

RENAISSANCE SOLUTIONS

To meet the goals of the Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA), schools are accountable for improvement based on several school quality and student success indicators.

The New Jersey Department of Education has identified specific state goals for improvement and Jostens Renaissance has resources and strategies that can help reach these goals.

STATE GOAL	STRATEGIES INCLUDE
<p>Improve Academic Achievement: Goal is 80% proficiency in reading and math by 2030</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> · Renaissance Recognition Card Program · Renaissance Rallies · Renaissance Climate and Culture Idea #102: Test Care Packages
<p>Raise Graduation Rate: Evaluated by 4-year cohort with goal of 95% of students graduating by 2030</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> · Commitment to Graduate - Banners, activities and visual reminders · The Harbor Season 2, Episode 23: Finishing Strong · Commitment to Graduate Idea #105: Sophomores' Keys to Success
<p>Increase Attendance: Identifies chronic absenteeism as the School Quality and Student Success Indicator</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> · Renaissance Recognition Card Program · Renaissance Climate and Culture Idea #104: Attendance Bucks · On-the-Spot Awards
<p>School Climate and Engagement: Data assessed by subgroup performance which requires full student and staff engagement</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> · The Pulse – Student Recognition Survey · Renaissance Rallies · Positivity Resources
<p>Ensure College & Career Ready: Implementing high quality remediation activities in core academic areas and enrichment activities</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> · The Harbor Season 2, Episode 24: Overcoming the Odds · Commitment to Graduate - Idea #189: Senior Acceptance Wall · “Yes, You Really Do Need This Class” Poster



RENAISSANCE SOLUTION SPOTLIGHT **COMMITMENT TO GRADUATE™**

“Based on the findings of this study, graduation rates at award-winning high schools demonstrated an average increase of 7.99% from before the Jostens Renaissance program was implemented to the year of the school’s recognition.”

-Campbell, Phillip. *An Evaluation of the Jostens Renaissance Program on Award-Winning High Schools’ Attendance Rates and Graduation Rates*. 2016. Tennessee State University, PhD dissertation

Jostens has partnered with schools to bring together key messaging for communities, educators and students emphasizing the importance and value of graduation. A variety of Commitment to Graduate (C2G) ideas and resources present a framework of successful school-wide and grade level traditions that reinforce the value of the high school diploma, promote a college and career ready future, and instill an individual commitment to graduate from every student. Ideas are offered for specific school settings – elementary, middle, and/or high school – as each level is vital for goal setting, embracing traditions, and celebrating commitment from every student to strive for a high school diploma.

Visit JostensRenaissance.com/idea-exchange/commitment-to-graduate/ for more great C2G ideas.

“Looking at yearly data before and after we started using Renaissance:

- Behavior referrals reduced by 55%
- Skipping offenses reduced by 61%
- Fights went from 49 to 6
- Attendance rates increased from 93.1% to 94.4%.

The success and results at Franklin-Simpson High School are due to the implementation of Jostens Renaissance in our school.”

– Tim Schlosser, Principal
Franklin-Simpson High School
Franklin, KY