

**Eastern Suffolk BOCES**

**Strategic Action Plan VI.A: Researching, Improving Programs/Services, and Advocating for the Region**

**ADDRESSES BOCES GOAL(S):**

- I. High Standards for Student Achievement
- II. Staff Development
- III. Shared Services
- IV. Program and Services Availability
- V. Cost-Effectiveness, Quality Management, and Operational Efficiency
- VI. Technology
- VII. Strategic Planning
- VIII. Health, Safety, Security, and Space
- IX. Public Information
- X. Internal Communications
- XII. Research, Program Improvement and Regional Advocacy

**RESPONSIBLE ADMINISTRATOR:**

Chief Operating Officer  
Assistant Superintendent, Human Resources

**COLLABORATOR(S):**

Director, Planning and Program Improvement  
Director, Communications, Research and Recruitment  
Program Administrator, Regional Grant Services  
Research Analyst  
Administrative Council

**STRATEGIC PLANNING STRATEGY:**

By July 2016, Eastern Suffolk BOCES will continue to improve its capacity for research, program/service improvement, and regional advocacy through: 1) strategic planning; 2) the Middle States Association Accreditation for Growth (AFG) process; 3) the availability of data for data-driven decision-making; 4) facilitative grants management; and 5) advocacy activities.

<b>ACTIVITIES</b>	<b>Target Date for Completion</b>	<b>Responsible Person/Group</b>	<b>Status/Outcome</b> <i>(include dates - mm/dd/yy)</i>
1. Facilitate strategic planning activities throughout Eastern Suffolk BOCES <i>(See Related Operational Action Plan VI.B)</i>	Ongoing through 2016	Dir., Planning & Program Imprvmt	
2. Facilitate the AFG activities leading to continued accreditation and re-accreditation for 2016-2023 of ESBOCES <i>(See Related Operational Action Plan VI.C)</i>	Ongoing through 2016	Dir., Planning & Program Imprvmt	
3. Establish the Office of Research as a provider of data for data-driven decision-making, both on the agency and regional level. <i>(See Related Operational Action Plan VI.D)</i>	Ongoing through 2016	Dir., Comm., Research, & Recruit. Dir., Planning & Program Imprvmt. Research Analyst	

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<b>4.</b> Facilitate the ESBOCES grants management process <i>(See Related Operational Action Plan VI.E)</i>	Ongoing through 2016	Dir., Planning & Program Imprvmt. Prog.Admin., Regional Grants Mgmt	
<b>5.</b> Facilitate advocacy activities and provide regular reports to the Board and ESBOCES community at large. <i>(See Related Operational Action Plan VI.F)</i>	Ongoing through 2016	Cabinet Dir., Planning & Program Imprvmt. Dir., Comm., Research, & Recruit. Prog.Admin., Regional Grants Mgmt	

**RESOURCES REQUIRED:**

- Planning and Program Improvement Office personnel and operating expenses
- Budget resources to cover expenses associated with Middle States AFG accreditation and validation activities

**POSSIBLE SOURCES OF FUNDING:**

- Integrated into the administrative and program budgets
- Special funds related to program improvement initiatives

**BASELINE DATA:**

**1) Measurement A. Strategic Planning**

Baseline Year: 2008

Baseline Data:

- Established ESBOCES strategic planning process is being followed agency wide
- Strategic plan is in place and being used, the plan for 2008-2009 has been finalized
- A new plan for 2009-2016 is being developed

2016 Projection

- 2015-2016 Strategic Plan will be finalized
- A new long-range plan for 2016-2023 will be developed

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#### 2) Measurement B. Middle States Association Accreditation for Growth process

Baseline Year: 2008

Baseline Data:

- Agency is preparing for the Re-Accreditation in December, 2008

2016 Projection: The agency will:

- Have received its re-accreditation in 2008-2009
- Have had a successful mid-point review
- Be preparing for another re-accreditation visit in 2015-2016

#### 3) Measurement C. Availability of Data for data-driven decision-making

Baseline Year: 2008

Baseline Data: The following data sources are available for decision-making:

- Results of Co-Ser Surveys, Facilities Surveys, Middle States Surveys
- eSchool data
- RIC data
- NYSED data
- Federal data
- Other outside data sources

2016 Projection

- All data sources will be available to decision-makers based on needs
- Decisions will be based on appropriate data sources

#### 4) Measurement D. Facilitative Grants Management

Baseline Year: 2008

Baseline Data:

- \$32 million of specially funded projects
- Four NY Initiatives Group meetings
- Briefing Book on Specially Funded Projects and Funded project listing on-line and available to administrators (annually)

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#### 2016 Projection

- \$52 million of specially funded projects
- 6-8 Regional Initiatives meetings
- An appealing, designed Briefing Book and a Specially Funded Project List on-line and available to staff

#### **5) Measurement E. Advocacy Activities**

Baseline Year: 2008

Baseline Data:

- 20 Advocacy Activities i.e.:
  - Lobby Day in Albany
  - Legislative Breakfast
  - Advocacy Training Session
  - One Executive Briefing
  - PTA dinner
  - LIA participation
  - Report Briefings to Region

#### 2016 Projection

- Expanded advocacy activities (40) will be coordinated through the Cabinet and communicated through the Communications Office to internal and external stakeholders 6-8 Regional Initiatives meetings

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