Education Committee
DRAFT Mission and Goals
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The Education Committee was created with the understanding that the responsibility of educating our children belongs to all of us. The committee's charge is to bring forth ways in which local governmental bodies, non-profit organizations, and City residents can collaborate to improve the educational experience and outcomes for all Madison Metropolitan School District students.

The committee will study the partnerships that are already in place among the different entities. In the process it will learn who is being served and where that is taking place. It will assess the existing need, identify any duplication of services or programs and examine the successes and potential failures thereof.

The committee will begin work immediately to identify areas in which the entities can work together to benefit students and their families.

In the long term, the committee will take all the information it gathers from its study of existing partnerships in Madison as well as what it learns by looking at models of community education initiatives in other cities around the country, to produce a recommendation, or a series of them, that will envision the community forming a comprehensive partnership, on a scale not seen before, to improve the quality of education for all Madison students.