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**Guiding Principles**
Future Forward Ohio is driven by four guiding principles:

**We believe in our students.** We know students are resilient, and when provided the right supports and interventions, they flourish. We are operating with a sense of possibility.

**We believe the time is now.** We know students who have fallen behind cannot afford to stay behind. We are operating with a sense of urgency.

**We believe in partnership.** Schools, families, higher education, business partners, nonprofits and others have rallied around students. Through collaboration and partnerships, we can continue surrounding Ohio’s students with a system of support.

**We believe in learning and adapting.** We are committed to continually learning what is working and improving. We will use data to guide decision-making and refine the work to better serve students.

**Priorities**
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1. Literacy,
2. Accelerating Learning (focusing on Literacy & Numeracy);
3. Workforce Readiness;
4. Student Wellness.

**Strategies**
Three coordinating strategies to facilitate student success include:

**Accelerating Learning**
Providing more, and more effective, opportunities to learn, through programs like after-school and summer programming, tutoring and supporting districts in using high-quality instructional materials.

**Overcoming Obstacles to Learning**
Addressing barriers that prevent students from engaging in learning, such as attendance, mental health and high-speed internet access.

**Preparing Students for Future Success**
Helping students rediscover their “why” for learning and more smoothly transition to their next stage through career and college connections.