Weatherly Area SD

Comprehensive Plan | 2024 - 2027

Profile and Plan Essentials

LEA Type		AUN	
WASD		121139004	
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LEA Profile

The Weatherly Area School District is located in Carbon County in Northeastern rural Pennsylvania. Our district covers approximately 100 square miles and serves approximately 640 students and employs over 100 staff members. All teachers are appropriately certified and Google certified. Our campus consists of a PreK-8 building, a 9-12 High School, and numerous athletic fields, as well as an enrollment partnership with CCTI. The district receives tremendous support from Booster Clubs and the Weatherly High School Alumni Association. Weatherly Area has a proud history of excellence in academics. We offer many course electives including arts and humanities, STEM, honors, AP classes as well as Dual Enrollment program in which students can earn college credits. Our buildings are equipped with the latest educational technologies including Promethean boards, Epson interactive projectors, HP Chromebooks, Apple Ipads and Apple Macbooks.

Mission and Vision

Mission

Mission - Collaborating with the Wrecker community, WASD is committed to educate and equip every student to be a meaningful contributor in a diverse society.

Vision

Vision - Educating for success, empowering for the future and inspiring excellence.

Educational Values

Students

We believe that education is one of the most important influences on individuals and their roles in the global society.

Staff

We believe the "whole child" can be nurtured in these developmental areas: Emotional, Social, Intellectual, Physical, and Creative.

Administration

We believe all students will learn to communicate effectively, problem solve, develop higher level thinking skills, and be exposed to the latest in educational technology.

Parents

We believe our schools should provide a safe and positive learning environment, where students embrace the diversity of others and become caring and responsible members of society.

Community

We believe every student has intrinsic worth, talents, gifts, and value; high expectations for each student should be the foundation of the educational process.

Other (Optional)

W – Working collaboratively to meet the needs of all student R – Recognize and foster individual student's talents, skills and gifts E – Educational change through ongoing staff development is necessary to meet the many challenges occurring in our society C –Cultivate a learning environment that is safe and nurturing and offers security for all students K – Knowledge is a lifelong process that should begin with the family, and be encouraged and nurtured through the partnership of all stakeholders E – Education is one of the most important influences on individuals and their roles in the global society R – Recognize and respect cultural diversity S – Students will learn to communicate effectively, problem solve, develop critical thinking skills, collaborate and use technology efficiently

Future Ready PA Index

Review of the School(s) Level Performance

Strengths

Indicator	Comments/Notable Observations
College and Career Readiness	22-23 FRCPP Data
Students exceed state average in college and career readiness in all three	
grade spans.	

Challenges

Indicator	Comments/Notable Observations
67.3% Regular Attendance Rate in High School	Data from FRCPP 21-22 school year.
74.0% Regular Attendance Rate in Middle School	Data from FRCPP 21-22 school year.
76.5% Regular Attendance Rate in the Elementary School	Data from FRCPP 21-22 school year.

Review of Grade Level(s) and Individual Student Group(s)

Strengths

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Indicator		
Career Standards Benchmark 100%	Comments/Notable Observations	
Grade Level(s) and/or Student Group(s)	Comments/Notable Observations	
Elementary School		
Indicator		
Career Standards Benchmark 100%	Comments/Notable Observations	
Grade Level(s) and/or Student Group(s)	Comments/Notable Observations	
Middle School		
Indicator		
Career Standards Benchmark 98.1%	Commonts/Notable Observations	
Grade Level(s) and/or Student Group(s)	Comments/Notable Observations	
High School		

Challenges

Indicator		
4 Year Graduation Cohort 67.6%	Comments/Notable Observations	
Grade Level(s) and/or Student Group(s)	Data from 22-23 FRCPP 5 year graduation Cohort 94.6%	
All student Group		
Indicator	Comments/Notable Observations	
Grade Level(s) and/or Student Group(s)		
Indicator	Comments/Notable Observations	
Grade Level(s) and/or Student Group(s)	Comments/Notable Observations	
Indicator	Comments/Notable Observations	
Grade Level(s) and/or Student Group(s)	Comments/Notable Observations	

Summary

Strengths

Review the strengths listed above and copy and paste 2-5 strengths which have had the most impact in improving your most pressing challenges.

Students exceed state average in college and career readiness in all three grade spans.

Challenges

Review the challenges listed above and copy and paste 2-5 challenges if improved would have the most impact in achieving your Future Ready PA index targets.

67.3% Regular Attendance Rate in High School

74.0% Regular Attendance Rate in Middle School

76.5% Regular Attendance Rate in the Elementary School

Local Assessment

English Language Arts

Data	Comments/Notable Observations
71.8% of Students in grades were	Data from PA Future Ready Index 2022-23 school year. The district
proficient or advanced on the	comprehensive planning team acknowledges the impact of learning loss
Keystone Literature Exam.	during the COVID-19 pandemic on student achievement.
48.3% of Students in grades 6-8	
were proficient or advanced on	
the ELA PSSA test.	
55.8% of Students in grades 3-5	
were proficient or advanced on	
the ELA PSSA test.	

English Language Arts Summary

Strengths

71.8% of Students in grades were proficient or advanced on the Keystone Literature Exam.

Challenges

48.3% of Students in grades 6-8 were proficient or advanced on the ELA PSSA test.

Mathematics

Data	Comments/Notable Observations
61.0% of students were proficient or advanced	Date from PA Future Ready Index 2021-22 school year. The
on the Keystone Exam in grades 9-12. Students	district comprehensive planning team acknowledges the
demonstrated growth from previous testing year.	impact of learning loss during the COVID-19 pandemic on
Insufficient Sample for 22-23.	student achievement.
	Date from PA Future Ready Index 2022-23 school year. The
19% of Students in grades 6-8 were proficient or	district comprehensive planning team acknowledges the
advanced on the Math PSSA test.	impact of learning loss during the COVID-19 pandemic on
	student achievement.
40.70% of Students in grades 2. E were proficient	Date from PA Future Ready Index 2022-23 school year. The
49.7% of Students in grades 3-5 were proficient or advanced on the Math PSSA test. The growth	district comprehensive planning team acknowledges the
	impact of learning loss during the COVID-19 pandemic on
score in the 3-5 grade band was 93.	student achievement.

Mathematics Summary

Strengths

49.7% of Students in grades 3-5 were proficient or advanced on the Math PSSA test.

Challenges

19% of Students in grades 6-8 were proficient or advanced on the Math PSSA test.

Science, Technology, and Engineering Education

Data	Comments/Notable Observations
74.4% of students were	Date from PA Future Ready Index 2022-23 school year. The district
proficient on the Keystone	comprehensive planning team acknowledges the impact of learning loss

Biology Exam	during the COVID-19 pandemic on student achievement.
54.1% of Students in grade 8	
were proficient or advanced on	
the Science PSSA test.	
91.8% of Students in grades 3-5	
were proficient or advanced on	
the Science PSSA test.	

Science, Technology, and Engineering Education Summary

Strengths

74.4% of students were proficient on the Keystone Biology Exam
91.8% of Students in grades 3-5 were proficient or advanced on the Science PSSA test.

Challenges

54.1% of Students in grade 8 were proficient or advanced on the Science PSSA test.

Related Academics

Career Readiness

Data	Comments/Notable Observations
All students in the Elementary, Middle and High Schools exceeded the statewide	
average. Elementary and middle school were 100% and the high school was	
98.1%	

Career and Technical Education (CTE) Programs

True Career and Technical Education (CTE) Programs Omit

Arts and Humanities

True Arts and Humanities Omit

Environment and Ecology

True Environment and Ecology Omit

Family and Consumer Sciences

True Family and Consumer Sciences Omit

Health, Safety, and Physical Education

True Health, Safety, and Physical Education Omit

Social Studies (Civics and Government, Economics, Geography, History)

True Social Studies (Civics and Government, Economics, Geography, History) Omit

Articulation Agreements

False We do not have any articulation agreements because we do not have high school students, or ALL current agreements have been uploaded to other FRCPP plans.

Partnering Institution

Carbon County Technical Institute

Agreement Type

Local Articulation

Program/Course Area

Techincal School

Uploaded Files

CCTI Budget Approval 2023 d7c6d7b3.pdf

Partnering Institution

Lehigh Carbon Community College

Agreement Type

Dual Credit

Program/Course Area

College

Uploaded Files

Dual Enrollment Agreement 02fb78cc.pdf

Summary

Strengths

Review the comments and notable observations listed previously and record 2-5 strengths which have had the most impact in improving your most pressing challenges.

All students in the Elementary, Middle and High Schools exceeded the statewide average

Challenges

Review the comments and notable observations listed previously and record 2-5 Challenges which if improved would have the most impact in achieving your Mission and Vision.

N/A

Equity Considerations

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True This student group is not a focus in this plan.

Students with Disabilities

True This student group is not a focus in this plan.

Students Considered Economically Disadvantaged

True This student group is not a focus in this plan.

Student Groups by Race/Ethnicity

True This student group is not a focus in this plan.

Summary

Strengths

Review the comments and notable observations listed previously and record the 2-5 strengths which have had the most impact in improving your most pressing challenges.

N/A
Challenges
Review the comments and notable observations listed previously and record the 2-5 Challenges which if improved would have the most impact in achieving your Mission and Vision.
N/A

Designated Schools

There are no Designated Schools.

Supplemental LEA Plans

Programs and Plans	Comments/Notable Observations
Special Education Plan	N/A
Title 1 Program	Goals from School-wide plans are included
Student Services	N/A
K-12 Guidance Plan (339 Plan)	N/A
Technology Plan	N/A
English Language Development Programs	N/A

Strengths

Review the comments and notable observations listed and record those which have had the most impact in improving your most pressing challenges.

Challenges

Review the comments and notable observations listed previously and record the 2-5 challenges which if improved would have the most impact in achieving your Mission and Vision.

Conditions for Leadership, Teaching, and Learning

Empower Leadership for District Continuous Improvement

Foster a vision and culture of high expectations for success for all students, educators, and families	Operational
Establish and maintain a focused system for continuous improvement and ensure organizational coherence	Operational
Engage in meaningful two-way communication with stakeholders to sustain shared responsibility for student learning across the district	Operational

Focus on Continuous Improvement of Instruction

Ensure effective, standards-aligned curriculum and assessment	Emerging
Support schools in implementing evidence-based instructional strategies and programs to ensure all students have access to rigorous, standards-aligned instruction	Emerging
Build the capacity of central office and school administrators as instructional leaders to effectively monitor, supervise, and support high quality teaching and learning	Operational

Provide Student-Centered Supports so That All Students are Ready to Learn

Coordinate and monitor supports aligned with students' and families' needs	Operational
Partner with local businesses, community organizations, and other agencies to meet the	Operational
needs of the district	Operational

Implement Data-Driven Human Capital Strategies

Recruit and retain fully credentialed, experienced and high-quality leaders and teachers	Operational
Support the development and professional learning of central office and school-based	Operational
staff in alignment with district and school mission, vision, goals, and priorities	

Organize and Allocate Resources and Services Strategically and Equitably

Allocate resources, including money, staff, professional learning, materials, and support to schools based on the analysis of a variety of data	Operational
Coordinate fiscal resources from local, state, and federal programs to achieve the district's goals and priorities	Exemplary

Summary

Strengths

With your vision and goals in mind, identify and record which essential practices are currently Operational or Exemplary and could be leveraged to improve your most pressing concerns.

Coordinate and monitor supports aligned with students' and families' needs

Coordinate fiscal resources from local, state, and federal programs to achieve the district's goals and priorities

Challenges

With your vision and goals in mind, identify and record which essential practices that are currently Not Yet Evident or Emerging, that if improved, would greatly impact your progress in achieving your mission and vision.

Ensure effective, standards-aligned curriculum and assessment

Support schools in implementing evidence-based instructional strategies and programs to ensure all students have access to rigorous, standards-aligned instruction

Engage in meaningful two-way communication with stakeholders to sustain shared responsibility for student learning across the district (specific to internal communication regarding student achievement)

Summary of Strengths and Challenges from the Needs Assessment

Strengths

Examine the Summary of Strengths. Identify the strengths that are most positively contributing to achievement of your mission and vision. Check the box to the right of these identified strength(s).

	Check for	
Strength	Consideration in	
	Plan	
Students exceed state average in college and career readiness in all three grade spans.	False	
71.8% of Students in grades were proficient or advanced on the Keystone Literature	False	
Exam.	raise	
49.7% of Students in grades 3-5 were proficient or advanced on the Math PSSA test.	False	
74.4% of students were proficient on the Keystone Biology Exam	True	
Coordinate and monitor supports aligned with students' and families' needs	False	
Coordinate fiscal resources from local, state, and federal programs to achieve the	False	
district's goals and priorities	Taise	
All students in the Elementary, Middle and High Schools exceeded the statewide	False	
average	1 0135	
N/A	False	
91.8% of Students in grades 3-5 were proficient or advanced on the Science PSSA test.	False	

Challenges

Examine the Summary of Challenges. Identify the challenges which are most pressing at this time for your District and if improved would have the most pronounced impact in achieving your mission and vision. Check the box to the right of these identified challenge(s).

	Check for
Strength	Consideration in
	Plan
67.3% Regular Attendance Rate in High School	True
74.0% Regular Attendance Rate in Middle School	False
76.5% Regular Attendance Rate in the Elementary School	False
48.3% of Students in grades 6-8 were proficient or advanced on the ELA PSSA test.	False
19% of Students in grades 6-8 were proficient or advanced on the Math PSSA test.	False
Ensure effective, standards-aligned curriculum and assessment	True
Support schools in implementing evidence-based instructional strategies and programs	False
to ensure all students have access to rigorous, standards-aligned instruction	raise
Engage in meaningful two-way communication with stakeholders to sustain shared	
responsibility for student learning across the district (specific to internal communication	False
regarding student achievement)	
54.1% of Students in grade 8 were proficient or advanced on the Science PSSA test.	False
N/A	False
N/A	False

Most Notable Observations/Patterns

In the space provided, record any of the comments and notable observations made as your team worked through the needs assessment that stand out as important to the challenge(s) you checked for consideration in your comprehensive plan.

The planning team determined that due to the Covid-19 Pandemic the district needs to focus on Student acceleration, school wide positive behavior and supplemental supports for emotional well being, increase parent involvement and realign science curriculum with adopted standards.

Analyzing (Strengths and Challenges)

Analyzing Challenges

Analyzing Challenges	Discussion Points	Check for Priority
67.3% Regular Attendance Rate in High School		True
Ensure effective, standards-aligned curriculum and assessment		True

Analyzing Strengths

Analyzing Strengths	Discussion Points
74.4% of students were proficient on the Keystone Biology Exam	

Priority Challenges

Analyzing Priority Challenges	Priority Statements
	If we ensure that effective and standards-aligned math curriculum and assessments are being utilized in all classrooms, then students will demonstrate greater growth in the math curricular area.
	If we prioritize attendance improvement at the high school level and staff develop plans to incentivize attendance, then students will demonstrate improved regular attendance rates.

Goal Setting

Priority: If we ensure that effective and standards-aligned math curriculum and assessments are being utilized in all classrooms, then students will demonstrate greater growth in the math curricular area.

Outcome Category			
Essential Practices 1: Focus on Conti	nuous Improvement of Instruction		
Measurable Goal Statement (Smart	Goal)		
The number of middle school studer	its demonstrating proficiency on the P	SSA math test will increase to 25%.	
Measurable Goal Nickname (35 Cha	Measurable Goal Nickname (35 Character Max)		
Math Curriculum			
Target Year 1	Target Year 2	Target Year 3	
The number of middle school	The number of middle school	The number of middle school	
students demonstrating proficiency students demonstrating proficiency students demonstrating proficien			
on the PSSA math test will increase	on the PSSA math test will increase	on the PSSA math test will increase	
to 21%.	to 23%.	to 25%.	

Priority: If we prioritize attendance improvement at the high school level and staff develop plans to incentivize attendance, then students will demonstrate improved regular attendance rates.

incentivize attendance, then students will demonstrate improved regular attendance rates.			
Outcome Category			
Regular Attendance			
Measurable Goal Statement (Sma	rt Goal)		
Regular attendance at the high school will increase to 78%			
Measurable Goal Nickname (35 Cl	naracter Max)		
Attendance			
Target Year 1 Target Year 2 Target Year 3			
Regular attendance at the high	Regular attendance at the high	Regular attendance at the high	
school will increase to 70% school will increase to 74%. school will increase to 78%			

Action Plan

Measurable Goals

Math Curriculum	Attendance
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Action Plan For: Curriculum Alignment

Measurable Goals:

• The number of middle school students demonstrating proficiency on the PSSA math test will increase to 25%.

Action Step			Anticipated Start/Completion Date	
•	napping tool to be utilized for staff across the K-12 ete complete curriculum maps throughout the course	2024-08- 26	2025-05- 30	
Lead Person/Position	Material/Resources/Supports Needed	PD Step?	Com Step?	
Mr. Tony Despirito/Principal	PDE SAS	No	No	
Action Step			Anticipated Start/Completion Date	
Survey to teachers to solicit whe fidelity.	ther they are following the current curriculum with	2025-03- 31	2025-05- 30	
Lead Person/Position	Material/Resources/Supports Needed	PD Step?	Com Step?	
Mr. Tony Despirito/Principal	District Developed Survey Tool	No	No	
Action Step		Anticipated Start/Completion Date		
Development of data teams to a	nalyze data with regularity throughout the course of	2025-08-	2026-05-	
the school year with an emphasi	s on student interventions where appropriate.	25	29	
Lead Person/Position	Material/Resources/Supports Needed	PD Step?	Com Step?	
Mr. Tony Despirito/Principal	CLIU Data team support	Yes	No	
Action Step		Anticipated Start/Com Date		
•	mittee to provide continuous analysis of needs neview cycle will be developed by the committee.	2026-08- 24	2027-05- 28	
Lead Person/Position	Material/Resources/Supports Needed	PD Step?	Com Step?	
Mr. Tony Despirito/Principal	Curriculum Committee, Review Cycle	No	No	

Anticipated Output	Monitoring/Evaluation (People, Frequency, and Method)
Improvement in	Quarterly monitoring by principal, superintendent, and Director of Special Education.
Math Achievement	Tools used will include collection of curriculum maps, survey results from teachers, and

development of curriculum review cycle.

Action Plan For: Attendance Improvement

Measurable Goals:

• Regular attendance at the high school will increase to 78%

Action Step			Anticipated Start/Completion Date	
· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	ent committee which includes student ill develop a survey to be completed by students to improve attendance.	2024-08- 26	2025-05- 30	
Lead Person/Position	Material/Resources/Supports Needed	PD Step?	Com Step?	
Mr. Tony Despirito/Principal	Attendance reports	No	Yes	
		Anticipate		
Action Step			Start/Completion Date	
Utilizing the data collected in year	1, expand the current PBIS system to include	2025-08-	2026-05-	
attendance improvement as part of	of the PRIDE expectations for students.	25	29	
Lead Person/Position	Material/Resources/Supports Needed	PD Step?	Com Step?	
Mr. Tony Despirito/Principal	Attendance Reports, funding for incentives	No	No	
Action Step		Anticipate Start/Com Date		
Analyze current attendance plan a	s well as implemented PBIS attendance expectations	2026-08-	2027-05-	
for effectiveness. Provide recomm	endations to administration for consideration.	24	28	
Lead Person/Position	Material/Resources/Supports Needed	PD Step?	Com Step?	
Mr. Tony Despirito/Principal	Attendance Reports, Committee Notes	No	No	

Anticipated Output	Monitoring/Evaluation (People, Frequency, and Method)
Improved	Attendance will be monitored on a weekly basis throughout the duration of the plan. The
Attendance	attendance committee will provide recommendations to administration quarterly.

Professional Development

Professional Development Action Steps

Evidence-based Strategy	Action Steps
Curriculum	Development of data teams to analyze data with regularity throughout the course of the
Alignment	school year with an emphasis on student interventions where appropriate.

Data Wise Professional Development

Action Step

• Development of data teams to analyze data with regularity throughout the course of the school year with an emphasis on student interventions where appropriate.

Audience

All Professional Staff

Topics to be Included

Learn how to utilize the Data Wise Improvement Process to support a culture of collaborative data inquiry and improve teaching and learning. This course focuses on cultivating the habits of mind, norms, and practices that support continuous improvement which leads to increased student achievement. Participants will learn the 8-step Data Wise process for using a wide range of data sources to improve instruction through the use of data protocols.

Evidence of Learning

Staff feedback and development of data teams

Lead Person/Position	Anticipated Start	Anticipated Completion
Mr. Tony Despirito/ Principal	2025-08-25	2026-05-29

Learning Format

Type of Activities Frequency		
Inservice day	Quarterly	
Observation and Practice Framework Met in this Plan		
3d: Using Assessment in Instruction		
1f: Designing Student Assessments		
1e: Designing Coherent Instruction		
This Step Meets the Requirements of State Required Trainings		

Communications

Communications Action Steps

Evidence-based Strategy	Action Steps
Attendance Improvement	Develop an attendance improvement committee which includes student representation. The Committee will develop a survey to be completed by students which will inform future planning to improve attendance.

Develop Attendance Improvement Committee

Action Step	·	
•	ement committee which includes pleted by students which will info	student representation. The Committee orm future planning to improve
Audience		
Student Body and Community		
Topics to be Included		
Development of attendance improve	ement committee	
Lead Person/Position	Anticipated Start	Anticipated Completion
Mr. Tony Despirito/Prinicpal	2024-08-26	2024-10-31

Communication

Type of Communication	Frequency
Email	Weekly

Approvals & Signatures

Uploaded Files		

Chief School Administrator	Date