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## K-8 ACADEMIC SUCCESS

Shared plan with Anchor Schools, Out-of School time partners, and NAZ teams

What will improve?

### RESULT

*A population condition of well being.*

NAZ scholars are on-track to graduation, demonstrate grade-appropriate skills and hold positive attitudes and beliefs for learning.

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Is anybody better off?

### OUTCOMES

*Performance Measure: Shows whether or not results are achieved.*

- # and % of scholars demonstrating proficiency and/or growth in standardized tests or progress monitoring measures: MCAs, MAPs,
  - # and % of scholars demonstrating progress in Scholar Achievement Plan
  - # and % of master teachers (6+ years of experience) at anchor schools
  - # of years principal is at school
  - # of principals with a track record of success in urban school leadership
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How much did we do?

### OUTPUTS

*Performance Measure: Shows the quantity of solutions utilized.*

#### SCHOOLS & PROGRAMS

- # and % participating Scholar Achievement Planning
  - # of Scholars attending Out-of-School Time (OST) programming
  - # and % on rosters or at sites proficient on assessments
  - # of scholars improving academic outcomes (i.e., grades, coursework, attitudes toward school and community)
  - # and % with identified behavioral health referrals
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How well did we do it?

### INPUTS

*Performance Measure: Shows the fidelity of implementation.*

- Utilization and support for critical pedagogy and culturally relevant practices in schools and programs

- # and quality of academic supports/interventions offered at schools
- # of counselors per student in schools
- Offering of behavioral health supports in schools that are culturally responsive
- # of teachers and administrators of color in schools
- # and % of master teachers (6+ years of experience) in schools that teach general and special education courses
- # of years principal is at school
- # of principals with a track record of success in urban school leadership

## COLLABORATION PROCESS

*Overview of strategies. To see Key Elements, please refer to 00 Collaboration document.*

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STRATEGY 1 | NAZ and partners will co-create an annual site-based implementation plan based on the related elements in the NAZ Collaborative Results Plan to define and support implementation

STRATEGY 2 | NAZ and partner staff participate in specified meetings together to address technical, adaptive, relationship and resource work to support outcomes across the collaborative

STRATEGY 3 | Contribute organizational data to collaborative database

STRATEGY 4 | Use data and learnings for continuous improvement

STRATEGY 5 | Intentional practice of effective results-focused conversations to drive action across meetings and interactions

STRATEGY 6 | NAZ organization and partners will share in developing and communicating collaborative results and other PR stories relevant building a college-culture in North Minneapolis

STRATEGY 7 | Participate in building a “College-Going Culture” in North Minneapolis

STRATEGY 8 | Develop, identify and report on budget for NAZ organization and full collaborative work to reach goals

STRATEGY 9 | Identify opportunities for shared funding proposals aligned with business plan goals

STRATEGY 10 | NAZ organization and partners will work together to shift the culture of resource investment toward less siloed funding

STRATEGY 11 | Use learnings, opportunities, and barriers identified through results plan and shared work with families to established systems change and policy agenda

## STRATEGY AREAS

*Grouping of strategies.*

Integration of Parent Engagement & Leaders to support Scholar Success

Scholar Achievement Planning (SAP)/Coaching to Help Scholars Integrate Learning

*Implemented by various roles across NAZ, including Family Achievement Coach, Reading Partners, OST program staff.*

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## STRATEGIES AND KEY ELEMENTS

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### STRATEGY 1 | Partner with Parents to Enhance Outcomes for Scholars

#### KEY ELEMENTS

- Partners and schools embed strategies to effectively engage parents in supporting scholar success
- Use Achievement Planning as a tool to engage families in alignment with scholar support
- Partners and schools implement Family Academy or other validated parent education classes
- Embed parent leaders within school and/or program

### STRATEGY 2 | Develop Effective Communication Methods with Families

#### KEY ELEMENTS

- Partners work with parents to develop understanding of the educational pipeline and key transitions (i.e., kindergarten, middle school, high school, college)
- Partners and schools take multiple approaches to inform parents about academic and non-academic progress
- Share information and resources to support Scholars' growth

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### STRATEGY 3 | Identify role within site (NAZ Family Achievement Coach, Reading Corps Scholar Coach, OST staff) and train on model and modalities

#### KEY ELEMENTS

- Motivational Interviewing, Empowerment, Adverse Childhood Experiences
- Goal setting process
- Scholar engagement
- Positive racial and cultural identity development

### STRATEGY 4 | Engage and build relationships with Scholars identified through site-based staff (teachers, social workers, principals)

#### KEY ELEMENTS

- Facilitate data sharing process and ensure that NAZ Connect releases are in place
- Use positive youth development practices to build relationships with scholars

#### **STRATEGY 5 | Set goals in key areas with Scholars to support [academic and social-emotional learning](#).**

#### KEY ELEMENTS

- Determine who is on Scholar's "team"
- Understand what motivates and "[Sparks](#)" Scholar's interest
- Support Scholar to use their "[voice](#)" effectively and enhance self-esteem

#### **STRATEGY 6 | Use goals-to-action framework to monitor progress on key SAP elements and track growth**

#### KEY ELEMENTS

- Find solutions with team when challenges arise
- Engage Scholar's teachers and other "team" members to analyze individual progress, develop an intervention plan and support further goal development

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### Ensure Effective Pipeline at Key Transitions

#### **STRATEGY 7 | Engage and prepare parents and Scholars for key grade-level transitions**

#### KEY ELEMENTS

- Support parents to choose NAZ Anchor Schools and/or other rising and high performing schools that provide a good "fit" for their Scholar
- Create opportunities for parents to learn about school options

#### **STRATEGY 8 | Support opportunities for teachers and administrators to create pipelines across school settings**

#### KEY ELEMENTS

- Create events to promote pipeline transitions that are tailored to the needs and interests of Scholars and parents
- Design and implement curricular opportunities between classrooms and across schools that prepare students to advance along the pipeline (i.e., co-curricular design, classroom exchanges, etc.)
- Collaborate to align curriculum for successful advancement of Scholars from one grade-level to the next

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## Foster A College-Bound Culture

### STRATEGY 9 | College-going culture is embedded in all aspects of schools and programs

#### KEY ELEMENTS

- Schools and programs articulate pathways to college and other post-secondary options via targeted supports for scholars (i.e., college tours, workshops in college readiness, etc.) and parent engagement
  - Embody a culture of high expectations in academic achievement for each scholar
  - Participate in NAZ's college-going culture campaign (i.e., marketing materials)
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## Success in Urban School Transformation

### STRATEGY 10 | Effective School Leadership

#### KEY ELEMENTS

- Stable school leadership is fostered by the district/school board/archdioceses to hire and retain effective principals at schools for 5+ years
- Principals demonstrate a track record of success in urban school leadership
- Principals hold high expectations for student achievement, parent engagement, teacher effectiveness, and obtaining outcomes
- Principals provide instructional leadership that fosters creativity, critical thinking and culturally relevant curricula and pedagogy
- Principals hire and maintain a racially diverse and experienced teacher workforce

### STRATEGY 11 | Effective Classrooms

#### KEY ELEMENTS

- Effective teaching is fostered by school leadership/district/school board/archdioceses by hiring and retaining high quality teachers and a high % of master teachers ( 6+years of experience)
- Teachers demonstrate a track record of success teaching diverse students in urban schools
- Teachers implement critical pedagogy and culturally responsive teaching practices
- Teachers receive ongoing instructional support from school leader and high quality professional development in critical pedagogy, culturally responsive teaching and

content areas

### **STRATEGY 12 | Utilize and share data to improve classroom practices**

#### **KEY ELEMENTS**

- Review and use academic and supporting data to focus solutions with individual scholars and engage parents
- Implement quality assessment process that integrates feedback from scholars, parents/guardians, and staff members
- Engage in ongoing professional development in scholar-coaching, critical pedagogy and related areas (i.e., ACES, and tutoring/mentoring, etc.)

### **STRATEGY 13 | Support Academic Success**

#### **KEY ELEMENTS**

- Incorporate academic supports into the school day and during out-of-school time to foster accelerated learning among Scholars (i.e., tutoring, study groups and mentoring)
- Provide supports for social-emotional learning (i.e., counselor, coach, mindfulness activities, etc.)

### **Supplemental Supports for Skill Building in Reading & Mathematics**

*Implemented by various roles across NAZ, including Academic Specialist, OST programs, ReadingCorps, ReadingPartners, other programs contracted to do tutoring.*

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### **STRATEGY 14 | Develop and implement academic strategies that promote accelerated learning and grade-level achievement**

#### **KEY ELEMENTS**

- Utilize reading and mathematics curricula that align with Anchor Schools (i.e., IXL, First in Math, Lexia) and best practices
  - Facilitate progress monitoring using shared assessment tools (i.e., aReading and CBM Math)
  - Incorporate coached independent reading
  - Develop academic interventions (tutoring, small group, progress reports) for scholars who are more than one year below grade level in reading and mathematics
  - Provide supplemental activities that provide continuous opportunities for growth (i.e., math games, tutoring, etc.)
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## Utilize Behavioral Health Framework

### STRATEGY 15 | Use resources to support the social-emotional needs of scholars

#### KEY ELEMENTS

- Partners and NAZ staff use skills based on core modalities (MI, empowerment, trauma-informed care) to engage scholars and families
- Partners use scholar-coaching and NAZ Connect to provide resources and set goals
- Partners engage with NAZ behavioral health staff and community partners (i.e., Washburn Child Guidance Center) to support social-emotional needs