



To assist our partners and the Stamford community as a whole to better understand our 2014 focus, including legislative priorities, we are pleased to provide the following outline:

I. ADVOCACY

Highlight the persistent achievement gap; engage, educate and raise community expectations for our public school system; assess and promote effective resources; and demand measurable and achievable results.

Examples - Success Symposia, op-eds, social media, production of student videos and a new website to be launched in the 2nd quarter

II. STUDENT SUPPORT SERVICES

Promote additional student supports, including reduced student to guidance counselor ratios; high quality weekend and summer programs such as intensive tutoring, summer enrichment, and high school summer bridge initiatives; high-speed internet access for all Stamford Public Schools; and maximization of new technologies for teaching and learning.

Example - At The Beach and In The Sea, a summer enrichment program in collaboration with SoundWaters

III. FAMILY SUPPORT & ENGAGEMENT

Promote additional quality family support services to increase family engagement and encourage parents to fully access the services of the Stamford Public Schools.

Example - Parents for the Educational Achievement of Kids (PEAK), teaching district parents how to effectively advocate for their children

Supporting programs in our community that are having a sustainable and demonstrable impact on the achievement gap.