



BASD Empower

The BASD will provide a learner-centered educational program that makes each graduate career & college ready.

The Seven BASD Empower Strategies, K-12

1. **Adopt a Broader Aim**—The aim of the *BASD Empower* is to produce self-directed learners who can apply the vital skills of critical thinking, communication, collaboration, creativity, and citizenship (**the 5 Cs**) to produce authentic work that addresses public needs.
2. **Provide Rich Curriculum, Assessment, and Instruction**—BASD educational programs will enumerate competencies, explicitly instruct and formatively assess enabling skills, and provide meaningful feedback to all students. Also, BASD educational programs will employ inquiry frameworks in all disciplines, and establish opportunities for all students to “create real work for real audiences.”
3. **Support Digital Citizenship** - All BASD students will think critically, behave safely and participate responsibly online.
4. **Facilitate Teacher Development**—Professional learning in the BASD will be competency-based, personalized, blended, and job-embedded.
5. **Provide Parent Guidance**—BASD parents will receive guidance regarding learning opportunities, safe navigation, and screen time—emphasizing that technology is an amplifier and can accelerate the development of 21st-century skills or can be unproductive (or even dangerous).
6. **Establish Home Access to Close the “Homework Gap”**—The BASD will enable home connectivity to provide equitable learning opportunities for all students. BASD students will not be reliant upon connectivity beyond school and home.
7. **Provide 1:1 Take-Home Technology**—By September 2020, all BASD students have their own district-provided computing device to access blended, anywhere, anytime learning resources.