Taking Strategic Action

This worksheet is modified from the Children's Aid Society in New York, NY

1) For three priority areas identify three specific issues which you would like to prioritize, name one indicator in each that would set a goal towards addressing this issue:

Example Area: Attendance: Issue: Attendance is low for ESL students Indicator: Getting adv. Daily attendance up from 85-95% by 2016 for all ESL students

- Academic Support Climate College Access/Career Readiness Enrichment/Out of School Time Health/Social Services Parent and Community Engagement/Social Services Socio-Emotional/Behavioral Health Teacher Development Other
- 2) What are the opportunities and challenges to address this (these) issues?

For each issue, please identify opportunities to address this issue and challenges that would hinder progress for meeting your goal.

Issue Area 1:

Academic Support

Opportunities	Challenges

2. Family Engagement

Opportunities	Challenges

3.

Opportunities	Challenges

3) Identify key individuals and partners (existing or potential) that would need to be engaged in order to advance your development areas.

4) Brainstorm a list of possible actions that you could take to capitalize on the opportunities, address the challenges and/or involve the key individuals and partners you identified. (Be creative and bold!!)

5) Categorize you and your team's compelling ideas according to importance and difficulty using the matrix below.

	Less Important	More Important
E A S I E R		
H A R D E R		

Actions in the Easier/More Important quadrant are "quick win" actions that are meaningful but can be completed with relative ease. Actions that fall into the Harder/More Important category require intensive multi-step processes.