

# SOUTHSIDE MONTESSORI SCHOOL STRATEGIC PLAN PRIORITIES

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## VISION STATEMENT

**Southside Montessori School nurtures the whole child within the Montessori Philosophy to become an independent, educated and socially responsible individual.**

## STRATEGIC PRIORITIES

**Southside Montessori School is committed to:**

- 1. Montessori Educational Philosophy.**
  - a) Building partnerships with parents through ongoing parent education.
  - b) Promoting this philosophy to the wider community
  - c) Ensuring that educational direction and investment is within the framework of Montessori education.
- 2. Enrichment and Inspiration in Teaching.**
  - a) Integrating modern and innovative teaching practices
  - b) Training and continually updating staff in their professional learning to meet the needs of students to a high level.
  - c) Updating resources to meet the needs of this priority.
- 3. Growing Enrolments.**
  - a) Refining a coordinated program of enrolments
  - b) Extending the profile of SMS in the broader community and seeking new enrolment opportunities.
  - c) Developing a coordinated plan to retain enrolments.
- 4. Communication in the 21<sup>st</sup> century.**
  - a) Exploring ways of using technology to support open communication and enhanced educational opportunities
  - b) Inviting regular feedback from the community regarding the effectiveness of school-home communication.
- 5. Staff Professional Learning.**
  - a) Developing a well-informed staff around BOS/National Curriculum requirements and compliance.
  - b) Ensuring all staff have opportunities for professional learning to achieve strategic outcomes.
  - c) Creating opportunities to network and workshop with other Montessori schools
  - d) Creating a 3 year program in professional learning accountability for all staff.
- 6. Financial Sustainability.**
  - a) Developing a strategic plan to meet future needs.
  - b) Creating a *Facilities Development Plan* for maintenance and improvements.
  - c) Creating future sources of income