

Maine East High School
School Improvement Plan
2008-2009

Goal 1: Literacy: Reading - To improve student performance in the area of reading by developing programs specific for students struggling in reading and by developing professional development programs to increase the teaching of reading in the building.

- Faculty sharing of reading strategies during collaboration days.
- Provide a support program through the Integrated Literacy Program to provide more deliberate instruction in the area of reading.
- Provide Guided Study for students with multiple failures.
- Data Literacy - Work with staff to further understand and use information from National and institutional tests in regards to students reading levels.
- All school summer reading initiative.
- Develop testing strategies for students across the curriculum.

Goal 2: Numeracy: To improve student performance in the areas of math and science.

- Science Explorations, a laboratory based science class, for low achieving ESL and Special Education students.
- Guided study for students with multiple failures.
- Extended Algebra I to support low achieving Freshman math students.
- Provide a support program through Integrated Literacy Program to provide more deliberate instruction in the area of mathematics.
- Data Literacy - Work with staff to further understand and use information from National and institutional tests in regards to computational skills and data analysis.
- Math resource center – staffed by math= teachers to provide support for students struggling in math.
- Develop a co-taught math/special education course.

Goal 3: Provide challenging experiences and support for the talented and gifted students.

- Expanded the gifted Lyceum program to Senior level students.
- Provide some financial support to Top 15% sophomores to enroll in PSAT/NMSQT preparation course.
- Develop a system of support for teachers of gifted and talented students.

Goal 4: Increase student, parent and community involvement/communications at Maine East.

- Students involvement through the Demon Nation initiative.
- Further develop the Principal's Newsletter
- Increase Participation in the Boosters
- Meet with parents at various times throughout the year
- Develop links to community organizations