



Hot Springs School District: Advanced Opportunity Strategic Plan

Helping Everyone Achieve Together

Goal: Enhance Student Opportunities

The Hot Springs School District recognizes the importance of providing students with a safe and supportive learning environment that promotes success after High School. It is our goal to enhance student opportunities by fostering student interest in pathways for career and postsecondary education that are affordable to all.

Objective 1: Student Preparedness

Expand learning opportunities that help personalize learning opportunities for our students. Elective and core courses will be offered through the Imagine Edgenuity Platform to offer students a variety of courses that we cannot offer on-campus due to funding and staffing shortages.

Strategies:

- Set up advising meetings with students, parents, and school counselors to create individual learning plans to develop graduation plans and class schedules that align with student interests.
- Provide adequate technology and a quiet learning environment that is monitored by staff to ensure course completion and instructional guidance.

Objective 2: Career/Technical Education Courses & Career Exploration Opportunities

Continue to support the Dual Credit Welding Certification Program and other career exploration programs such as FCCLA and FFA. In addition, expanding CTE opportunities to include additional Certificate of Technical Studies.

Strategies:

- Partner with Flathead Valley Community College (FVCC) to expand the dual enrollment to include other Certificate of Studies offered.
- Professional Development for Instructors to gain certification to teach additional Technical Certification Courses through FVCC
- Promote programs to students interested in the trades industry.

Objective 3: College Preparedness through Dual Credit

Continue to partner with Flathead Valley Community College and MSU-Great Falls to provide students interested in post-secondary education with the opportunity to take college courses a low cost.

Strategies:

- Set up advising meetings with students, parents, and school counselors to create individual learning plans to develop graduation plans and class schedules that align with student interests.
- Offer financial support to pay for tuition, technology, and other supplies needed for students to complete coursework.
- Offer financial support for college campus visits, application fees, and other costs needed to help students apply for college.

Objective 4: Promote and Expand Work Study Opportunities

Partner with local community organizations and businesses to offer apprenticeships and internship programs.

Strategies:

- Offer financial support to businesses or students that are willing to participate in the work-study program.
- Staff a work-study facilitator/monitor to ensure student success and employer satisfaction.