



Washoe County School District

Every Child, By Name and Face, To Graduation

Sparks City Council
December 10, 2012



2013 WCSD Board of Trustees

Board Member	District	Term
Lisa Ruggerio	A South, Southwest, Including Incline Village	2016
John Mayer	B Sparks and parts of Sun Valley	2014
Barbara Clark	C North Valleys, Northern Half of Sun Valley, Spanish Springs	2014
Howard Rosenberg	D SE Reno, Old SW Reno	2016
David Aiazzi	E Northwest Reno, Verdi, Mogul	2016
Estela Gutierrez	F – At Large East half of Washoe Co.	2014
Barbara McLaury	G – At Large West half of Washoe Co.	2016

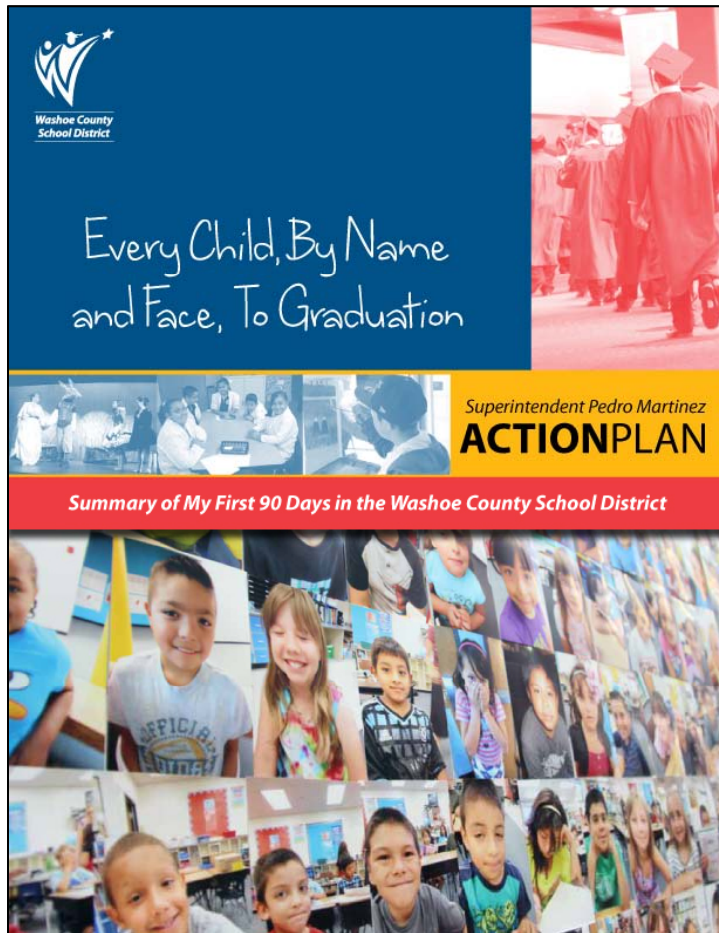


Introduction

- 4+ months on the job
- In the first 90 days, spent time listening and learning in the community including time at *Connecting the Superintendent* meetings:
 - Mendive Middle School (8/7)
 - Sepulveda Elementary School (8/16)
- These forums resulted in the compilation of my action plan



Action Plan – Strategic Plan



The action plan is not meant to create new initiatives or programs; instead the action plan **complements** the strategic plan by **prioritizing** the essential initiatives that address both long- and short-term challenges.



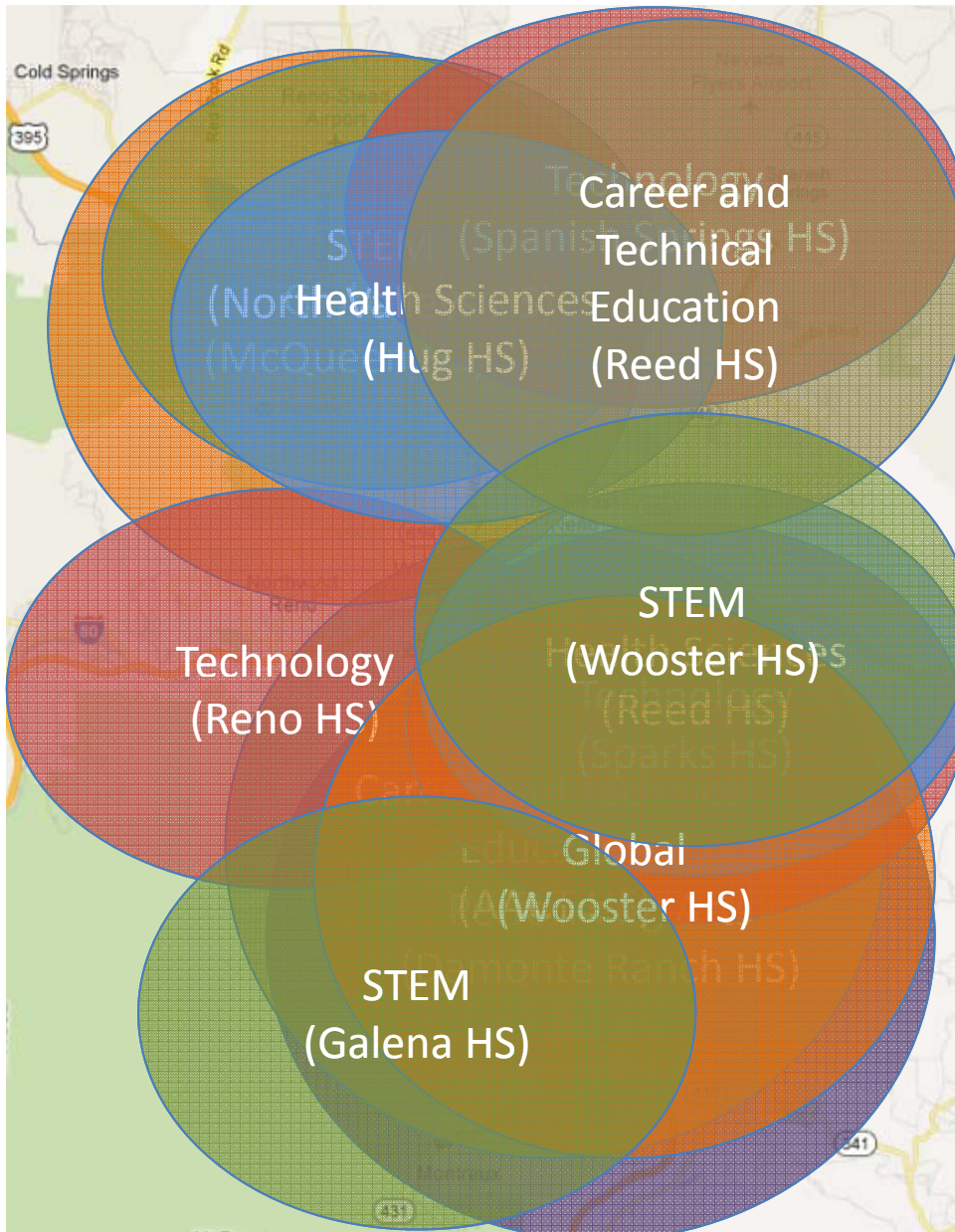
Action Plan

- **Goal 1:** Academic Success - Graduation; College Prep; Common Core; Signature Academy; ELL; Special Ed
- **Goal 2:** Highly Effective Personnel - Talent Management; Professional Growth Systems; Staff Development
- **Goal 3:** Engage Community and Family - Parents; Businesses; Website; Foundation
- **Goal 4:** Positive Culture - Bullying; Cultural Competency; Staff Celebration
- **Goal 5:** Performance Management - Accountability Framework; Data Warehouse; Department Reviews



Hot Topics

- Nevada Legislature
 - Board platform will likely include
 - Budget protection and enhancement
 - Capital projects funding
 - Need for investment in older schools and dealing with overcrowding at suburban schools, particularly in Sparks
 - Autonomy
 - Early Childhood
 - P-20 Alignment
- Rezoning in Spanish Springs



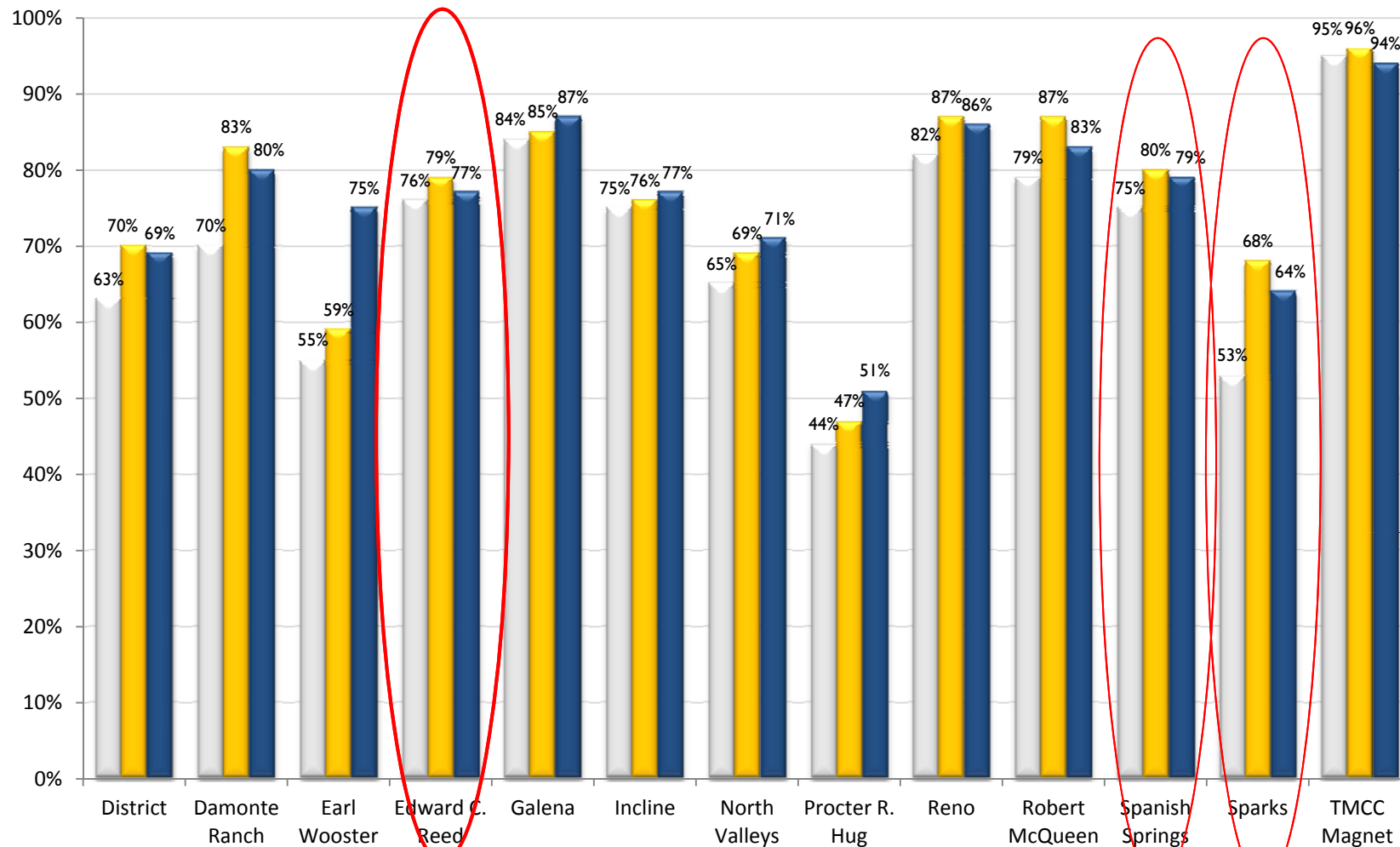
WCSD High School Signature Academies

- STEM Academies
- Technology Academies
- Health Sciences Academies
- Global Academies
- Career and Technical Education Academies
- Performing Arts Academy



High School Graduation Rates

2010-2012 Cohort Graduation Rates by School





Sparks Schools Highlights

- *Kate Smith* – National Title 1 Distinguished School
- Jason Childs named Nevada Elementary School Principal of the Year – *Florence Drake* (Virginia Palmer)
- Barbara Barker named WCSD Teacher of the Year – *Sparks Middle School*



Going Forward

- Continue to collaborate through:
 - Joint Board meetings
 - Shared Services committee
 - Bond oversight panel
 - Regular staff communication
- Keep up with us by signing up for:

