

INTRODUCTION TO STRATEGIC PLAN

Meridian School District developed a Strategic Plan in 1991-1992 with the help of a large committee of parents, community members and district employees. Although this plan was very useful, the Board determined that it should be revisited and updated during the 2001-2002 school year.

In the fall of 2001, a committee was established similar to the group that was responsible for the earlier planning process. With the help of an experienced facilitator, this group reviewed the previous plan and developed a revised plan. The new plan retained many elements of the earlier work while it added new ideas and current goal statements.

Goals were established in five key areas: Academic, Community, Facilities, Administrative and Staff. Three or four specific goal statements were developed under each of these main headings.

The ongoing work of implementing these goals will first focus on breaking the goals down into specific action items with timelines and assignment of responsibility. The district wishes to engage parents and community members in this process. Work sessions will be scheduled in September. If you have a particular interest in working on a committee in one of the goals areas, please contact the District Office at 398-7111 or e-mail your response to Lilly Megard (lmegard@meridianlwednet.edu).

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