#### **Rumson Fair Haven Regional High School**

NJ QSAC: NJ Quality Single Accountability Continuum December 12, 2023



## What is QSAC?

- NJQSAC is the Department of Education's monitoring and evaluation system for public school districts.
- It is a single comprehensive accountability system that consolidates and incorporates the monitoring requirements of applicable state laws and programs and complements federally required improvements.
- The system focuses on monitoring and evaluating school districts in five key components which, based on research, have been identified to be key factors in effective school districts.
- Once every three years, districts are required to undergo a full NJQSAC evaluation and must complete the District Performance Review (DPR).



# The QSAC Process

- The NJQSAC evaluation process is initiated by the county office of education providing training and orientation for districts being monitored that school year.
- Each school district submits a self-evaluation using the DPR.
- The County Offices, led by the Executive County Superintendents (ECS), conduct a verification process by reviewing the documentation that the school districts provided in support of their scores for each indicator.
  - The verification process is conducted both remotely and on site.
- After the verification process the county office will issue a score for all DPR areas.
  - If the district score is below 80% in an area they must develop a district improvement plan.



# The QSAC Timeline

- Preparation of Documents: August November 2023
- Formation of District QSAC Committee: October 2023
- QSAC Committee Work & Internal Review: October November 2023
- QSAC Presentation to Board of Education & Approval of DPR: December 2023
- Submission of required paperwork to NJ Homeroom December 15, 2023
- Facilities Site Visit January 2024
- QSAC County DOE Visit February/March 2024



#### RFH 2023 QSAC Committee

- Darren Groh, Superintendent
- Sean Cranston, Business Administrator
- Sarah Fitzgerald, Director of Curriculum
- Stephen Sarles, Principal
- Robert Romano, Supervisor of Buildings and Grounds
- Alexis Marinov, Collective Bargaining Representative
- Stephanie Pennetti, Teacher Representative
- Katie Thompson, Board of Education and Parent Representative



### 5 Key Components of School District Effectiveness

Instruction & Program	Fiscal Management	Governance	Operations	Personnel
<ul> <li>Student Performance &amp; Graduation Rate</li> <li>State Assessment Results and Data Analysis</li> <li>Curriculum         <ul> <li>NJ Student Learning Standards (Content Specific and Interdisciplinary)</li> <li>State Mandates</li> <li>Modifications for Varied Learners</li> <li>Assessments for Growth</li> </ul> </li> <li>Tiered supports for all students.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Budget Planning and Monitoring</li> <li>Financial and Budgetary Controls</li> <li>Annual Audit</li> <li>Oversight of Grants and Capital Funds</li> <li>Public School District Facilities</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Board Policies and Procedures</li> <li>Standard School Board Practices</li> <li>Ethics Compliance</li> <li>Budget Priorities</li> <li>Contracts</li> <li>Board, Training, Disclosure and Operation</li> <li>Annual Evaluative Process</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Submission of Required Data to State</li> <li>Student Conduct &amp; Discipline</li> <li>School Safety and Security</li> <li>Student Health and Attendance</li> <li>School Climate</li> <li>Transportation Service</li> <li>Memorandum of Agreement with Law Enforcement</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Appropriate Certifications and Licensing of Personnel</li> <li>Evaluation of Staff</li> <li>District Mentoring</li> <li>Professional Development</li> <li>State Mandated Trainings</li> <li>Staffing Attendance and Budget Systems</li> </ul>



## District Performance Review

Component	Self-Assessment Score	
Instruction & Program	40%*	
Fiscal Management	100%	
Governance	100%	
Operations	100%	
Personnel	100%	

\* 60% of Instruction & Program is compiled from state data on assessment, attendance, and graduation rate.

Detailed information regarding NJ QSAC can be found on the NJ Department of Education website.