

Equity Plan Progress Report

Fairfield City Schools
September 6, 2012





Our mission...

Teaching our children, and ourselves to live, learn and work together in a vibrant and diverse world.

Our beliefs...

- A strength of the FCSD is our expanding culturally diverse population
 - That all children can learn and achieve to their full potential







Laurence Jones, chairman of the Equity Leadership Team, is a parent and member of the Superintendent's Community Council. He is a former FIS Community Diversity Alliance member, is a partner with Brixey & Meyers CPAs, and co-founder of Legacy Investment Funds.

Equity Leadership Team (ELT)





2011-2012

American Indian 0.2%

Asian 2.0%

Black 14.7%

White 71.6%

Hispanic 6.4%

Multiracial 5.1%

*Hawaiian/Pac. Is. 0%

*Head count of 2



How diverse are we?





☐ Laurence Jones, Chairman

☐ Dawn Mann, FHS Teacher

- ☐ Paul Otten, Superintendent
- ☐ Tracy Ashford, FHS Guidance Counselor

☐ Katrina Key Baker, Parent

□ Roger Martin, Assistant
Superintendent for Academics

☐ Ebony Talbert, Parent

- ☐ Gina Gentry-Fletcher, School & Community Relations Director
- ☐ Keiondre Goodwin, FHS Student
- ☐ Lani Wildow, Curriculum Director
- ☐ Indya Slaughter, FHS Student
- Denise Hayes, FIS Assistant Principal

☐ Mike Jones, FHS Teacher

ELT Members





Goals/Pillars

- 1. Recruit, hire and retain teachers, administrators and staff of color
- 2. Increase cultural competency of all teachers, administrators and staff of color
- 3. Increase community engagement and parental involvement.
- 4. Student engagement with diversity change process





Pillar/Goal #1. Recruit, hire and retain teachers, administrators and staff of color



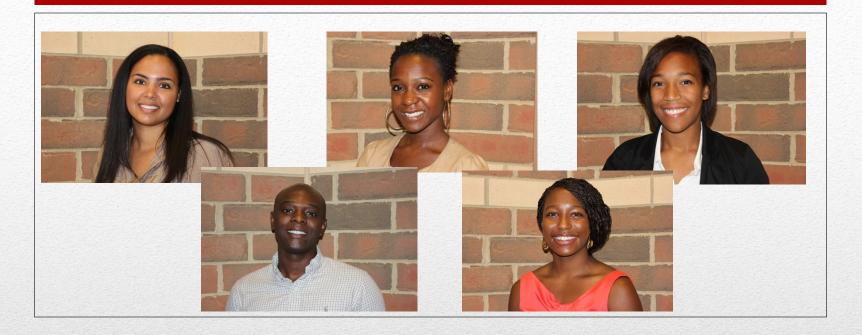




FCSD welcomes five new minority teachers and three new minority administrators for the 2012-13 school year!







Minority teachers who are new to FCSD will be matched with a minority mentor for support.







Four social networking events for staff members of color are scheduled for 2012-2013. The first is tailgating at the September 21 football game.





2012-2013 is the first year of our "Future Teacher Program."





Increase cultural competency of all teachers, administrators and staff Pillar/Goal #2:









- Rollout and implementation of the Common Core Standards and Revised State Standards
- District-wide focus on research-based instructional strategies that engage all students for core instruction
- Focused building efforts on AYP concerns to increase staff
 knowledge on how to effectively meet the needs of <u>all</u> students
- Communication with a variety of professional resources for future use





Increase community engagement and parental involvement Pillar/Goal #3





- Multicultural events
- Increase visibility of Equity Plan on redesigned website and social media tools
- Community Diversity Alliance Parents of Color Network for sharing and support
- ❖ FIS piloted quarterly open house for new families to FCSD. This year, all schools will hold open houses at the end of 1st, 2nd and 3rd quarters.
- Resource brochures project

Pillar/Goal #3 - Engaging Families







Senior Snapshot - Communications Internship program has a focus on showcasing FCSD diversity. Pillar/Goal #3









Student engagement with diversity change process

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- Student Diversity Alliances embrace cultural differences in various programs
- Investigation of STEM program
- Provide a means for students with varied learning styles to become more engaged in school activities
- Student participation on district and building-level committees that help promote diversity in FCSD (examples: ELT, Captain's Council)
- Community Diversity Alliance and its impact on our students



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- Pillar/Goal #1: Continue to increase minority hiring and retention and provide networking and support opportunities for staff of color
- Pillar/Goal #2: Focus on creating professional development/training opportunities centered on building cultural competency for all staff
- ▶ Pillar/Goal #3: Resource brochure program fully accessible to families; quarterly open houses in all schools; increased school cultural activities; visually represent the contributions of all minorities through district communications; promote availability of the translator function on the redesigned web site; District CDA to focus their work this year on this goal
- ➤ Pillar/Goal #4: Continue to investigate the possible implementation of STEM through a partnership with Butler Tech; provide opportunities for student involvement in culturally competent leadership activities, and continue to evaluate current practice in order to make changes that are responsive to the needs of all students

Moving Forward...







Questions?

