for success in higher education, post-education opportunities, work, and citizenship.

La Escuela Fratney's Specialty Program

La Escuela Fratney's unique two-way dual language program and social justice curriculum includes:

- anti-racist
- multicultural education
- restorative practices
- school-wide themes
- integrated bilingual thematic units

*La Escuela Fratney's proposed expansion would join Hayes City-Wide Bilingual School and Kagel School as a K-8 two-way dual language program

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La Escuela Fratney's Demographics

Our diverse learners are truth tellers and change makers through culturally sustaining dual language education

519 Current Enrollment

- 74.1% Hispanic
- 40.4% English Language Learners (ELL)
- 13.5% African American
- 10.8% Students with Disabilities
- 9.3% White
- 3.1% Multi-Race

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La Escuela Fratney's Journey

- Spring 2023 – Family Meetings: Shared Interest in adding middle grades
- Fall 2023 – Initial Survey to families and staff
- Late Fall 2023 – School-based expansion committee formed
- Fall 2024 – Community Listening Sessions (11) In-person/virtual
- Fall 2024 – Family/Community/Staff Survey
- October 2024 – School Engagement Council (SEC) meeting approved expansion
- January 2025 – Request approval for FY26 expansion

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Fall 2024 District Survey

- Our total number of family responses: 180
- Our Response rate: 36.1%
- 180 responses/499 total students
  - 69.4% of parents/guardians of 5th graders expressed interest in continuing to enroll their students
  - 82% of our families favored the expansion
  - 51.8% of our current 5th grade students favored the expansion
  - 67.8% of our current staff favored the expansion
  - 92% of our staff indicated that they would return to our school if expansion was approved
  - 62% of our community/neighborhood favored the expansion

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