

College, Career, Life Ready Update

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Making a Shift

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The Ford NGL Framework

A Community-Connected Transformation Model for Students

Transforming Teaching & Learning

Career-Focused Academics
Work-based learning
Learning & work pathways
Credit opportunities
Student voice & leadership

Transforming the Culture, Systems, & Structures of Schools

Teacher teams
Professional development
Family engagement
Systems & structures to support workplace learning
Supportive policies & practices
Data systems

Transforming Partnerships Between the Schools & Community

Governance Systems & Structures
Community learning resources
Align workforce demand & district programs
Shared ownership & accountability
Communications & marketing

OUR PRINCIPLES. EQUITY. STUDENT VOICE. COMMUNITY CONNECTED APPROACH. PASSION. INNOVATION.



THE FORD NGL ROADMAP

PHASE 5: GO FURTHER

1. Deepen the implementation of the systems, structures, processes, and competencies to support and sustain continuous improvement including an intentional focus on distributed leadership and succession planning.
2. Create and share innovations that will support the entire Ford NGL Network.

PHASE 3: PLAN

1. Achieve community-wide consensus on and ownership of a vision for transformation and learn what it will take to implement the vision.
2. Create a community-wide three year master plan for achieving the vision that is aligned with the school district's plans.
3. Agree on a set of priorities for the first year of implementation.
4. Strengthen the systems, structures, processes, and competencies needed to implement the plan and guide continuous improvement.

PHASE 1: EXPLORE

1. Understand the benefits and features of transforming the secondary school experience using the Ford NGL community-driven approach.
2. Readiness and commitment to embrace the Ford NGL transformation.

PHASE 4: IMPLEMENT

1. Strengthen community-wide capacity to implement and continuously improve the educational system.
2. Implement the systems, structures, processes, and competencies to support and sustain continuous improvement with all key individuals and groups engaged.
3. Inspire, share, and contribute to the Ford NGL Network.

PHASE 2: ENVISION

1. Deepen community-wide understanding of the benefits and features of transforming the secondary school experience using a community-driven approach.
2. Understand and develop the systems, structures, processes, and leadership needed to implement the plan and guide continuous improvement.
3. Deepen community-wide commitment to embrace the Ford NGL model for transformation.



Business and Community Engagement Opportunities

PHASE 2: ENVISION

- Designate the Convening Organization and determine roles
- Strategic partners to determine governance structure
- Research the workforce and industry trends and compile to determine targeted industries (regional/local)
- Actively participate in “The Why” and “Portrait of a Graduate” Sessions
- Develop communication partners (marketing, design, communication strategy)
- Act as Academy business ambassadors (attend rotaries, provide updates on progress, needs, etc.)



Business and Community Engagement Opportunities

PHASE 3: PLAN

- Convene Steering Committee meetings and community Master Planning
- Strategic thought partners and partner in shared accountability
- Attend Master Plan meetings; ensure representation from all targeted industries
- Co-chair and/actively engage in tactical teamwork and plan writing
- Review curriculum standards and align to workforce relevancy
- Assess classrooms and lab spaces; make recommendations based on industry standards and desired learning outcomes
- Participate on the Ford NGL Designation Planning Team



Community-Connected Approach Stakeholder Diversity

School District Leadership (Supt,
Cabinet/Directors, CTE Director)

Business partners/employers

Workforce Board / Workforce
Development

School Board Members

Postsecondary Institution Leaders

Education Foundation

School Building Leaders
(Principals, APs, Deans)

Faith-based Organizations
(sometimes)

Elected Officials

Teachers, Counselors, CTE
Coordinators, Staff Members

Foundations & Philanthropy
(sometimes)

District Employee Unions

Students

Chamber of Commerce

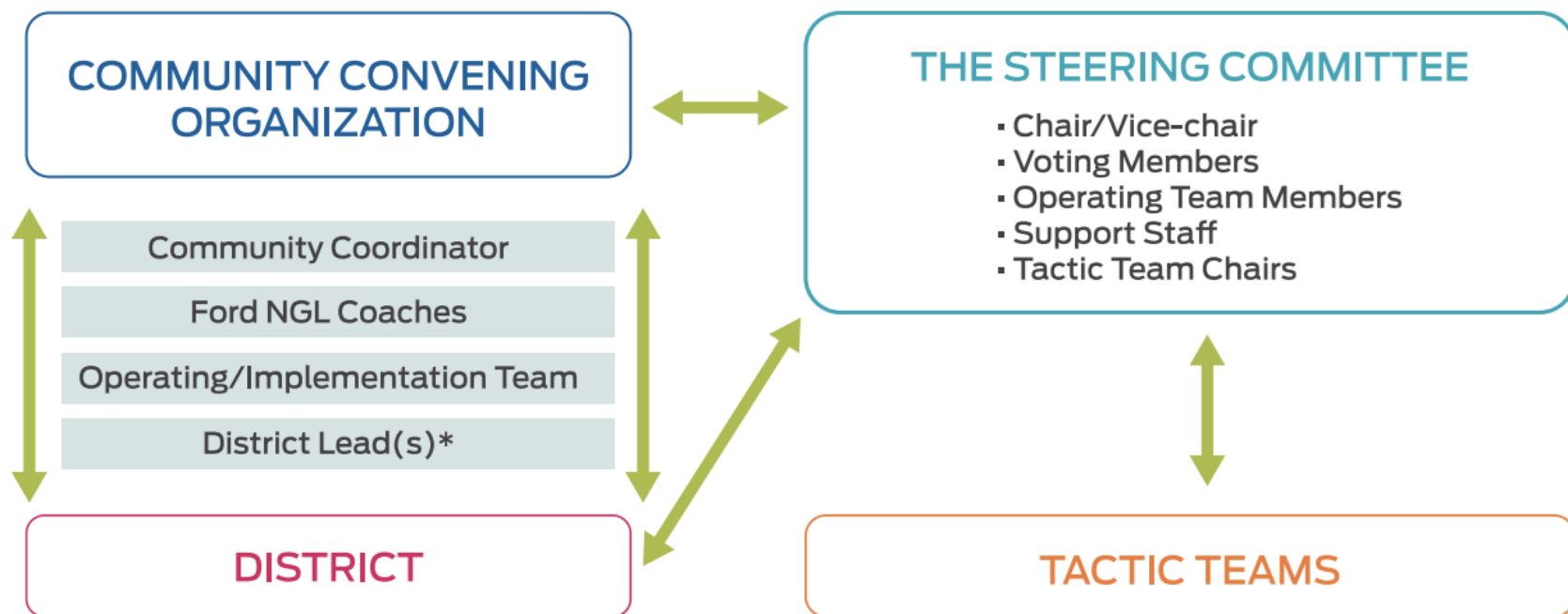
Communications Role

Parents

Economic Development Council

Role leading/overseeing equity
work

Governance Structure & Roles



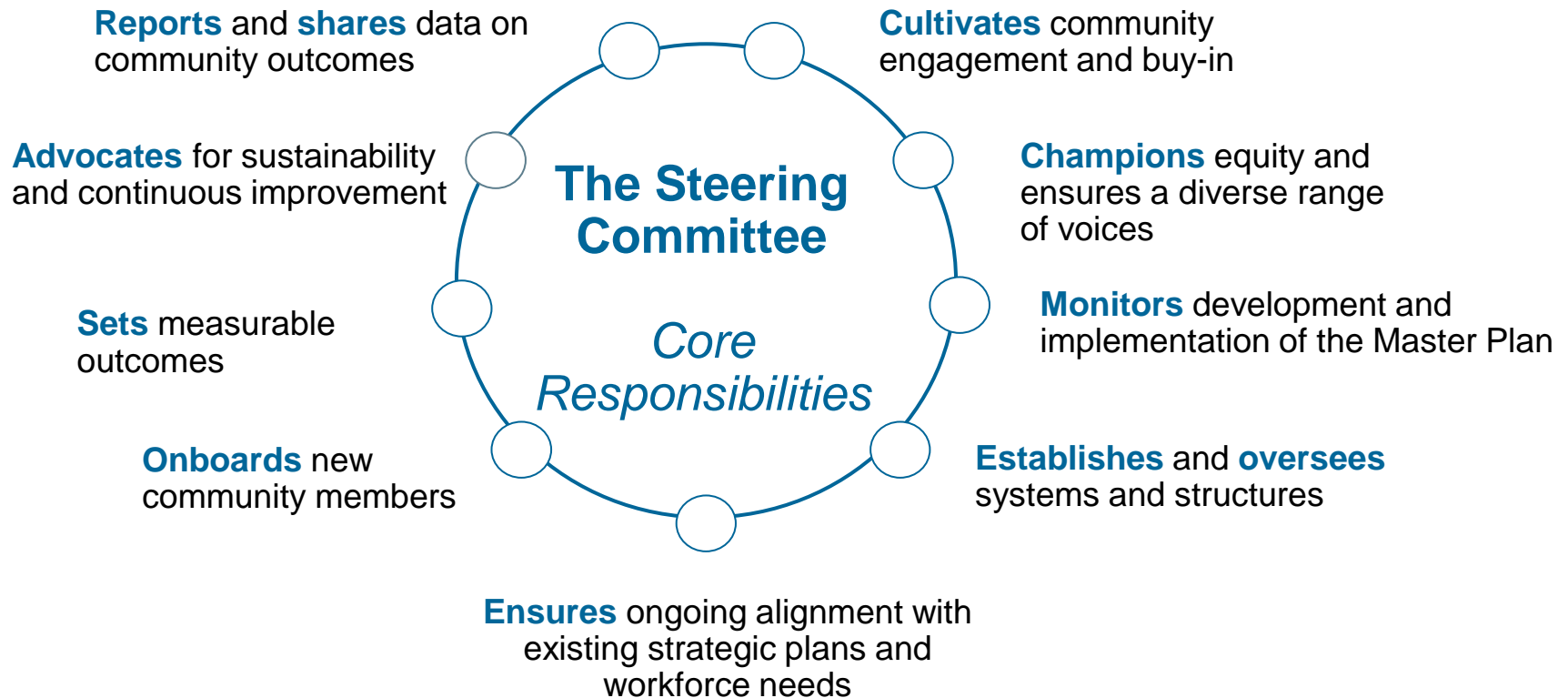
*One District Lead per participating district



The Steering Committee

- Primary advocate for the transformation initiative
- Mobilizes the community behind the transformation





Steering Committee Members

Chair, Vice Chair, Support Staff, Members (selected from the following groups)

Community Convening Organization <i>Staff</i>	School District Leaders <i>Superintendent Chief Academic Officer Director of Transformation</i>	Employer Partners <i>Champions from Targeted Industries</i>	Students and Alumni
Workforce Development <i>Director and/or Staff</i>	Secondary Educators <i>Curriculum Director CTE Executive Director High School Principal(s) Teacher(s)</i>	Community Organizations	School Board Member(s)
Post-secondary <i>Provost or other High-level Administrator</i>	Parents	Chamber of Commerce	Teachers Union Representative(s)
Government Partners <i>County and/or City</i>			



Community Convening Organization

Purpose

- Supports the overall structure for the transformation process
- Advocates for the shared community vision, shared accountability, and equity
- Provides viable and visible leadership, guidance, and oversight throughout the phases of the Ford NGL Roadmap

Core Responsibilities

- **Serves** as a neutral convener in the community
- **Supports** inter-agency collaboration
- **Assists** with business and community development
- **Advises and helps** secure resources for the Ford NGL transformation
- **Advocates** and deepens community engagement

District

Purpose

- Supports schools as the primary community sites for deep transformation
- Advocates for the shared community vision, shared accountability, and equity
- Provides viable and visible leadership, guidance, and oversight throughout the phases of the Ford NGL Roadmap

Core Responsibilities

- **Advocates** for students, educators, and parents
- **Ensures** training and professional development for staff
- **Ensures** equitable representation of voices throughout the transformation process
- **Opens** doors to business and community partnerships
- **Helps** secure resources for the Ford NGL transformation

CCL Team

Purpose

- Supports, champions, and carries out the day-to-day work of the transformation process

Core Responsibilities

- **Works** closely with the Ford NGL Coaches, Community Coordinator, and District Lead(s)
- **Addresses** action items identified throughout the process
- **Supports** the convening organization, district, and tactical teams
- **Supports** logistics for community events
- **Identifies** challenges and proactively addresses them



READY FOR COLLEGE. CAREER. LIFE.





PORTRAIT of a **GRADUATE**

- ✓ October 12, 2023
- ✓ **Community Convening**
- ✓ Purpose: Beginnings of Career Academy Discussion

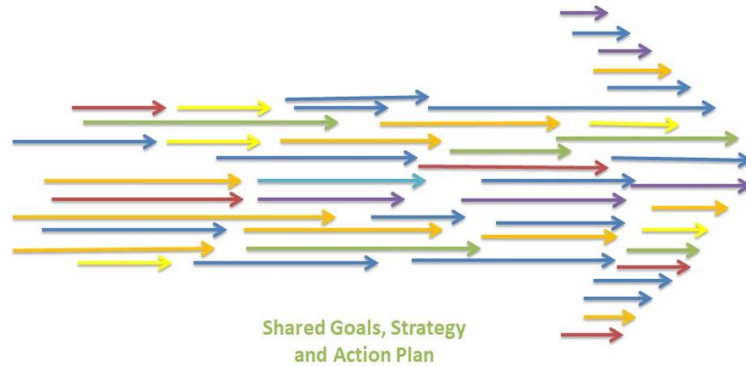


How will we achieve the CCL transformation?

Pockets of Excellence	Impact With Alignment	Collective Impact
		



Collective Impact



Academies



WHAT IS AN ACADEMY?

SMALL
PERSONALIZED
ENVIRONMENT

PARTNER WITH
BUSINESSES

APPLIED LEARNING
OPPORTUNITIES

RIGOROUS

COLLEGE & CAREER

21st CENTURY SKILLS

- CULTURE OF TEAMWORK
- CRITICAL THINKING
- COMMUNICATIONS
- COLLABORATION
- CREATIVITY

ACADEMY TEAM STRUCTURE



- ✓ Teachers have common planning
- ✓ Students are cohort scheduled
- ✓ Scheduling is intentional
- ✓ Business and civic engagement



DETERMINING ACADEMIES

- WORKFORCE PROJECTIONS
- CURRENT RESOURCES
- POSSIBLE COMMUNITY PARTNERS
- STUDENT SURVEY
- GENDER TRENDS
- PATHWAY SEQUENCE



ACADEMIES AND PATHWAYS

BUCHTEL	EAST	ELLET	FIRESTONE	GARFIELD	NORTH	NIHF STEM
Freshman Academy	Freshman Academy	Freshman Academy	Freshman Academy	Freshman Academy	Freshman Academy	Freshman Academy
Huntington Academy of Global Industry and Design Aesthetics & Cosmetology Commercial & Residential Construction & Masonry Entrepreneurship, Business & Marketing	Bridgestone Academy of Applied Engineering and Technology Automotive Technology Electrical Engineering IT Interactive Media Welding Technology	Goodyear Academy of Applied Engineering Automotive Technology Construction PLTW Engineering	Kent State University Academy of Advanced Technology and Engineering Digital Science Mechatronics PLTW Aerospace	FirstEnergy Academy of Emerging Technology and Design Advanced Manufacturing Business Management Energy & Environmental Protection Engineering Technology Information Technology	Akron Children's Hospital Academy of Health and Human Services Allied Health Early Childhood Education Healthcare Operations PLTW Biomedical Science	Goodyear Academy of Advanced Technology and Design Biotechnology Cybersecurity & Network Defense PLTW Environmental Engineering
Summa Health Academy of Leadership and Innovation Computer Programming & Software Development Culinary Careers Education Professions & Leadership Sports Medicine & Health Care Professions	KeyBank Academy of Business and Health Services Business & Entrepreneurship Business Hospitality Management Finance Healthcare	City of Akron Academy of Community Health and Safety Animal Studies Criminal Justice Fire Safety	Kent State University Academy of Design Entrepreneurship PLTW Architecture Product & Fashion Design Visual Art & Design	ACME Fresh Market Academy of Innovation and Industry Construction & Building Technology Culinary Arts Nursing & Patient Care	Academy of Global Technology and Business Entrepreneurship & Marketing Heating, Ventilation & Air Conditioning Technology (HVAC/R) IT Support & Services Programming & Software Development	Sister University The University of Akron
		Cuyahoga Valley National Park Academy of Global Marketing and Media Hospitality & Tourism IT Interactive Media Marketing	Kent State University Academy of Performing Arts Dance Instrumental Music Theatre Vocal Music	Sister College Stark State College	Sister University University of Mount Union	AKRON EARLY COLLEGE Freshman Academy Associate Degree in Arts Associate Degree in Science Sister University The University of Akron
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Charting a Path Forward

Plan for Implementation

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April 2022

Phase 1 assessment including interviews with districts, schools, & community stakeholders



Oct 2022-March 2023

Examining governing structure, roles, responsibilities, and engagement timeline
CCL Leadership Team identified.



Spring 2024

Professional development for Freshman Academy, teacher teaming, and onboard partners.



August 2024

Freshman Academy begins: teacher teaming; Academy Coach coordinating business engagement.



March 2023

Visit Metro Nashville's Career Academy Study Visit and Leadership Track.
Planning for Freshman Academies to open Fall 2024-25



May 2023

Onboarding key stakeholders and internal soft launch



October 2023

Identify stakeholders to Master Plan.
Portrait of Grad Phase 2 completed.



Dec 2023-Jan 2024

Academies: Review master plan/tactical implementation plans.
Freshman Academy finalized plans.
Pathways/academies proposed.



Nov 2023

(Tentative dates) Phase 3 begins.
Community FNGL master planning and Freshman Academy planning.
Steering Committee begins convening.



Fall 2025 - 2026

Academy implementation begins, Academies in 10-12 grade:
(One grade level per year)



Sustaining

Annual retreat held to track performance data and make recommendations for continuous improvement.





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Beginning with the Freshman Class in September 2020, the percentage of high school students graduating Life Ready as well as College and/or Career Ready will increase from a baseline of TBA% in Spring 2022 to 90% in Spring 2026.

