



Township High School District 211 Community Connections: A Quarterly Update of the Strategic Plan

October 2017

District 211's Student Readiness Plan

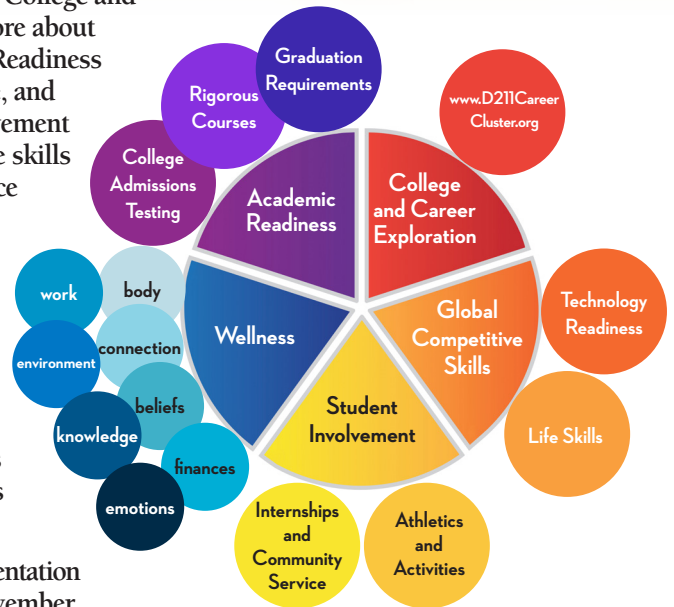
Preparing students for life after high school is a priority for High School District 211. Through the recent community engagement process, five components of student readiness were identified: academic readiness, college and career exploration, involvement, global competitive skills, and wellness.

Academic readiness pertains to traditional measures of student performance, including Grade Point Average (GPA), credits earned, and standardized test scores. College and career exploration connects students to activities that help them learn more about their interests as they determine their post-high school destination. The Readiness Plan accounts for college-bound students, those pursuing military service, and those entering the workforce after high school graduation. Student involvement includes recognition of in- and out-of-school activities. Global competitive skills refer to workplace skills employers have indicated as critical for workplace success. These include attitude and professionalism, initiative and work ethic and communication. Finally, wellness accounts for students' physical and social-emotional well-being.

Specific goals within each readiness component help students gauge their status throughout high school. Each component includes multiple resources to assist students in navigating the Readiness Plan and understanding goal areas. Ultimately, the student is the author of an individualized plan. School counselors will have access to students' plans and will provide guidance and direction, as plans are determined. Parents and teachers also can view plans.

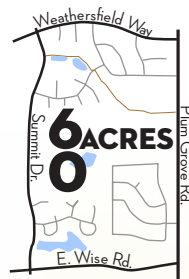
A Student Readiness Plan website is currently in development. Pilot implementation with a select group of students at each high school will begin in early November. The Readiness Plan will be available to all students at the start of the 2018-2019 school year.

5 Key Components of Student Readiness: How to Keep Track of It?



Board to continue discussing optimized use of 60+ acres in October

Over the past year, District 211 has taken numerous steps to seek input about potential ways to optimize the value of its 60-acre undeveloped property located between Plum Grove and Summit Roads in Schaumburg that was originally purchased for a sixth high school site in the 1960s. The Board of Education established a priority within the Strategic Plan to optimize the 60-acre asset. After collecting over 1,400 public suggestions as to what the Board could do with the land, the ideas were



sorted into four categories: 1) retain the land as it is; 2) lease the land; 3) develop the land for District use; or 4) sell the land. The property consists of 62 acres, and according to feasibility study results, approximately 40 acres are usable after accounting for statutory property setbacks and existing wetlands.

At its October 19 meeting, the Board may determine the next steps it will take surrounding these options.

Community Education update

As an extension of High School District 211's continued commitment to community outreach, the District is proud to offer Community Education sessions designed to help promote student and community wellness.

Partnering with local agencies and organizations, sessions have already been conducted this school year on District 211's Grading Improvements and Concussion Awareness. A second session on Concussion Awareness is scheduled for December 7, 2017, beginning at 6:00 p.m. in the Schaumburg High School auditorium. Later this fall, a Community Education session will focus on Healthy Sleep Habits and Mental Health. In the spring, District staff will discuss Career Pathways, in addition to an Internet Safety session.



Additional information, including session dates and times, will be available on the District and school websites. High School District 211 continues to build upon community partnerships and is dedicated to providing valuable information and resources to parents, students, and communities served.

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