

GOAL: Improve Student Achievement
Strategy: (5) Focus on improving overall science curriculum

Major Activities	Staff	Resources	Timelines	Indicators of Success
Evaluate current "Foss" science program to determine if it is aligned with standards and meeting needs of students.	All Science Teachers & Administration	Foss program	Beginning October 2012	NJ ASK scores increased 10%
Articulate with high schools' science departments to clarify expectations.	Administration and middle school level staff	Release time; Common Core Standards	Beginning 2012-13 SY and annually thereafter	Aligned curriculum
Articulate vertically within BES (middle level science teachers to meet with elementary. Share what they are doing, expectations at the middle level	Middle school science staff with elementary staff	Professional leave time; substitute teachers	Beginning 2012-13 SY	Indication of scaffolded instruction
Clarify staff to teach Health instead of the Science teachers	Physical education teachers	Staff as needed	By September 2012	As assessed by CSA
Investigate using Science benchmark tests as evaluation tool for grades 3-8 to measure progress.	Administration /Staff	Time; Benchmark software	Beginning 2013-14 SY	NJ ASK scores



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