



FOUR YEARS AGO - In March 2000, 2 student groups from LaSalle HS and the old NFHS came together to form the Power of One to help with safe merger into the new NFHS.

A quick glance at the achievements listed in our **TIMELINE** below will give some idea of where the journey has taken us since then.

TODAY we are continuing our mission of assessing the needs of our school-community and responding with creative solutions.

OUR MISSION

LEADERSHIP

CREATIVE SOLUTIONS

DESIRE FOR LEARNING

EXCELLENCE IN PERFORMANCE

FRIENDSHIP, PEACE + UNITY

2000

2001

2002

2003

2004



November 2000 - Focus Groups in new NFHS



March 2003 - Legislative networking in Albany



February 2004 - Team training / project planning session

HERE'S A TIMELINE OF P1 HISTORY.

February - June 2000 - Town Meetings with students at LaSalle & old NFHS to gather concerns about merger into new NFHS. Getting answers from the Quality Council & reporting back to students.

September 2000 - New NFHS has safe and peaceful opening. Po1 is recognized as a contributor to this success.

November 2000 - Focus groups held (photo above) with all grades to gather ideas on strengths and needs in new building. Report of findings presented to staff in early 2001.

March 2001 - Power of One trains state leaders @ the Extended School Day / School Violence Prevention Coordinators meeting in Albany, NY. Session received rave reviews.

September 6, 2001 - Project Get Ready - the first version of what would become the Summer Academy program was designed and delivered to help the success of incoming 9th graders.

April 2002 - Road trip to East Hartford, Conn., Student Assistance Center for guidance, ideas and networking on developing a NFHS Student Center.

Summer 2002 - Summer Academy, version 2 is a much improved training for incoming 9th graders

March 2003 - Networking with NYS Legislators (center photo above) in Albany helps to restore \$30,000,000 in eliminated funding for Extended School Day & School Violence Prevention Programs.

March 2003 - Power of One present interactive workshop "Student Leadership Teams Improving Schools" at the School Safety Summit Conference in Albany.

March 2003 - Student Center launch and first-step start-up of Peer Mediation sessions.

June 2003 - Founding Member Graduation Dinner

Summer 2003 - Summer Academy, version # 3 delivered to largest groups of new 9th graders for 5 weeks in high school.

Fall 2003 - Spring 2004

- Ongoing leadership and skill-building training sessions
- Overnight retreat in November 2003
- Peer mediation ongoing & new mediators trained.
- Student Center Counselor hired
- Anger management & decision-making groups started
- Community tutoring initiated

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