



Graduation Requirements Committee

December Update
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PSD Graduation Requirements Committee Works on Definition, Reviews Planning Tools

On December 11, the Poudre School District Graduation Requirements Committee met to work on creating a definition for post-secondary and workforce readiness and to review a Web-based program that helps students prepare for college.

Work to Create Definitions

The committee reviewed the Colorado Department of Education draft definitions of post-secondary and workforce readiness and asked the following questions:

1. What do we like about the drafts?
2. What do we not like about the drafts?
3. What is missing?

The committee will continue to work on the definitions and have the Chamber of Commerce/PSD Business Education Council give feedback from the business and community perspective. The Board of Education Ends Policy continues to help drive this aspect of the committee's work.

Review of Naviance

The committee has been reviewing programs and tools available to help students prepare for college. In October, they reviewed information from College in Colorado and this month they reviewed a program called Naviance. These programs can assist students in creating career and academic plans.

The Naviance tool offers students and families the ability to collect and review information on:

- Colleges and universities
- College comparisons
- Scholarships
- High school planning
- Post-secondary planning
- Student tracking tools
- Data on where students are going to school
- Survey tools
- ACT test preparation
- High school course selections

The next meeting will be held from 4-6 pm, on January 15, at the Johannsen Support Service Complex, Board Room, 2407 LaPorte Avenue, Fort Collins.