

## **Green Street School Leadership Council Sept 16th 2024 Minutes**

On Monday, September 16th the Green Street School leadership council met via Zoom for a general meeting discussion. The meeting was called to order at 6:02 pm and in attendance were: Kate Margaitis, Matt Schibley, Leigh Niland, Lauren Brown, Christina Howe, Silvana Kerlin-Smith, and Erin Wessel.

The discussion opened with feedback about the prior year's meetings and what was helpful information to share at meetings. Some feedback included, sharing academic assessment and Panorama Survey data, discussing annual budgets, sharing positive behavior intervention updates, sharing professional development opportunities for staff and teachers, and continuing to look at curriculum and benchmark goals in our school and district.

As a part of the Principles update we saw a slide show that the school staff were presented with at a staff meeting. The slideshow detailed goals in the Continuous Improvement Plan (CIP) and demonstrated the effect of the measures taken in the past year to bring literacy standards up by 10% and increase high school graduation rates. In June of 2026 our district aims to surpass the state of Vermont average high school graduation rates. This year the goal to increase literacy proficiency by 10% will also include bringing math proficiency rates up by 10% to close the achievement gap. The school has a plan to bring student voices into their own education by including 4-6th graders in "kid talks" about academic, behavioral, or social-emotional goals.

The school and district continue to discuss the best ways to increase attendance and support families with high absenteeism. A non-punitive support model includes sending letters at 5, 10, and 15 days absent. At 15 days the family is offered a service plan meeting. A connection between attendance rates and high school graduation rates demonstrates how important attendance is.

School board updates included information about upcoming discussions on Policy F1, an update about possibly introducing two Panorama Surveys instead of just one, and some explanation about how budgets go to the state, and the state then assigns tax rates accordingly. Policy F1 is located at this link:

[https://drive.google.com/file/d/1F09Fh4FpylXgHi5G4QL\\_V2yVfhJsaOAV/view](https://drive.google.com/file/d/1F09Fh4FpylXgHi5G4QL_V2yVfhJsaOAV/view)

The meeting was adjourned at 7:07 pm

Next meeting: October 21st at 6pm on Zoom.