



Washington Center School Strategic Plan

Quality Planning

All organizations need a vision. All organizations must *plan* for the vision, or the vision will never be realized.

A well-defined and well-executed school improvement effort begins with a comprehensive school wide strategic plan that provides a logical framework for clarifying and achieving the vision. The school plan includes: an *assessment* of where the school is today and what factors can be expected to influence it in the future; a *mission statement* describing the school's purpose and function; a *vision* that reflects the *values* and *beliefs* of the individuals who make up the organization; *long-range goals* that make the intents of the mission and vision tangible; an identification of *outcomes*; a plan for evaluation and continuous improvement; *an action plan* that identifies the procedural steps needed to implement the goals, including timelines, responsibility, accountability; and, an estimation of *budget needs* based on the action plan.