

Education Alliance of Washoe County STRATEGIC PLAN 2015-2020

MISSION STATEMENT

The Education Alliance is a community partnership that fosters educational excellence and student achievement in Washoe County through leadership, advocacy, and resource development.

The Education Alliance accomplishes its mission through a Board and Committees that are reflective of our community (students, parents, families, business leaders, civic leaders, educators, and other stakeholders). Our mission emphasizes:

Leadership

Promote awareness of educational needs and develop leadership skills of stakeholders and Education Alliance members.

Advocacy

Develop and communicate best practices and initiatives that support career and education goals.

Resources

Provide targeted support of educational achievement initiatives.

Education Alliance of Washoe County OBJECTIVES - Draft 2015-2020

The 2015-2020 Strategic Plan Objectives serve as a guide to our community and committees to support the mission of the Education Alliance.

LEADERSHIP

Promote awareness of educational needs and develop leadership skills of stakeholders and Education Alliance members.

Objectives

- 1. Provide opportunities to expand awareness for educators, families, businesses, and civic leaders about Pre-K through higher education in Washoe County:
 - a. Principal for a Day
 - b. Consider the following:
 - i. Business and Civic Leader/Executive for a Day
 - ii. Higher Education Leader for a Day
 - iii. Other programs for different levels
 - c. Regular updates/presentations to and from the Education Alliance; the Washoe County School District; the University of Nevada, Reno; and Truckee Meadows Community College.
- 2. Provide the framework for businesses and community organizations to engage with schools:
 - a. Partner in Education (PiE) Program
 - b. Develop and implement a Comprehensive Communication Plan to provide value to partners through media, etc.
- 3. Provide data analysis and information to support student achievement:
 - a. Complete annual Data Profile
 - b. Researched support for Nevada Ready Standards
 - c. Researched support for Diploma Proposal
 - d. Career and College Readiness educational materials and programs
- 4. Develop Education Alliance Board Leadership:
 - a. Board engagement tool
 - b. Bylaws Review
 - c. Board Member Orientation
 - d. Recruit future board members
 - e. Build and maintain committee membership

ADVOCACY

Develop and communicate best practices and initiatives that support career and education goals.

Objectives

- 1. Provide research to support educational achievement for Pre-K to 12th grade, higher education, and career pathways:
 - a. P-16 Projects
 - b. Education White Paper(s)
 - c. Data Profile
 - d. Career pathways s (e.g. apprenticeships, certifications)
- 2. Provide opportunities for collaboration between education and students, parents, families, businesses, and civic leaders:
 - a. Partner in Education Program
 - b. Run for Education
 - c. Career and College Readiness initiatives
 - d. Principal for a Day/Business and Civic Leader/Executive for a Day
- 3. Develop strategies for stakeholders to advocate for educational achievement:
 - a. Understand and communicate educational initiatives
 - b. Public speaking training
 - c. Letter writing campaigns
 - d. Testimony at hearings

RESOURCES

Provide targeted support of educational achievement initiatives.

Objectives

- 1. To develop and maintain resources supporting the Education Alliance mission and programs:
 - a. In-kind Donations
 - b. Grants
 - c. Fundraising
 - d. Sponsorships
 - e. Institutional support
- 2. Provide fiscal accountability and continuity of operations:
 - a. Develop an annual budget
 - b. Conduct an annual audit
 - c. Prepare an annual report
 - d. Develop and sustain Board and Committee recruitment, training, and development