NORTH TONAWANDA HIGH SCHOOL School-Based Plans 2007-2008

DISTRICT FOCUS AREA: LEARNING & ACHIEVEMENT

GOAL #1 To achieve 90% passing rate on all local FACS final exams

OBJECTIVES/ OUTCOMES	ACTION PLANS/STRATEGIES	TIME/PERSON RESPONSIBLE	HOW ACTIONS WILL BE MONITORED, EVALUATED	PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT
1a. To provide students with greater opportunities to engage in higher order and critical thinking skills, to improve their ability to apply, interpret, evaluate, and synthesize info. Verbally and in writing.	Connect student work to real life applications and current events, to promote problem solving and collaboration. Examples of projects include: *clothing construction projects that require interpretation of pattern guidesheet instructions *budgeting projects that simulate purchase of a car, apartment, food, clothing, utilities etc. *interpretation of recipes to construct a shopping list and lab plan	Ongoing discussions at monthly meetings FACS teachers	Item analysis of Jan. 2008 and June 2008 final exams to assess areas of weakness Calculate the passing rate on local FACS exams WE HAVE CALCULATED % PASSING RATE FOR JANUARY 2008 EXAMS	None required
1b. To enable students in all content areas to improve their written use of detailed info. From a variety of sources to support a claim, thesis, or controlling idea, utilizing evidence and interpretation. To provide students with opportunities to	Develop independent skills for complex research Examples of projects include: *internet research on congenital birth defects			

engage in written reflection.	*internet research of architectural housing styles		
	nousing styles		
	*internet and library research on fashion trends of various decades		
	*researching ethnic foods and		
	creating power point presentations		
1c. To improve			
students ability to gain	Examples of projects include:		
info. From reading, to identify main ideas	*reading & responding to textbook		
and to apply	questions & worksheets		
knowledge and skills	*reading information & presenting it		
acquired through a variety of texts,	*reading information & presenting it in a poster format		
literature, non fiction			
primary source	ALL OF THESE STRATEGIES		
documents, and media.	(AND MORE) ARE CURRENTLY IN USE		

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DISTRICT FOCUS AREA: TRANSITIONS

GOAL #2 To align FACS courses with newly updated SED curriculum

OBJECTIVES/	ACTION PLANS/STRATEGIES	TIME/PERSON	HOW ACTIONS WILL BE	PROFESSIONAL			
OUTCOMES To align the FACS core courses with the newly updated SED curriculum	To review our current FACS core courses curriculum guides To review the new FACS core curriculum updates published on the NYSED web site	RESPONSIBLE Ongoing at monthly meetings to be completed before Sept. 2008/FACS teachers	MONITORED, EVALUATED Previously written curriculum maps for FACS will be updated to reflect the changes by Sept. 2008	DEVELOPMENT Dept. coordinator has received basic training in curriculum mapping			
	To adjust our FACS core courses curriculum guides to reflect the new updates HS FACS TEACHERS HAVE RECEIVED HARD COPIES OF THE SED CORE COURSE UPDATES	WE ARE IN THE PROCESS OF COMPARING OUR FACS CORE COURSE CURRICULUM WITH THE UPDATES AND MAKING ADJUSTMENTS					