

# Lewis Central SIAC Committee

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# Feedback on Mission statement



***Inspiring Excellence***

# What is a vision statement

- ▣ What it looks like if we achieve it?
- ▣ What we want for our future?

# Drafting the Vision Statement

According to the Task Force on Developing Research in Educational Leadership (2003), "Effective educational leaders help their schools to develop or endorse visions that embody the best thinking about teaching and learning. School leaders inspire others to reach for ambitious goal."

Your school must have a vision that all staff members recognize as a common direction of growth, something that inspires them to be better. An effective vision also announces to parents and students where you are heading and why they should take the trip with you.

Without a vision, your school lacks direction. As the ancient Roman philosopher Seneca observed, "If a man knows not what harbor he seeks, any wind is the right wind." If you don't have a common, agreed-on destination, then everyone is left to his or her own devices to imagine one—a scenario that results in unharnessed and unfocused efforts, with everyone believing that what he or she is doing is right. **A common understanding of the destination allows all stakeholders to align their improvement efforts.** And the best part of planning for this journey is that it doesn't cost anything to decide where you want to go.

# Read articles

- ▣ Jot down key words and important phrases
- ▣ Share out key ideas from the article
- ▣ Vision reminder...What we want for our future?



# Examples of Vision statements

The Cumberland Valley School District, in collaboration with students, educators, parents and the community, is committed to developing 21st century learning and thinking skills through a rigorous, relevant, and comprehensive curriculum, while preparing students to be innovative, productive citizens in an interconnected world.

Catalina Foothills School District, a caring and collaborative learning community, ensures that each student achieves intellectual and personal excellence, and is well prepared for college and career pathways.

# Examples

The Portland Public Schools are responsible for ensuring a challenging, relevant, and joyful education that empowers every learner to make a difference in the world. We build relationships among families, educators, and the community to promote the healthy development and academic achievement of every learner.

The Buckeye Local School District unifies individuals, communities and resources to create a **WORLD CLASS LEARNING COMMUNITY** that gives **ALL** students the opportunity to be successful in **THEIR** future.

Working together as a community, we will inspire creativity and prepare each student to achieve academically, grow personally, and contribute positively to a global society.



# Examples

Our vision is that every student in every neighborhood will be engaged in a rigorous, well-rounded instructional program and will graduate prepared for success in college, career and life

The vision of Dayton Independent Schools is to be a proficient district. We are steadily closing in on that goal. The mission of Dayton Independent Schools is to Inspire, Engage, and Grow each of our Students.

Pacifica School District, the community it serves, and the children they cherish, together prepare each child to meet the challenges of the future by providing an equitable, rigorous academic program which nurtures curiosity and inspires joy, confidence, and achievement in learning

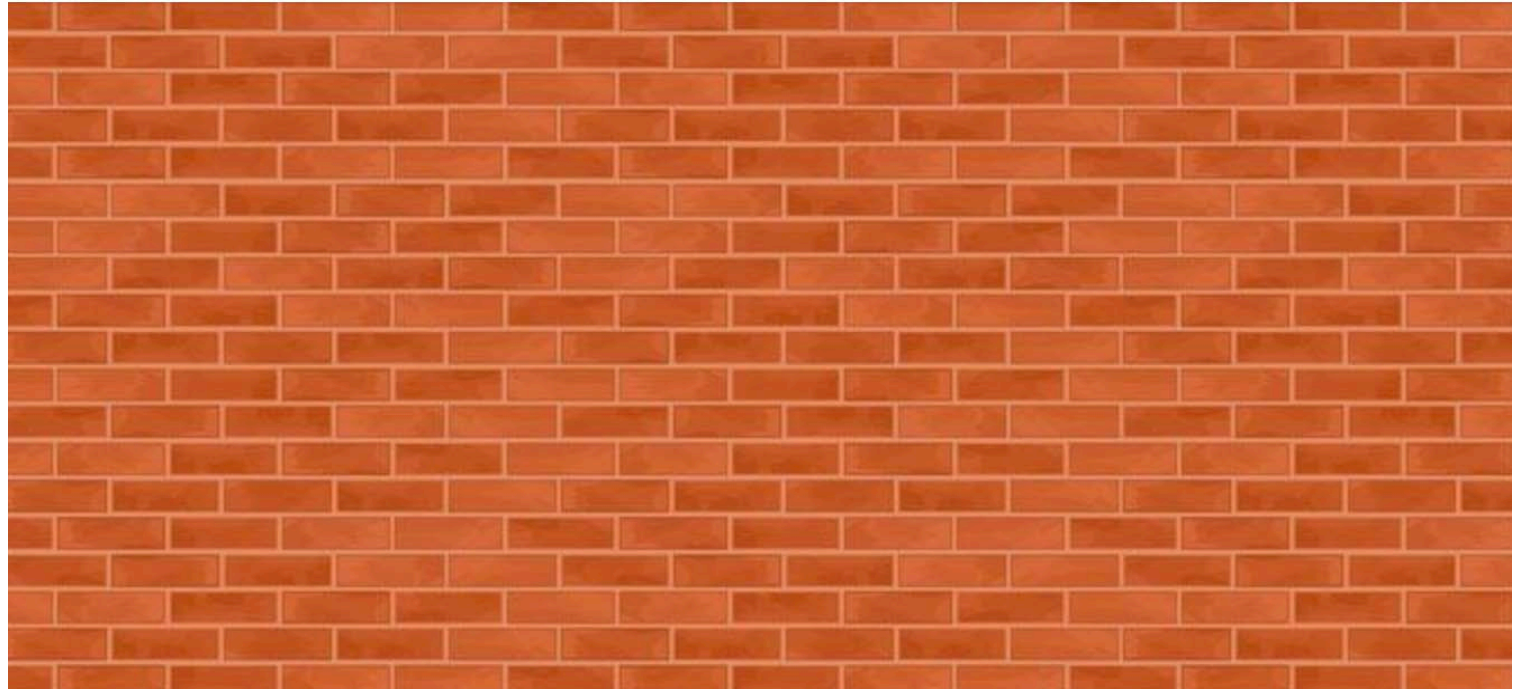
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## VISION STATEMENTS

Lewis Central School Improvement Advisory Committee.



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<https://padlet.com/tgrundmeyer/lewiscentralvision>

A vision of **students** today

What will it look like when  
you achieve it?

# Getting Feedback

- Talking Points
  - Process
  - Rationale
  - Feedback-What do you think it would look like if we achieved it?
- Informal
- Formal
- Next meeting-April 11 (6:00)