

Hanscom Middle School
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Hanscom Middle School provides educational services to students from grades 4 through 8. This unique model and our unique building space allow us to follow an elementary school model for grades 4 and 5 and a middle school model for grades 6-8. We are committed to providing a high quality education that promotes a high value on academics and a strong sense of community.

The budget submitted seeks to maintain the high quality program that we provide to meet the needs of our military families. This includes highly qualified teachers, small class sizes, school supplies, materials, field trips and professional development for our teachers. We have tried to build a degree of flexibility into our budget to account our unpredictable fluctuating enrollment.

Hanscom Middle School is getting prepared to undergo a significant transition as we prepare to move into our new facility in April 2016. The new Hanscom Middle School is designed to support 21st Century learning spaces and teaching concepts.

Over the last few years we have worked diligently to try to develop our instructional practices to prepare for the new facility. This includes a significant increase in the use of technology through our 1:1 program and our continued collaboration with Hanscom Primary School as we've introduced the formative learning cycle and the use of learning targets to our teachers.

This year we will build on the district's goal of developing a shared understanding of high-quality, school-based collaborative practices. This is an essential characteristic of a 21st Century learning environment.

We will also work to develop a shared vision of how we will utilize the 21st Century design of our new facility to enhance the educational experience of our students.

Our school-based goals are:

School Based Goal #1: Faculty will develop a shared understanding of high-quality, school-based collaborative practices.

School Based Goal #2: Faculty will develop a shared vision of how we will utilize the 21st Century design of our new facility to enhance the educational experience of our students.

To this end, our improvement initiatives seek to strengthen and add to our existing educational program. It is my hope that this overview articulates the budget needs I feel are necessary as we move forward and work to achieve the goals set forth by our school, district and state. We worked to create a budget that takes the current economic reality

into account but also focuses on the unique needs of our military families and our need to increase the academic achievement of our students. I look forward to continued discussions about our proposed budget.