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## District Advancement Plan Updated

The [District Advancement Plan](#) is our roadmap for continuous improvement. We updated our plan to reflect the work completed last year and adjustments to action steps for the new school year. Each month we present an update on a goal or action step at our regular Board of Education meeting and then provide a brief summary in this newsletter, Bright Futures. [Additional information and archived issues of Bright Futures can also be found here.](#)

## Budget Update

We are pleased to share that with some grant funding we are continuing the same level of academic support in place for the last two years at both schools this upcoming school year. Initially, these positions were reduced as the budget was cut. As you may recall, the Board of Education restored a classroom position for grade 4 and a part-time speech position after funds were added back to the budget and it was passed at referendum. While we were not able to restore our dedicated STEAM teacher position at HES, STEAM programming will continue to thrive at HES. We are excited to roll out our new integrated STEAM and Spanish class at Gilead Hill School, expanding Spanish instruction to Kindergarten this year. Finally, we are excited to welcome two additional school psychologists to our schools to increase our mental health support for students, funded by the state mental health grant awarded to the district last year.



### Spotlight On: Newly Refreshed Hebron Elementary Gym Floors

Thanks to the support of the Town with the use of American Rescue Plan Funds, the gym floors at HES have been restored!