

# 2010-11 Lincoln Public Schools Lincoln Budget Board Presentation

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# Vision

- Be a nationally recognized, world class school district within the next 5 years
- Be a leading school district in RI within 3 years
- Create a learning community comprised of parents, community and business stakeholders

# Pursuing the Vision

## Leadership

Role of the School Committee

Role of the Superintendent

Role of the Administrators

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## Mission Statement

The Lincoln Public School District, an educational system with a tradition for excellence, challenged by growth and diversity, is dedicated to building a partnership among home, school, and community.

We provide educational opportunity through standards-based curriculum and high quality instruction so that all students can learn the skills needed to be productive citizens in a global society.

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## School Committee

- Ongoing commitment in providing:
  - Strong policies for continuous improvement in student achievement
  - Hiring, training & keeping well qualified personnel
  - Consistent & responsible funding

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## Superintendent's Beliefs Statement

*"I am so proud to be part of an educational community that is committed to meeting the needs of all students. The Lincoln School District is second to none with a visionary leadership team, highly educated professional staff, dedicated support staff, talented students and a supportive community. All of these factors contribute to Lincoln's success as a premiere school department. Therefore, it is my quest to attain new heights in the Rhode Island educational community and eventually in the nation, by implementing exemplary programs and initiatives which will result in increased student achievement and educational excellence as evidenced in the following presentation."*

**Georgia Fortunato**  
**Superintendent of Schools**

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## Superintendent of Schools

- Lead by example
- Strong work ethic, high standards, commitment to excellence
- Belief that every child can succeed academically
- Recruit & hire the best administrators
- Empower administrators
- Goals

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## Superintendent of Schools

### GOALS

- Improve student achievement district wide
- Enhance home-school communication

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## **Administrators**

- Effectively supervise personnel
- Recruit and evaluate highly qualified teaching staff
- Meaningful professional development
- School Improvement Plans
- Home/School Partnerships
- Personalization

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Tools

# Tools

- ✓ **Strategic Plan**
- ✓ **Basic Education Plan (BEP)**
- ✓ **Best Practice**
- ✓ **Benchmarks**
- ✓ **Evaluations**
- ✓ **Annual Budget**
- ✓ **Union Relations**

# Tools

- ✓ **Strategic Plan**
  - 1. High Quality Assessments**
  - 2. Integration of technology into the curriculum**
  - 3. Home/School/Community partnership**
  - 4. Full day kindergarten**

# Tools

## ✓ **Basic Education Plan**

**Effective July 1, 2010**

**Ensures highly effective teachers**

**Teacher assignments based upon student need, not seniority**

**Prioritizes**

**Educator Excellence**

**Acceleration towards greatness**

**World class standards & assessments**

**User friendly data systems**

**Invest resources wisely**

# Tools

✓ **Best Practice**

**1. Standards Based Instruction**

**2. Professional Development**

# Tools

## ✓ **Benchmarks**

- 1. Quarterly assessments –  
progress monitoring**
- 2. State/National standards**

# Tools

## ✓ Evaluations

### **Lincoln's Evaluation Tool:**

- aligned to state guidelines**
- improved teacher effectiveness**

# Tools

## ✓ Annual Budget

- Funding for high quality assessments
- Funding for meaningful professional development
- Funding for strategic plan
- Funding for individual school improvement plans

# Tools

- ✓ **Union Relations**
  - **Collaboration is critical**
  - **Labor/ Management cannot move forward without mutual cooperation**

# Summary

**Mission statement, strategic plan, superintendent's goals provide the vision**

**School improvement plans, BEP, best practice, benchmarks, evaluations and assessments keep us on the path**

**Budget provides the resources to accomplish the goals**