

# **WASC/CDE Visiting Committee Final Presentation**

Palisades Charter High School April 16-18, 2012





## Focus on Learning asks...

- ✓ How do you know that all students are achieving based on our schoolwide student goals and academic standards?
- ✓ Is the school doing everything possible to support high achievement for all its students?





## Organization: Vision and Purpose, Governance, Leadership and Staff, and Resources

#### **Areas to Celebrate**

- Reflection and revision of the school mission
- ✓ Governance policies
- **✓ Teacher evaluation process**
- ✓ Stakeholder involvement in budget process
- ✓ Conservative with resources
- √ Communication

- ✓ Facility safety issues
- **✓ Facility Modernization**
- ✓ Continue to coordinate professional development





## Curriculum

#### **Areas to Celebrate**

- ✓ Diverse Course Offerings meet the needs of the whole child
- ✓ Research based PLC model
- ✓ Standards and ESLRs based curricula

- ✓ Design focused Professional Development Plan
- ✓ Support classes for lower performing subgroups
- ✓ Continued evaluation of graduation requirements





### Instruction

#### **Areas to Celebrate**

- Continually reflection on instructional delivery through PLCs
- Creation and implementation (through PLCs)
  of additional instructional opportunities
  (R&R, tutoring)
- ✓ PCHS provides many ways to coach their students through the learning process
- ✓ Teachers are very knowledgeable in their content area

- ✓ Consistency among PLCs
- ✓ Bell schedule to maximize PLC and PD collaboration time and instructional minutes
- ✓ Improved collaboration among SPED RSP and GE teachers
- More technology during classroom instruction
- **✓ Implementation of more student surveys**





## **Assessment and Accountability**

#### **Areas to Celebrate**

- Common assessments and pacing guides
- ✓ Tutorial support
- **✓** Implementation of Mastery Manager

- ✓ Continued development of benchmark assessments
- ✓ Implementation of integrated data system
- Consistent grading policies among departments
- ✓ Update or replace SIS
- ✓ Agreed rubric alignment





## School Culture and Support for Student Personal and Academic Growth

#### **Areas to Celebrate**

- ✓ All stakeholders express strong pride in PCHS
- ✓ Parents and students involved in all levels of school operations
- ✓ Well-organized communications that reach all parents
- ✓ Wide range of emotional, academic, health support services
- ✓ Teacher-led support groups for underperforming groups

#### **Areas for Focus**

✓ More opportunities for bilingual parents to participate in meetings





## **Celebrate Schoolwide Strengths**



- ✓ Students, staff, and parents express strong pride in and appreciation for PCHS
- High level and frequency of communication
- Support for underperforming student groups.
- ✓ Diverse course offerings meet the needs of the whole child.
- ✓ Continuous reflection and revision
- ✓ PLCs
- ✓ Accessible tutorial
- ✓ Counseling Office and Health
- ✓ Standards and ELSRs are embedded within the curriculum.
- ✓ A wide range of student clubs



### **Critical Areas for Focus**

- ✓ A bell schedule that allows for more PLC and Professional Development collaborative time and to maximize instructional minutes.
- ✓ Implement the facility modernization Master Plan,
- ✓ Fully develop all PLCs
- ✓ Implement a current, integrated data system
- Develop and implement a coordinated professional development program
- ✓ Develop a comprehensive teacher evaluation
- ✓ Develop and implement a clear systemic schoolwide model of response to intervention



## **Schoolwide Action Plan**



## Visualize what will be different for students....

- ✓ One year from now?
- ✓ Two years from now?
- ✓ Three years from now?