

EXPLORATION POINTS

In order to improve the quality of services to the students of Bedford County Public Schools, the following areas may be explored to determine impact on student achievement, feasibility for Bedford County Public Schools, and/or costs associated with adding programs and services. This list is not in priority order.

- 1. Examine an extended year schedule.**
- 2. Revise middle school exploratory opportunities to include up-to-date offerings, career exposure, job shadowing opportunities**
- 3. Increase number of college credit courses and degree programs including a focus on the arts.**
- 4. Integrate social skills into curriculum and specifically find ways to address bullying.**
- 5. Offer a full time mentor program to address teacher shortage.**
- 6. Develop program for administrative interns.**
- 7. Explore cost and feasibility of adding preschool programs.**
- 8. Study allocation of alternative school funding to determine if resources are being used in the most effective manner.**
- 9. Study possibility of placing more career and technical programs at the base high schools.**
- 10. Determine ways to add study hall periods at the middle and/or high school level for students who need remediation during the school day.**
- 11. Develop a plan for extracurricular activities.**
- 12. Examine offering levels of World History II.**
- 13. Determine how to offer a required course in financial literacy at the high school level using creative scheduling. Study adding other key topics to the course such as SAT prep, college counseling, life skills, social skills, etc.**
- 14. Consider school uniforms perhaps beginning with a pilot school.**
- 15. Develop credit-recovery programs.**
- 16. Investigate ways to promote overall wellness.**

- 17. Consider redistricting or moving attendance zones to balance student populations.**
- 18. Develop a plan for forming business partnerships.**
- 19. Determine the impact of narrowing the students participating in benchmarking testing.**
- 20. Explore moving Bedford Middle School Eighth grade to Liberty High School.**

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