

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 Washington State Board 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: Evaluated by 4-year cohort with goals of 90% proficiency in ELA and Math by 2027, with annual targets for improvement by subgroup</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 90% of students graduating by 2027</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: Measured by growth in student achievement in the bottom 25% of students compared to other students with similar assessment scores</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> · Renaissance Recognition Card Program · Renaissance Climate and Culture Idea #104: Attendance Bucks · On-the-Spot Awards
<p>Ensure 9th Grade On Track: Evaluated by the percent of first time ninth grade students who earned credit for all attempted classes</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> · Renaissance Recognition Card Program · Commitment to Graduate - Banners, activities and visual reminders · The Harbor Season 2, Episode 4: Time Management
<p>Dual Credit: Evaluated by percent of students who completed a dual credit course or program (ie. AP, IB, College in High School, Running Start, Tech Prep, etc.)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> · The Harbor Season 2, Episode 24: Armando Sanchez - 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