



# Road to Success

Independent Reading, Vocabulary Development, & Writing

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# STRATEGIC PLAN : SY 2020-2024



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## Core Values

We believe...

**1 Equitable opportunities** create the foundation necessary for every child to succeed

**2 A culture of continuous improvement** will ensure that all staff are learners and reflective practitioners

**3 High expectations** and standards are necessary to prepare students for college and career

**4 Collaboration** and partnerships with families and the New Haven community will enhance learning and achievement



## Mission

To provide all students in New Haven Public Schools with personalized, authentic, and engaging learning experiences through creativity, exploration, innovation, critical thinking, problem-solving, and high quality instruction. To foster a culture of continuous improvement through collaborative partnerships with staff, families, and the New Haven community. To support students' growth and development by utilizing the Whole Child Framework.

## Vision

Our vision is to be a premier urban school district that ensures access to equitable opportunities and successful outcomes for all students as they prepare for college, career, and life.

## Priority Areas for 2020-2024

- 1 Academic Learning**
- 3 Youth & Family Engagement**
- 5 Operational Efficiencies**

- 2 Culture & Climate**
- 4 Talented Educators**

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# Three Building Blocks



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## Independent Reading

NHPS will be deliberate in their purchases of rich text and making books available to students in hard copy and online so that they read broadly as well as deeply in any content area of their choosing -- choice and opportunity matter!



## Vocabulary Development

From an early age all students develop language whether they draw on a dialect influenced by culture, history and the stories of their families or from the dominant language that they hear and read more broadly. NHPS will nurture students as they expand their knowledge of vocabulary across all contexts.



## Writing Across Content Areas

NHPS will engage students as early as preschool in documenting their stories and communicating through writing. Writing across the content areas, students will be prepared to provide critical accounts and analysis in response to text or any experience. Students will be well prepared to express their ideas, state their claims and provide create or expository essays.

**WORD LIST BY GRADE**

**HS CLASS LIBRARIES (ALL)**

**HUMANITIES  
PRIMARY SOURCES (ALL)**

**MS THEMATIC TEXTS (ALL ELA)**

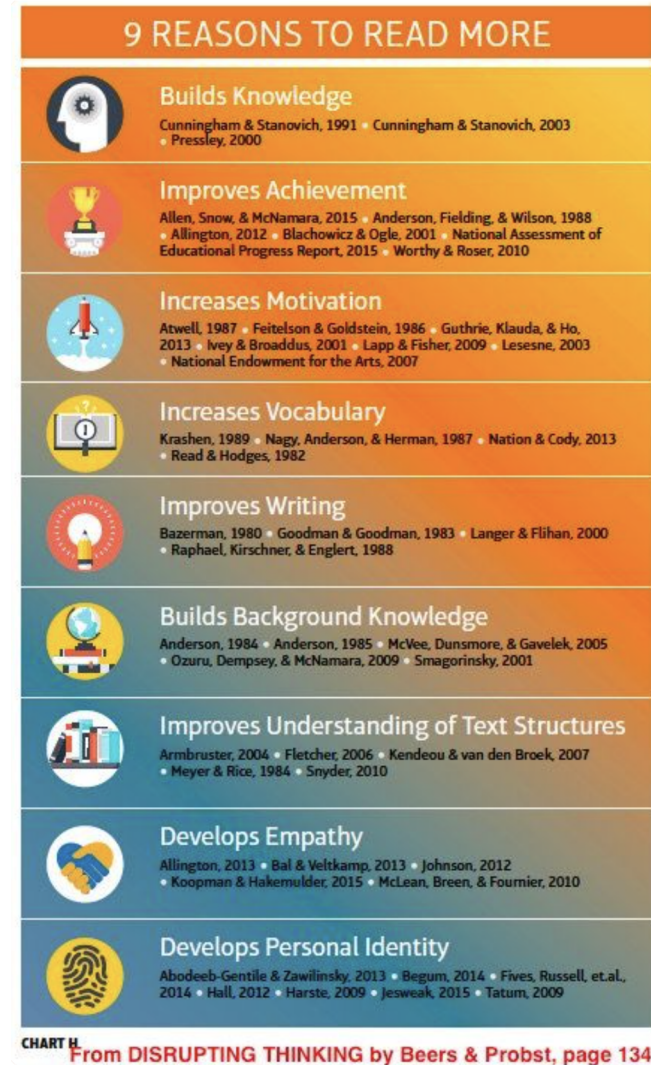
**SCIENCE TEXTS (ALL)**

**K-5 LEVELED LIBRARIES  
(17 NEW)**

**ONLINE READING (ALL K-12)**

# HS Libraries (ALL)

- Independent Reading as 21st Cent. Skill
- Mirrors, windows & sliding glass doors
- Academic, social-emotional & communal benefits.







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# MS Libraries Thematic Text

