

# The Next Three Years



**NEWARK  
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## **DISCUSSION GUIDE: COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT AND ACCOUNTABILITY FOR PROGRESS FEBRUARY 25, 2016 MEETING**

We are hoping to focus this evening's conversation on the ideas that received the most support during the community meetings and initial surveys that have been tabulated, see below.

### **KEY ISSUES**

- Expand partnerships with community organizations and colleges
- Establish structures and supports for working with non-English-speaking communities
- Conduct regular conversations with parents, grandparents, principals, teachers, and students
- Train district and school staff to analyze and use student learning data to make decisions and improvements
- Train families and community to interpret information about district and school performance and progress to help them make informed educational choices, including enrollment

### **DISCUSSION**

NPS agrees that these issues are critical. And these are very broad topics. We're hoping to use this evening's conversation to probe deeper and learn more so that we are on the same page about goals and strategies.

From your perspective, what would success look like?

Are there specific steps NPS should be taking? Are there specific problems NPS needs to address?

A senior NPS leader is with us tonight — both to listen and explain what the district is doing and/or considering if that would be helpful.

Are there other issues that should be very high priorities?