

Strategic Planning Goal 2025-2026

School Committee Goal: Refocus School Committee efforts on high level district oversight and strategic planning in a way that supports the operational work and priorities of our administrators. To do this, the School Committee will:

- Agree to a statement that articulates a clear division of responsibilities between the School Committee and the administration. (There are good examples from MASC and other districts.) Post to the School Committee website and reference. Evaluate through check-ins with the superintendent and his team.
- Support the superintendent in completing the District Improvement Plan by:
 - Setting a near-term deadline for School Committee review of the draft to ensure that the plan reflects School Committee priorities
 - Establishing a timetable for the superintendent to gather and process stakeholder input and monitoring adherence to that timetable
 - Reviewing and approving the finalized plan in spring 2026 for implementation on July 1, 2026
- Consider strategic planning frameworks for the district moving forward, with clearly articulated responsibilities for the School Committee in that process.
 - Schedule a MASC workshop on the School Committee's planning responsibilities, both on an annual and longer term basis
 - Appoint a member or ad hoc subcommittee to develop a proposed plan for consideration by the full School Committee in spring 2026, to run concurrently with the District Improvement Plan.
 - This plan will outline both annual and longer-term planning and oversight responsibilities for the School Committee with a proposed timetable for action.
 - The development of this plan will include looking at annual work (such as goal setting and tracking, setting of budget priorities and the approval of school improvement plans), as well as longer term planning and visioning (such as the district mission and vision, portrait of a graduate/learner, and development of the next district improvement plan), all while adhering to the appropriate and agreed upon division of responsibilities between the School Committee and the administration.