Strategic Planning Steering Committee: Priorities

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1. Vision / Mission

2. Program Standards

1) Academic
2) Speech Language Services / Support Services
3) Residence
4) Resource Services Outreach
5) Social Skills Development / Behaviour Management
6) Recreation / Leisure
7) Career and Life Management

3. Expanded Programs

1) Inclusive Admissions Policy
2) Range of Placement Options / Weekend/Summer Programs
3) Satellite Programs
4) Special Projects

4. Professional Learning Community

1) Culture of Excellence / Technology
2) Professional Development Training / Additional Qualification Courses
3) Parent Education and Training
4) Partnerships
5) Mentoring
6) On-Site Research Capacity

5. Transition Planning / Practice

1) Entering - Home School / Board Programs → Provincial/Demonstration Schools
2) Exiting Follow-up - Provincial Demonstration Schools → Board Programs / School Programs → Community Programs

6. Human Resources

 (All priorities relating to Human Resources are equally important)
1) Staff Relations
2) Succession Planning and Leadership Development
3) Recruitment / Retention
4) Staff Recognition

7. Accountability

    1) Evaluation of Programs and Services
    2) Annual Feedback on Strategic Planning

8. Funding

    1) Priority Based Allocation
    2) Increased Funding for Special Equipment and Programs
    3) Professional Development

9. Material Resources

    1) Software and Hardware / Technical Aids / Curriculum Materials
    2) Libraries

10. Communication Enhancement

    1) Public Relations / Website
    2) School / Residence to Home (Two Way)

11. Physical Plant / Resource Services

    1) Facilities
    2) Maintenance
    3) Transportation

12. Health and Safety

    1) Healthy Schools include:
        i. General Wellness and Mental Health
       ii. Food and Nutrition

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1. **Schools for the Deaf**

    1) Nursery Program
    2) Bi-Bi Education / Second Language Proficiency (ASL) / Second Language Proficiency (English)
    3) Interpreting Services
    4) Adult Education and Post-Secondary Transition Programs / School → Employment
    5) Governance of Deaf Schools

2. **Schools for the Blind**

    1) Expanded Core Curriculum / Pre-School/Early Childhood Program
    2) Adult Education
    3) Post-Secondary Transition Programs / School → Employment