



Guiding Principles

Future Forward Ohio is driven by four guiding principles:

We believe in our students. We know students are resilient, and when provided the right supports and interventions, they flourish. We are operating with a sense of possibility.

We believe in partnership. Schools, families, higher education, business partners, nonprofits and others have rallied around students. Through collaboration and partnerships, we can continue surrounding Ohio's students with a system of support.

We believe the time is now. We know students who have fallen behind cannot afford to stay behind. We are operating with a sense of urgency.

We believe in learning and adapting. We are committed to continually learning what is working and improving. We will use data to guide decision-making and refine the work to better serve students.

Priorities

Future Forward Ohio is the state's plan to help students recover from the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic, with a focus on students who experienced the greatest disruptions to learning. Future Forward Ohio encompasses these strategic efforts:



Literacy,



Accelerating Learning (focusing on Literacy & Numeracy);



Workforce Readiness;



Student Wellness.

Strategies

Three coordinating strategies to facilitate student success include:



Accelerating Learning

Providing more, and more effective, opportunities to learn, through programs like after-school and summer programming, tutoring and supporting districts in using high-quality instructional materials.



Overcoming Obstacles to Learning

Addressing barriers that prevent students from engaging in learning, such as attendance, mental health and high-speed internet access.



Preparing Students for Future Success

Helping students rediscover their "why" for learning and more smoothly transition to their next stage through career and college connections.

