

OAKLAND UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

Community Schools, Thriving Students

Ralph J. Bunche High School

Measure N Commission Presentation



Presented by Principal Betsye Steele, Bunche Academy

Presented to Measure N Commision

May 4th, 9:30 - 10:00 AM





Design Process Narrative

- Monthly Alt Ed Design Lab
- Weekly Design Team Meetings
- Teacher and Student Surveys
- Community Meetings
- Advisory Board Meetings
- Overnight Principals Retreat
- Site Visits to Met West, Baltimore Culinary Arts Academies and Pathway Schools, Baltimore Re-engagement Center
- Prototyping and Piloting
 - o All School Career Exploration Visit
 - Bunche Lunch
 - o Bunche Breakfast
- On-site and Off-site Design Team Retreats
- Collaboration with Facilities and Nutrition Personnel for Bunche Kitchen Build Out
- Consultation with Design Architect for Bunche Kitchen Build Out



Focus Areas We Want To Shift

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Focus Area	Design Features
 Increase School-Wide Attendance Increase Percent of Students Graduating 	 Culinary Pathway and Student-prepared Meals for Whole School Student-managed School Reception Area ('The Front Room') Commercial Grade Kitchen Build-out Expand Restorative Justice (e.g. Morning Circles) Utilizing Asset and Strength Based Pedagogy Student Data Tracker and Targeted Interventions
 Transition to College and Career 	 Dual Enrollment Concurrent Enrollment Expand Work-Based Learning Opportunities



Root Causes and Goals

Root Causes	Goals
 Students have yet to experience	 Increase average monthly
success and value of school.	attendance to 85%
 Low academic expectations of students and deficit-based thinking 	 Increase the amount of students graduating by 5%
 Lack of structured program	 Increase percentage of
before graduation to engage	students participating in work-
support postsecondary student	based learning, and dual or
transitions	concurrent enrollment by 10%

Instructional Focus & Design Features



Instructional Focus	Instructional Design Features
 Expansion of Bothway Thomas 	 Culinary Arts Across the Disciplines
Pathway Theme	 Project Based Learning
 Literacy: Reading & 	 Writing Across the Disciplines
Writing	Block Scheduling
 Expansion Work 	 Intensive Reading Supports (e.g. Tutoring)
Based LearningExpansion of SEL	 Implementation of Work-Based Learning Curriculum (e.g. ECCO and Get Focused, Stay Focused)
and RJ Instruction	 Restorative Justice Class for Students



Action Plan

Spring 2016

- Redesign Master Schedule
- Design Commercial Kitchen for Culinary Pathway

Summer 2016

- Develop Culinary Course and Curriculum
- Hire Chef and Assistant Chef
- Provide PD on Project Based Learning

Fall 2016

• Design Student-Managed School Reception Area (Front of the House)

Spring 2017

 Reflect on Fall 2016 Project Based Learning Implementation to Improve Practice

EVERY STUDENT THRIVES!





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