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# Principal's Report to the BUSD School Board January 2018 5.2.3

Current Alt Ed Enrollments: 65 students total (approximately 11% of BUSD High Schoolers)PGHS: 35 studentsBIS: 25 studentsKBS: 5 students

## WASC Self-Study Report

Our WASC report has been submitted (hooray!) and we are preparing for our visit from the committee on February 5-7. Our Critical Learning needs for WASC are connected to our most recent SPSA plan, which is also aligned with the district's LCAP priorities:

1. **College Career Readiness:** <u>Post Graduation Living Skills</u> - we aim to set up our students for success after high school (Capstone), though need better metrics to determine if what we are doing is correlated with postsecondary success

2. **Academic Achievement:** <u>Earning Credit/Motivation</u> (are students meeting their credit goals?) - setting and meeting credit goals each block, reflecting on previous credit earnings in order to make connections between success/failure

3. **School Climate:** establishing a culture of reaching/teaching/engaging students who have been impacted by trauma (adverse childhood experiences or "ACEs") and fostering a strong work ethic and spirit of <u>resiliency</u>.

Our WASC Action Plan outlines some of the specific strategies we plan to implement to help meet these needs:

### **College/Career Readiness**

- 1. Build Capstone course into the Master Schedule, ensuring students are supported to reach their graduation and post-high school college/career goals.
- 2. Sustain a high rate of matriculation from PGHS to post-graduate areas of responsibility by measuring the number of graduates who are enrolled in college or some other post-secondary training/preparation program.

### Academic Achievement

- 3. Collect credit earnings data by student and as a school every block to track academic progress.
- 4. Brainstorm and implement additional strategies to motivate students to earn credit and attend school regularly.
- 5. Continue to provide as much high quality direct instruction as possible in all subject areas in addition to Independent assignments when needed.
- 6. Continue to build a comprehensive data analysis plan that is relevant for a small continuation school.
- 7. Provide relevant and timely professional development targeted for at risk youth and continuation schools.

### **Positive School Climate**

- 8. Continue and expand Positive Behavior Intervention and Support (PBIS) strategies.
- 9. Provide positive activities for students and staff on campus and after school.
- 10. Influence students away from their use of controlled substances, including tobacco products.
- 11. Meet all prospective students and their families for an admission interview prior to enrolling.

I will report the outcome of the WASC visit including our school credentialing status during next month's board meeting.