




Vision Statement

Jackson County recognizes education fuels a thriving community and provides a progressive environment that promotes education at all levels to give residents a competitive advantage.

Goals for the Future (0-5)

- Kids come to school ready for Kindergarten
- Support for Early Childhood Programs

An illustration featuring four colorful cartoon children. One is standing, one is sitting on the ground, and two are interacting. The text "Play, Learn and Grow... Together!" is written in a playful, colorful font around the children.

Goals for the Future (5-11)

- All children progressing academically, socially, and physically

A photograph of a young girl with long dark hair, wearing a denim shirt, sitting at a desk and smiling warmly at the camera. She is looking at a book or paper on the desk.


Goals for the Future (11-14)

- Students are ready for success in High School (academically, physically, and socially)

A photograph of a classroom. A teacher in a red shirt is standing and talking to a group of students seated at desks. The students are looking towards the teacher.

Goals for the Future (14-18)

- All students meet statewide graduation requirements
- All students will be college/career ready

A photograph of a group of diverse young adults in black graduation gowns and caps, celebrating and throwing their caps into the air.

Goals for the Future (18-23)

- Jackson County Bachelor degree rates exceed the national average
- We have productive work ready citizens in Jackson County



Overview of Goals

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Next Steps

Form partnerships in Jackson County to promote education at all levels 0-22 and beyond



Additional Information

- Many strategies were discussed as to how progress can be made toward these goals.
- The county needs to approve the goals before the actual work can begin.



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