

## NORTH JUDSON-SAN PIERRE SCHOOL CORPORATION

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In order to ensure and increase positive communication between school and community, a Bluejay Strategic Planning Group is being organized. Collaboration within this group will allow us to hear directly from our school community and provide us with insight, concerns, and questions from all stakeholders. In addition, this alliance will also be able to provide information to the community regarding emerging trends and practices in education and within our own school corporation. This collaborative unit will act as a link between school and the community. Community and parent involvement is critical to the success of our students.

The team will develop the objectives for the Bluejay Strategic Planning Group. However, there are a few that have surfaced in the last several months in various conversations:

- Explore strategies for marketing—concentrating on increasing student enrollment
- Explore methods of fundraising for special school programs
- Establish/Maintain support and focus on long-term planning for future growth
- Commit to a positive approach to success

Applications are being accepted for membership in the Bluejay Strategic Planning Group. Membership should include the following:

- A diverse representation of parents, community members, business leaders, school personnel
- Representatives from all townships in our school corporation
- Representatives of the community who want to take a positive approach to school improvement

If you wish to participate in the Bluejay Strategic Planning Group,

- Download an application from our website: njsp.k12.in.us. Go to the Human Resources tab and click on Application Forms to find the Bluejay Strategic Planning Group application.
- Applications can also be picked up at Central Office for those without Internet access
- Applications will be accepted through August 31.
- There will be 12 seats on the Bluejay Strategic Planning Group (research shows that a good size for a council is 9 to 18)
- Return application form to the NJSP Central Office Administration Building

Bringing educators, parents, and community members together will result in a genuine problem-solving behavior by all parties. There is no limit to what can be accomplished by harnessing the energy of committed people to common goals.