

School Improvement Planning

Case Study



The Client

Prince William County Public Schools

The Project

Implementation of Public Consulting Group's (PCG) SkoVision™ school improvement planning solution to improve the strategic planning process for this 70,000 student school district in Manassas, Virginia.

The Opportunity

Prince William County Public Schools (PWCPs) had been using a well-defined, paper-based school improvement planning process for more than five years. In order to follow Malcolm Baldrige National Quality Award criteria in Strategic Planning, PWCPs sought a software tool to automate their planning process. After a rigorous investigation, SkoVision was identified as the best school improvement planning tool designed specifically for K-12 sector. PWCPs was then ready to take the next step and adopt a new, more efficient and dynamic way to plan.

The PCG Approach

PCG worked hand-in-hand with PWCPs to map its planning process into SkoVision. Together, they created a seamless migration path for principals who can now use SkoVision's web-based interface to create and monitor their school improvement plans and replace their manual and tedious paper-based process.

PCG leads the industry in school improvement planning consulting and technology. By deploying SkoVision, PCG was able to rapidly personalize its application and map it to PWCPs pre-defined school improvement planning processes and reports. PWCPs administrators and principals now have access to a powerful strategic tool to track their progress, share best practices, and work in a more collaborative manner.

The Result

PCG helped PWCPs to achieve greater control of its improvement plans and gain significant resource efficiencies. Among these results:

- With PCG's assistance, PWCPs significantly reduced the number of hours needed for manual data compilation, allowing principals and other administrators to focus attention and efforts on more critical matters.
- With SkoVision, PWCPs enhanced its decision-making process by making real-time data accessible to all end-users.

"This is a great team of skilled professionals who focus on quality! Since roll-out, our principals are enthused to work on their school improvement plans. We said goodbye to our paper-based process and enjoy working on continuous improvement for student achievement."

*Holly Hess – Director of Planning and Assessment
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