

Board Agenda Item #	III B– Discussion Item
Date:	Monday, February 11, 2019
То:	Magnolia Board of Directors- Academic Committee
From:	Alfredo Rubalcava, CEO
Staff Lead:	Erdinc Acar, Chief Academic Officer
RE:	MPS MTSS LEA Self-Assessment Results

Proposed Board Recommendation

None; Information Only

Background

As a recipient of CA SUMS initiative Multi-Tiered Systems of Support (MTSS) grant, all Magnolia schools go through a two-years of process of developing, aligning, and improving academic and behavioral resources, programs, supports, and services in addressing the needs of the whole child by utilizing a coherent MTSS

framework that engages all systems leading to improved student outcomes.

In consultation with the grant administrators, MPS CMO undertook the assignment of administering the LEA-Self Assessment tool developed by the California County Superintendents Educational Services Association (CCSESA). The self- assessment process lasted five meetings with reflections, discussions and alignment of the assessment of our current status regarding where our organization as-a-whole stands based on the following six components.



- 1- Shared Beliefs, Vision, Mission
- 2- Teaching, Learning, & Assessment
- 3- Leadership & Governance
- 4- Professional Development for All
- 5- Infrastructure Alignment
- 6- Clear & Collaborative Relationships



When determining the current level of implementation, the following metric is used. Please refer to **Attachment 1: LEA Self-Assessment Tool** for the rubrics for each component and indicators.

Quadrant C	Quadrant D
Implementing	Continuous Improvement & Sustainability
Transformation and systemic efforts are underway	Systems are in place that are regularly monitored and revised
Quadrant A	Quadrant B
Laying the Foundation	Installing
Not yet started or minimal	
implementation	Working towards implementation

Summary and Next Steps:

The results reflect that MPS as an organization as a whole have many systems and processes in the installing and implementing phase. MPS team decided to continue with a process of designing a continuous improvement process to design a strategic plan to figure out next steps and implement necessary action to reach out Continuous Improvement and Sustainability phase.

Please refer to the Attachment 1: LEA Self-Assessment Results for detailed data.

Budget Implication Not Applicable

Funding Source Not Applicable

How Does This Action Relate/Affect/Benefit All MSAs? All MPS schools plan, design and implement MTSS as part of the CA SUMS initiative and grant. LEA-Self assessment will provide discussions and actions for strategic planning and actions.

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Attachments (2)

- 1- LEA Self-Assessment Results
- 2- LEA Self-Assessment Tool

MAGNOLIA PUBLIC SCHOOLS	
MTSS LEA -SELF ASSESSMENT	
2018-2019	
TEAM: Alfredo Rubalcava, CEO and Superintendent Erdinc Acar, Chief Academic Officer,	
Nanie Montojo Chief Financial Officer, David Yilmaz Chief Accountability Officer Patrick Ontiveros, Facility Director and Legal Counsel Barbara Torres, Executive Assistant	
Jenny Obuchi, Academic Assistant MPS PRINCIPALS AND DEANS	
COMPONENT 1: Shared Beliefs, Vision and Mission	STATUS
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.3. LEA SUPPORT FOR SAFE LEARNING ENVIRONMENTS AND STUDENT ENGAGEMENT LEA planning documents include programs and strategies that include behavioral expectations and consequences or actions, as well as knowledge and skills needed by students and staff to promote safe physical and social emotional learning environments. EA uses restorative practices to cultivate positive relationships in classrooms and at school sites	Implementing
COMPONENT 2: Teaching, Learning, and Assessment	
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2.4 LEA SUPPORT FOR RESEARCH-BASED INSTRUCTION refers to the effective support that our LEA provides to teachers and schools regarding the use of research-based instructional strategies, materials, and assessments aligned to a clear instructional vision and deliberate set of student learning outcomes that effectively meet the needs of all students in the most inclusive learning environment.	lementing
2.5 LEA USE AND SUPPORT OF DATA TO CLOSE ACHIEVEMENT GAPS refers to practices and systems our LEA uses to address student, program, and school data to identify targeted areas for curriculum, instruction, and other program improvements to support the academic achievement and social and emotional well-being for all students, and their support of the school's capacity to use a variety of data that can be disaggregated by student groups to make effective decisions that benefit students.	lementing
2.6 LEA SUPPORT FOR INTERVENTIONS AND EXTENDED LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES refers to the system of a multi-tiered system of support that schools use that are aligned to a clear instructional vision and deliberate set of student learning outcomes that insure all students have equal access to interventions and extended learning opportunities in the most inclusive learning environments. These strategies can include: tutoring, summer school, intersession courses, after- school programs, and extended learning opportunities within the school data	lementing
COMPONENT 3: Leadership and Governance	
3.1 LEA ADMINISTRATIVE LEADERSHIP TEAM AND BOARD OF EDUCATION refers to our LEA administration and the Board's critical role in aligning policies, resources, and funding to our LEA's goals and priorities, and overseeing the impact of those funds.	lementing
3.2 LEA SUPPORT FOR LEADERSHIP LEARNING AND DEVELOPMENT refers to how the LEA builds capacity of central office and school building administrators as instructional leaders to effectively monitor, supervise, and support high quality teaching and learning. Building "systems thinking" leaders ensures coherent improvement efforts that impact student and adult learning.	
3.3 LEA SUPPORT FOR SCHOOL LEADERSHIP TEAMS AND SHARED LEADERSHIP is essential for effective implementation of strategies and programs (academic and behavioral).	lementing
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4.1 LEA PROFESSIONAL LEARNING PLAN is organized around LEA mission, vision, goals, and program priorities, is a long-term, systematic, comprehensive, standards- driven approach created collaboratively to serve the Professional Learning (PL) needs of all staff providing a structure for high quality learning opportunities that focus on improving student learning and achievement for all students through a multi-tiered system of support.	Implementing
4.2 LEA SUPPORT OF NEW TEACHERS is a component of the systematic process that our LEA has implemented to support the teachers' orientation and mentoring needs.	Implementing
4.3 LEA SUPPORT FOR COLLABORATION TEAMS are used to establish focused coherence and build the skills of school staff to collect and analyze data, with an emphasis placed on data related to student groups, and the attainment of specific targets in order to make recommendations for actions and monitor the effectiveness of those actions.	Installing
4.4 LEA SUPPORT OF PRINCIPALS AS INSTRUCTIONAL LEADERS refers to how our LEA ensures school building administrators monitor, supervise, and support instruction as their top priority and ensure schools implement a multi-tiered system of support that includes preventions and interventions that addresses the needs of all students.	Implementing
4.5 LEA SUPPORT OF ORIENTATION AND MENTORING FOR PRINCIPALS is a systematic process that our LEA has implemented to support the orientation and mentoring needs of new principals and the on- going learning of all principals.	Implementing
COMPONENT 5: Infrastructure Alignment	
5.1 LEA DEVELOPMENT OF A DATA SYSTEM FOR SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT is a comprehensive and systematic documented process developed by our LEA for collecting and using a variety of data that can be disaggregated by student subgroups. The data system is accessible to school staff and includes strategies for stakeholders to continuously provide feedback. Data to be reviewed includes all required metrics reported in the LCAP.	Installing
5.2 LEA USE OF DATA FOR RESOURCE ALLOCATION TO IMPROVE STUDENT LEARNING refers to a LEA documented system for targeting resources, including money, staff, professional learning, materials, and additional support to schools based on the analysis of a variety of data that is disaggregated by student groups to determine LEA and school needs.	Installing
5.3 LEA RECRUITMENT AND RETENTION OF FULLY CREDENTIALED, EXPERIENCED TEACHERS refers to a proactive, structured documented system for the formation and maintenance professional learning, materials, and additional support to schools based on the analysis of a variety of data that is disaggregated by student groups to determine LEA and school needs.	Installing
5.4 LEA USE OF FISCAL RESOURCES refers to how LEAs use fiscal resources from local, state, and federal programs to achieve their goals and priorities, and how those resources are coordinated in our LEA	Installing
COMPONENT 6: Clear and Collaborative Relationships	

6.1 LEA COMMUNICATION WITH STAKEHOLDERS is a key strategy to foster two-way communication between stakeholders and our LEA by systematically gathering input on important topics and sharing information to collectively achieve our LEA vision and mission. Stakeholders are representative of our LEA's demographics and include students, parents, community members, teachers, staff, the Board of Education, and others.	Implementing
6.2 LEA COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIPS enhance the achievement of students by providing external resources that benefit our LEA and schools.	Implementing
6.3 STAKEHOLDER ENGAGEMENT LEA engages all stakeholders in the planning and implementing processes. Recruit participation of family and community members who are representative of the student population. Our LEA seeks input from parents and community for LEA and school decision-making. Our LEA promotes parent and community participation in school programs.	Installing

LEA Self-Assessment



The LEA Self-Assessment is a tool for District Leadership Teams to examine the current status of systemic practices that have been consistently demonstrated through research to be the components of effective district systems.





Instructions

LEAs use this tool to self-assess their level of implementation of the six components of an effective district system. Under each Indicator of LEA Support are descriptive statements that differentiate levels of implementation. Check the box that most accurately describes the LEA's current implementation level. The quadrant that has the most boxes checked is the LEA's current level of implementation. If there are an even amount of check boxes marked in each quadrant, as a team, decide which quadrant best describes current implementation. Work towards improving in areas marked in the lower quadrants and reflect on the policies, practices, and systems in place that moved the LEA into the higher quadrants.

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LEA Self-Assessment was developed from:

- SWIFT Education Center: Fidelity Integrity Assessment (FIA)
- District Capacity Assessment (NIRN)
- LEA Self-Assessment Companion Resource (CCSESA)
- Michael Fullan's Coherence Framework



COMPONENT 1: Shared Beliefs, Vision and Mission



1.1 LEA VISION AND MISSION provides a collaboratively developed descriptive picture of an LEA's preferred future as outlined in LEA planning documents (i.e., LCAP, LCAP Federal Addendum). Our LEA's mission is a collaboratively developed description of how our LEA will achieve its vision. Stakeholders involved in the process are representative of our LEA's demographics and include students, parents, community members, teachers, staff, the Board of Education, and others. Together the vision and mission guide LEA and school practices, policies, and goal development, resulting in increased student achievement embracing the concepts of "closing the gap" as well as "raising the bar" for all students.

Implementing (Transformation and systemic efforts are underway)	Continuous Improvement and Sustainability (Systems are in place that are regularly monitored and revised)
The alignment of our LEA's vision, mission, and state priorities with LEA and school planning documents, practices, and policies results in increased student achievement in the majority of schools as outlined in our LEA planning documents (e.g., LCAP).	The alignment of our LEA's vision, mission, and state priorities with LEA and school planning documents, practices, and policies results in increased student achievement in all schools as outlined in our LEA planning documents (e.g., LCAP).
A majority of schools in our LEA have the capacity to lead school improvement using our LEA's vision, mission, and state priorities as outlined in our LEA planning documents (e.g., LCAP).	□ All schools in our LEA have the capacity to lead school improvement using our LEA's vision, mission, and state priorities as outlined in our LEA planning documents (e.g., LCAP).
Stakeholders are knowledgeable and supportive of our LEA's vision and mission. Our LEA's mission is a description of how our LEA will achieve its vision.	□ There is an ongoing process with stakeholders for supporting the link between our LEA's vision and mission and site level school planning documents and improvement efforts. Our LEA's mission is a collaboratively developed description of how our LEA will achieve its vision.
Our LEA's vision, mission, values, and priorities are planned for the achievement and needs of all students. This vision addresses the concepts of "closing the gap" as well as "raising the bar." Actions and services that are aligned to our LEA's vision, mission, values, and priorities are implemented consistently in a majority of schools .	Our LEA's vision, mission, values, and priorities are focused on the achievement and needs of all students. This vision embraces the concepts of "closing the gap" as well as "raising the bar." Actions and services that are aligned to our LEA's vision, mission, values, and priorities are implemented consistently in all schools .
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- How are stakeholders involved in the development and periodic refinement of the LEA's vision, mission, and school wide learner outcomes?
- In what ways do students, parents, and other members of the school and business community demonstrate understanding of and commitment to the LEA's vision and mission?

Evidence shared for 1.1



COMPONENT 1: Shared Beliefs, Vision and Mission

1.2 PROMOTION OF POSITIVE SCHOOL CULTURE reflects the norms, behaviors, and practices of an LEA that ensure staff and students are connected and valued. A growth mindset underlies the culture. Our LEA measures perceptions of school safety and connectedness and reports to the governing board.

INDICATORS OF LEA SUPPORT		
Implementing (Transformation and systemic efforts are underway)	Continuous Improvement and Sustainability (Systems are in place that are regularly monitored and revised)	
Our LEA's processes to effectively promote a positive school culture result in clear, operational procedures that are integrated into daily practice in a majority of schools through communication, interaction, respect, and high-quality learning environments.	Our LEA has a documented process to effectively promote a positive school culture resulting in clear, operational procedures that are integrated into daily practice in all schools through communication, interaction, respect, and high-quality learning environments.	
Parents and community members understand the norms, behaviors and practices that contribute to a positive school culture.	Parents and community members understand and support the norms, behaviors and practices that contribute to a positive school culture.	
 The values, norms, behaviors, and practices that result in improvement are evident in most schools. 	The values, norms, and behaviors that support improvement, learning and success of students are evident throughout all schools.	
A commitment to continuous improvement across most of our sites is demonstrated by LEA leadership through aligned behaviors and systemic, coordinated actions.	A growth mindset underlies a high commitment to continuous improvement across our LEA and is demonstrated by LEA leadership through aligned behaviors and systemic, well-	
 Our LEA is building a culture of commitment, collegiality, mutual respect, and stability. Professional norms have been established, including peer support, collaboration, trust, shared responsibility, and continuous learning for the adults in the system. 	 coordinated actions. Our LEA has built a culture of commitment, equal access, collegiality, mutual respect, and stability. Professional norms are deeply embedded in the culture of our LEA and include peer support, collaboration, trust, shared responsibility, and continuous learning for the adults in the system. 	
Laying the Foundation (Not yet started or minimal implementation)	Installing (Working towards implementation)	
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- How are parents, community members, staff and students engaged in the governance of the school?
- What processes are used to assign staff members and provide appropriate orientation for all assignments, including online instruction and focused programs, to ensure quality student learning?

Evidence shared for 1.2



COMPONENT 1: Shared Beliefs, Vision and Mission

1.3 LEA SUPPORT FOR SAFE LEARNING ENVIRONMENTS AND STUDENT ENGAGEMENT

LEA planning documents include programs and strategies that include behavioral expectations and consequences for actions, as well as knowledge and skills needed by students and staff to promote safe physical and social emotional learning environments. LEA uses restorative practices to cultivate positive relationships in classrooms and at school sites.

Implementing (Transformation and systemic efforts are underway)	Continuous Improvement and Sustainability (Systems are in place that are regularly monitored and revised)
Our LEA has documented procedures that ensure safe and orderly environments embedded within daily practices at some of our LEA's schools.	Our LEA has documented procedures that ensure safe and orderly environments embedded within daily practices at all of our LEA's schools.
Data analysis and assessment are sometimes used to continuously improve safe learning environments and promote student engagement.	Data analysis and ongoing assessment are consistently used to continuously improve safe learning environments and promote student engagement.
Parents recognize that safe learning environments are necessary for most schools in our LEA.	Parents recognize and value that safe learning environments are necessary for all schools in our LEA.
Our LEA ensures that a universal behavior support system is in place at most schools and includes school-wide behavioral expectations, recognition systems, and consequence systems.	Our LEA ensures that a universal behavior support system is in place at each school and includes teaching school-wide behavioral expectations, recognition systems, and consequence systems.
Our LEA ensures that most schools have a multi-tiered system of support available to all students to provide increasing levels of behavioral support and intervention for students who need it Advanced tiered interventions are available for some students, regardless of eligibility of special education or other student support services.	Our LEA ensures that each school has a multi-tiered system of support available to all students to provide increasing levels of behavioral support and intervention for students who need it. Advanced tiered interventions are available for all students, regardless of eligibility of special education or other student support services.
Most schools in our LEA review behavior outcome data to evaluate the effectiveness of behavior instruction and interventions.	 Each school in our LEA reviews behavior outcome data to evaluate the effectiveness of behavior instruction and interventions.
Laying the Foundation (Not yet started or minimal implementation)	Installing (Working towards implementation)
Our LEA lacks procedures to prevent violence, foster a drug-free environment, promote student engagement, and/or create a safe learning environment in all its schools.	Our LEA's implementation of procedures to ensure safe and orderly environments and promote student engagement in all its schools is inconsistent, incomplete, or ineffective.
There is limited use of data analysis and assessment to improve safe learning environments and promote student engagement.	Some use of data analysis and assessment to improve safe learning environments and promote student engagement is evident.
Parents are unclear about the safe learning environments within the LEA.	Parents recognize and value that safe learning environments are necessary for their children's school.
Our LEA is exploring school wide behavioral supports.	
	Our LEA is building behavior support systems at each output behavior support systems at each
Our LEA is exploring a multi-tiered system of support for all students.	school, which include teaching school-wide behavioral expectations, recognition systems, and consequence systems
Our LEA is exploring a multi-tiered system of support for all students. Our LEA expects behavior issues to be handled by school administrators .	



- In what ways are school leadership and staff involved in shared decision-making and take responsibility for implementing practices and programs that support student safe learning environments which facilitate student engagement?
- What structures exist for internal communication, planning, and resolving differences?

Evidence shared for 1.3



COMPONENT 2: Teaching, Learning, and Assessment



2.1 LEACURRICULUM AND INSTRUCTIONAL GUIDANCE provides a clear instructional

vision and deliberate set of student learning outcomes for all students including core content standards, grade level benchmarks, instructional strategies, and assessments. Our LEA planning documents (i.e., LCAP, LCAP Federal Addendum) provide curricular and instructional transitions between grades and disciplines within and among LEA schools.

Implementing (Transformation and systemic efforts are underway)	Continuous Improvement and Sustainability (Systems are in place that are regularly monitored and revised)
 Our LEA process for supporting teachers and principals in the implementation of the state adopted curriculum and instruction frameworks results in rigorous and relevant curriculum, instruction, and assessment in a majority of schools as outlined in our LEA planning documents; (e.g., LCAP). Our LEA provides support to teachers and principals to implement the state adopted frameworks. Our LEA provides additional support for curricular and instructional transition between grades and disciplines within and among most 	 All schools consistently monitor, evaluate, and improve implementation of the state adopted curriculum and instruction frameworks to maintain the integrity of the state content standards, content, grade level benchmarks, instructional strategies, and assessments for growth of student achievement. Our LEA provides and facilitates additional support to teachers and principals to implement the state adopted frameworks. Our LEA provides additional support for curricular and instructional
LEA schools, when necessary.	transitions between grades and disciplines within and among all LEA schools , when necessary.
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- In what ways are school leadership and staff involved in developing a clear instructional vision and student learning outcomes for all students?
- How are school leaders and staff involved in a shared understanding of the LEA's instructional vision for student learning?
- What structures exist for supporting school leadership and staff in the implementation of the LEA's instructional vision for student learning?
- Is there a match between the mission/vision of the LEA, their beliefs, policies, and practices related to student outcomes?

Evidence shared for 2.1



COMPONENT 2: Teaching, Learning, and Assessment

2.2 LEA CURRICULUM Alignment describes the systematic and systemic processes, support, and training for the use of curriculum aligned to a clear instructional vision and deliberate set of student learning outcomes utilizing state and LEA academic standards, resulting in common, high expectations, and a shared vocabulary for curriculum, instruction, and assessment for all students. School personnel share responsibility and employ culturally responsive practices to educate all students in our LEA.

Implementing (Transformation and systemic efforts are underway)	Continuous Improvement and Sustainability (Systems are in place that are regularly monitored and revised)
 Our LEA's processes, support, and training for the use of curriculum aligned to state adopted standards and assessments lead to common expectations and vocabulary for instruction, curriculum, and assessment that foster improvement of instructional and assessment practices in a majority of schools and especially the low-performing schools. A majority of schools utilize our LEA's established expectations and vocabulary for curriculum, instruction, and assessment to promote the school's planning and implementation of improved instructional and assessment practices. Our LEA monitors the successful application of state adopted, standards-aligned curriculum, classroom instruction, and assessment, and provides additional support to a majority of schools additional support to a majority of schools additional supports the schools additional supports to a curriculur presponsive teaching and learning and ensures that schools accommodate the dynamic mix of race, ethnicity, class, gender, region, religion, and family that contributes to every student's cultural identity in some schools. 	 Our LEA's processes, support, and training for the use of curriculum aligned to state adopted standards and assessments lead to common expectations and vocabulary for instruction, curriculum, and assessment that foster improvement of instructional and assessment practices in all schools. All schools utilize our LEA's established expectations and vocabulary for curriculum, instruction, and assessment to promote the school's planning and implementation of improved instructional and assessment practices. Our LEA monitors the successful application of state adopted, standards-aligned curriculum, classroom instruction, and assessment, and provides additional support to all schools. Our LEA monitors the successful application of culturally responsive teaching and learning and ensures that schools accommodate the dynamic mix of race, ethnicity, class, gender, region, religion, and family that contributes to every student's cultural identity in all schools.
Laying the Foundation (Not yet started or minimal implementation)	Installing (Working towards implementation)
 Our LEA has provided no resources and/or processes to assist schools with curriculum alignment, resulting in no common vocabulary for classroom instruction, curriculum, and assessment. Our LEA has not established expectations and vocabulary for curriculum, instruction, and assessment to promote the school's planning and implementation of improved instructional and assessment practices. Our LEA has not monitored the application of state adopted, standards-aligned curriculum, classroom instruction, and assessment at any school. Our LEA does not yet have systems in place to monitor culturally responsive teaching and learning to ensure that schools accommodate the dynamic mix of race, ethnicity, class, gender, region, religion, and family that contributes to every student's cultural identity. 	 Our LEA supports processes that result in curriculum aligned to the state adopted standards and assessments, but provides little additional support or training in all schools to ensure that common expectations and vocabulary for classroom instruction, curriculum, and assessment assist with the school's improvement of instructional and assessment practices. Some schools utilize our LEA's established expectations and vocabulary for curriculum, instruction, and assessment to promote the school's planning and implementation of improved instructional and assessment practices. Our LEA monitors the successful application of state adopted, standards-aligned curriculum, classroom instruction, and assessment, and provides additional support to some schools. Our LEA encourages culturally responsive teaching and learning to happen at schools to accommodate the dynamic mix of race, ethnicity, class, gender, region, religion, and family that contributes to every student's cultural identity.



- What processes, supports and training are in place to foster the improvement of instructional and assessment practices?
- How does our LEA monitor benchmark assessment results as well as state assessment results to consider the reallocation of resources as a result of findings?

Evidence shared for 2.2



COMPONENT 2: Teaching, Learning, and Assessment

2.3 LEA ENSURES EQUITABLE ACCESS TO RIGOROUS COURSEWORK AND

EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES to promote academic success for all students and additional support for students who do not demonstrate success in our LEA.

Implementing	Continuous Improvement and Sustainability
(Transformation and systemic efforts are underway)	(Systems are in place that are regularly monitored and revised)
 The majority of schools use flexible grouping of students to maximize student engagement and participation in learning. Program participation data are examined to verify students are equitably represented in rigorous coursework and educational opportunities. Interventions are in place for the majority of students who need additional academic support. 	 All schools consistently use flexible grouping of students to maximize student engagement and participation in learning. Data disaggregated by primary language, economic status, program participation and socio-emotional factors are examined frequently to verify students are equitably represented in all rigorous coursework and educational opportunities. LEA clearly articulates expectations and ensures student's academic success is monitored.
 Practices within some schools support high expectations by	 Practices within each school support high expectations by
providing extra scaffolding and support to students who need	providing extra scaffolding and support to students who need
it.	it.
Laying the Foundation	Installing
(Not yet started or minimal implementation)	(Working towards implementation)



- What practices are in place to maximize student engagement and participation in learning?
- How is data used to inform the equitable representation of all students in rigorous coursework and educational opportunities?
- What supports for administrator learning are in place within the LEA for reflection, collaboration, and professional development?

Evidence shared for 2.3

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COMPONENT 2: Teaching, Learning, and Assessment

2.4 LEA SUPPORT FOR RESEARCH-BASED INSTRUCTION refers to the effective support that our LEA provides to teachers and schools regarding the use of research-based instructional strategies, materials, and assessments aligned to a clear instructional vision and deliberate set of student learning outcomes that effectively meet the needs of all students in the most inclusive learning environment.

Implementing (Transformation and systemic efforts are underway)	Continuous Improvement and Sustainability (Systems are in place that are regularly monitored and revised)		
Our LEA requires, finances, supports, monitors, and evaluates the effectiveness of a majority of schools' implementation of research-based instructional strategies and assessments resulting in multiple opportunities at the classroom level for all students to meet state standards.	 Our LEA requires, finances, supports, monitors, and evaluates the effectiveness of all schools' implementation of research-based instructional strategies and assessments resulting in multiple opportunities at the classroom level for all students to meet state standards. 		
Our LEA provides additional targeted resources and training to support research-based instruction for a majority of schools .	 Our LEA provides additional targeted resources and training to support research-based instruction for all schools. Defense to intervention and Operation Foundation based dependent 		
Referrals to intervention and Special Education have begun to decrease .	Referrals to intervention and Special Education have decreased significantly or have remained low over time.		
Most teachers are provided researched-based instructional strategies, materials, and assessments that effectively meet the needs of all students in the most inclusive learning environment.	All teachers are provided researched-based instructional strategies, materials, and assessments that effectively meet the needs of all students in the most inclusive learning environment.		
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- What processes, supports and practices are in place to support and evaluate the effectiveness of instructional strategies, resources and assessments in meeting the needs of all students?
- To what extent is staff supported by time, personnel, material and fiscal resources for planning and professional learning to support the achievement of all students?

Evidence shared for 2.4



COMPONENT 2: Teaching, Learning, and Assessment

2.5 LEA USE AND SUPPORT OF DATA TO CLOSE ACHIEVEMENT GAPS refers to practices

and systems our LEA uses to address student, program, and school data to identify targeted areas for curriculum, instruction, and other program improvements to support the academic achievement and socialemotional well-being for all students, and their support of the school's capacity to use a variety of data that can be disaggregated by student groups to make effective decisions that benefit students.

Implementing (Transformation and systemic efforts are underway)	Continuous Improvement and Sustainability (Systems are in place that are regularly monitored and revised)	
 Our LEA recognizes a need and has a plan to build capacity for school-based, data-driven decision making in all of its schools, especially its low-performing schools resulting in improved student outcomes. Our LEA uses data to identify achievement gaps, and provides some feedback for implementing curriculum, instruction, and other program improvement to support all students. Our LEA monitors the effectiveness of some its schools' use of data to improve curriculum, instruction, and other programs, and to appropriately support all students. Our LEA periodically provides additional resources to support all schools' efforts to close the achievement gap. Our LEA is involved and consistently supports a majority of school staff to use a variety of disaggregated student data to make decisions. A majority of schools are more self-sufficient in their capacity to make data-based decisions to close the achievement gap. All teachers at most schools collaborate to monitor students' academic progress. Universal screening and progress monitoring data are collected and reviewed at most school sites to track student outcomes and improvement. 	 Our LEA has a formal plan to build capacity for school-based, data-driven decision making in all of its schools, especially its low-performing schools resulting in improved student outcomes. Our LEA uses data to monitor and evaluate the effectiveness of all its schools use of data to identify achievement gaps, and provides some meaningful feedback for implementing curriculum, instruction, and other program improvement to support all students. Our LEA monitors and evaluates the effectiveness of all its schools' use of data to improve curriculum, instruction, and other programs, and to appropriately support all students. Our LEA regularly provides additional resources to support all schools' efforts to close the achievement gap. Our LEA is extensively involved and consistently supports all school staff to use a variety of disaggregated student data to make decisions. All schools are more self-sufficient in their capacity to make databased decisions to close the achievement gap. All teachers in each school collaborate to monitor students' academic progress. Universal screening and progress monitoring data are collected and reviewed on each school site to track student outcomes and improvement. 	
Laying the Foundation (Not yet started or minimal implementation)	Installing (Working towards implementation)	
 Our LEA uses minimal or no assessment and/or other data to identify achievement gaps, provide meaningful feedback for curriculum and instruction improvement, to support all students. Our LEA is not using data to identify achievement gaps to support schools in identifying targeted areas for curriculum, instruction, and other program improvements. Our LEA is not using data to identify priority areas for implementing curriculum, instruction, and improvement for all students. Our LEA fails to provide additional resources to support all schools' efforts to close the achievement gap. Our LEA is not reached the level of self-sufficiency in their capacity to make data-based decisions to close the achievement gap. Teachers do not collaborate to monitor student's academic progress Universal screening and progress monitoring data are not collected or reviewed to track student outcomes and improvement. 	 Our LEA recognizes the need, and has a process that supports the use of disaggregated student data for school-level decision-making, but the process is applied infrequently or inconsistently at low-performing schools. Our LEA uses data to identify achievement gaps, but is infrequent and/or inconsistent with its support to its schools in identifying targeted areas for curriculum, instruction, and other program improvements to support all students. Our LEA uses data to provide awareness for implementing curriculum, instruction, and other program improvements to support all students. Our LEA sporadically provides additional resources to support all students. Our LEA is involved and supports some school staff to use a variety of disaggregated student data to make decisions. Some schools are more self-sufficient in their capacity to make data-based decisions to close the achievement gap. Teachers at some schools collaborate to monitor students' academic progress. Universal screening and progress monitoring data are collected and reviewed at some school sites to track student outcomes and improvement. 	



- How are LEA staff and other stakeholders involved in the process of using data to inform decision-making?
- What practices are in place to build the capacity of staff and other stakeholders to analyze performance data to inform instruction?

Evidence shared for 2.5





COMPONENT 2: Teaching, Learning, and Assessment

2.6 LEA SUPPORT FOR INTERVENTIONS AND EXTENDED LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES

refers to the system of a multi-tiered system of support that schools use that are aligned to a clear instructional vision and deliberate set of student learning outcomes that insure all students have equal access to interventions and extended learning opportunities in the most inclusive learning environments. These strategies can include: tutoring, summer school, intersession courses, after-school programs, and extended learning opportunities within the school day.

Implementing (Transformation and systemic efforts are underway)	Continuous Improvement and Sustainability (Systems are in place that are regularly monitored and revised)
A majority of students in our LEA participate in the general education curriculum of their grade level peers with the assistance of collaborative learning strategies.	All students in our LEA participate in the general education curriculum of their grade level peers with the assistance of collaborative learning strategies.
Most schools implement a multi-tiered system of support available to all students to provide increasing levels of support and academic intervention to meet the needs of students. Advanced tier interventions are available for all students regardless of eligibility of special education or other student support services.	□ All schools implement a multi-tiered system of support available to all students to provide increasing levels of support and academic intervention to meet the needs of students. Advanced tier interventions are available for all students regardless of eligibility of special education or other student support services.
A majority of schools implement a systematic approach to using extended learning opportunities to meet the needs of struggling students.	□ All schools implement a systematic approach to using extended learning opportunities to meet the needs of struggling students.
Our LEA has a periodic process to monitor interventions for their impact and to ensure every struggling student(s) is/are not being eliminated from higher-level learning opportunities.	Our LEA has an ongoing process to monitor interventions for their impact and to ensure every struggling student(s) is/are not being eliminated from higher-level learning opportunities.
Interventions are sometimes modified based on formative data to more effectively meet the learning needs of all students.	 Interventions are consistently modified based on formative data to more effectively meet the learning needs of all students.
Extended learning opportunities are sometime modified based on formative data to more effectively meet the learning needs of all students.	Extended learning opportunities are consistently modified based on formative data to more effectively meet the learning needs of all students.
Laying the Foundation (Not yet started or minimal implementation)	Installing (Working towards implementation)
(Not yet started or minimal implementation) Schools have not yet implemented a systematic approach to using interventions or collaborative learning strategies.	
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- What instructional practices are used in classrooms and at school sites to meet thelearning needs of all students?
- What structures are in place to provide differentiated instruction and support to meet the needs of all learners?
- For which subject areas is additional learning time needed?
- How could we create opportunities for additional learning time for those students who need it?

Evidence shared for 2.6



COMPONENT 3: Leadership and Governance



3.1 LEA ADMINISTRATIVE LEADERSHIP TEAM AND BOARD OF EDUCATION refers to our

LEA administration and the Board's critical role in aligning policies, resources, and funding to our LEA's goals and priorities, and overseeing the impact of those funds.

Implementing (Transformation and systemic efforts are underway)	Continuous Improvement and Sustainability (Systems are in place that are regularly monitored and revised)
 Our LEA administrative leadership team ensures LEA policies, resources, and funding will address our LEA's goals and priorities to increase student achievement. Our LEA reports student outcome and fidelity data to the school board. Our LEA has a policy and process for selecting research-based practices and the selection may involve selected school administrators and teaching staff. 	 Our LEA administrative leadership team, in collaboration with the Board of Education, aligns policies, resources, and funding to our documented LEA goals and priorities, and oversees the impact of those funds. Our LEA formally and regularly reports student outcome data to the school board. Our LEA has a clear written policy and process for selecting research-based practices and the selection process involves school administrators and teaching staff.
Laying the Foundation	
(Not yet started or minimal implementation)	Installing (Working towards implementation)



- In what ways does LEA administrative leadership and the Board of Education collaborate to align and evaluate the impact of funding allocations?
- What processes are in place to involve school administrators and teachers in the selection of evidence-based practices?
- How does district administration hold school leadership accountable for outcomes while supporting them with needed resources?

Evidence shared for 3.1



COMPONENT 3: Leadership and Governance

3.2 LEA SUPPORT FOR LEADERSHIP LEARNING AND DEVELOPMENT refers to how the

LEA builds capacity of central office and school building administrators as instructional leaders to effectively monitor, supervise, and support high quality teaching and learning. Building "systems thinking" leaders ensures coherent improvement efforts that impact student and adult learning.

Implementing (Transformation and systemic efforts are underway)	Continuous Improvement and Sustainability (Systems are in place that are regularly monitored and revised)
 Our LEA provides structured, regular opportunities for all central office and school building leaders to share best practices. Our LEA provides opportunities for networking that allows leaders to learn from one another and develop innovative practices that maximize success of adults and students. Our LEA administrators provide guidance to some site administrators to provide feedback to teachers for continuous improvement in academic, behavioral, and social-emotional domains. 	 Our LEA provides ongoing, focused, research-based learning and leadership development opportunities for all central office and school building leaders. Our LEA provides ongoing, focused opportunities for networking that allows leaders to learn from one another and develop innovative practices that maximize success of adults and students. Our LEA administrators provide guidance to all site administrators in effective ways to provide feedback to teachers for continuous improvement in academic, behavioral, and socialemotional domains.
Laying the Foundation (Not yet started or minimal implementation)	Installing (Working towards implementation)
 Our LEA encourages learning for school building leaders, but allows administrators to self-select and determine their own learning needs. 	 Our LEA provides some opportunities for school building leaders to attend conferences and professional learning sessions.
Our LEA provides few or no opportunities for networking amongst leaders.	Our LEA provides limited opportunities for networking and leaders have limited time to learn from one another.
Our LEA provides little to no guidance to site administrators to provide feedback to teachers for continuous improvement.	 Our LEA administrators provide limited guidance to site administrators to provide feedback to teachers for continuous improvement.



- In what ways does the LEA build the capacity of central office and site administrators to lead instructional improvements?
- What opportunities are available for site administrators to network together?
- What additional support/mentoring is provided to new administrators to help build their knowledge and skills as an instructional leader?

Evidence shared for 3.2



COMPONENT 3: Leadership and Governance

3.3 LEA SUPPORT FOR SCHOOL LEADERSHIP TEAMS AND SHARED LEADERSHIP is essential for effective implementation of strategies and programs (academic and behavioral).

Implementing (Transformation and systemic efforts are underway)	Continuous Improvement and Sustainability (Systems are in place that are regularly monitored and revised)
Our LEA provides supports for School Leadership Teams. School Leadership Teams are comprised of the site principal and educators representing general education, special education, and other student services. Principals are encouraged to utilize the expertise of their team members and share leadership. School Leadership Teams at least monthly to review school wide data, both academic and behavioral, in order to monitor school progress, guide instructional practice, and make school governance decisions. The team functions well and regularly look for ways to improve effectiveness. LEA personnel with decision-making authority attend School Leadership Team meetings two – three times per year. School Leadership Team meets regularly to set goals.	 Our LEA provides documented structures and supports for School Leadership Teams to be successful. School Leadership Teams are comprised of the site principal and educators representing general education, special education, and other student services. Principals receive ongoing support on how to better utilize the expertise of their team members and share leadership. School Leadership Teams meet twice a month to review school wide data, both academic and behavioral, in order to monitor school progress, guide instructional practice, and make school governance decisions. The team functions well and regularly look for ways to improve effectiveness. LEA personnel with decision-making authority attend School Leadership Team meetings at least once a month. Administrator utilizes the School Leadership Team to set annual goals and monitor effectiveness of the actions set to meet those goals.
Laying the Foundation (Not yet started or minimal implementation)	Installing (Working towards implementation)
Although our LEA has encouraged site principals to establish School Leadership Teams, they do not exist at every site .	Our LEA provides inconsistent support for School Leadership Teams.
Principals are recruiting team members and designing roles and responsibilities for team members.	 Principals inconsistently utilize School Leadership Teams.
School Leadership Teams are being established and a schedule is being drafted for a minimum of monthly meetings.	School Leadership Teams meet inconsistently to review school wide data, both academic and behavioral, in order to monitor school progress, guide instructional practice, and make school governance decisions. The team functions well and
LEA personnel are encouraging site principals to establish School Leadership Teams, they do not exist at every site .	regularly look for ways to improve effectiveness. LEA personnel with decision-making authority
School Leadership Team do not exist at every site.	 inconsistently/irregularly attend meetings. School Leadership Team meets inconsistently or irregularly.



- What structures are in place to support School Leadership Teams to guide instructional practice and monitor school progress?
- Do School Leadership Teams represent the staff of each school well (i.e. grade level, subject representation, special student services, etc.)?

Evidence shared for 3.3



COMPONENT 3: Leadership and Governance

3.4 LEA SUPPORT FOR TEACHER LEADERSHIP FOR STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT

recognizes the critical role that LEAs play in building teacher ownership of student achievement by providing opportunities for teachers to collaboratively plan and work together on school improvement and professional learning.

Implementing	Continuous Improvement and Sustainability
(Transformation and systemic efforts are underway)	(Systems are in place that are regularly monitored and revised)
 The LEA partners with schools in promoting student achievement by deliberately building teacher leadership through support of teacher opportunities for collaborative planning, school improvement planning, and professional learning planning opportunities. Teacher leaders are identified as facilitators in collaboration settings. Teacher leaders at some schools are recognized by site administrators and asked to consider areas for leadership involvement within the school or LEA. 	 The LEA partners with schools in promoting student achievement by deliberately building and sustaining teacher leadership through support of teacher opportunities for collaborative planning, school improvement planning, and professional learning planning opportunities. Teacher leaders are identified and utilized as leaders/facilitators in collaboration settings. Teacher leaders are recognized at all schools by site administrators and asked to consider areas for leadership involvement within the school or LEA.
Laying the Foundation	Installing
(Not yet started or minimal implementation)	(Working towards implementation)
 The LEA has little or no evidence of building teacher leadership. Teacher leaders are not identified as facilitators. Teacher leaders are not developed. 	 The LEA has begun acknowledging the role that teacher leadership plays in increasing student achievement, but efforts to support and build teacher leadership are in development. Teacher leaders are identified as facilitators in some collaborative settings. Teacher leaders are not considered for areas of leadership involvement within the school or LEA.



- In what ways does the LEA build and sustain teacher leadership?
- What process does the LEA use to identify teacher leaders in order to maximize the use of their expertise?

Evidence shared for 3.4




4.1 LEA PROFESSIONAL LEARNING PLAN is organized around LEA mission, vision, goals, and program priorities, is a long-term, systematic, comprehensive, standards- driven approach created collaboratively to serve the Professional Learning (PL) needs of all staff providing a structure for high quality learning opportunities that focus on improving student learning and achievement for all students through a multi-tiered system of support.

Implementing	Continuous Improvement and Sustainability
(Transformation and systemic efforts are underway)	(Systems are in place that are regularly monitored and revised)
Our LEA has adopted a single year, standards-based	Our LEA has adopted a multi-year, standards-based professional
professional learning plan, based on data and a needs assessment	learning plan, based on data and a needs assessment and
and organized around a comprehensive set of program priorities.	organized around a comprehensive set of program priorities.
The plan has been successfully implemented and considered	The plan has been successfully implemented and is sustained
for revision each year in order to meet the needs and goals of all	and regularly revised in order to meet the needs and goals of all
students and staff.	students and staff.
 Data is inconsistently used to monitor the effectiveness of	 Data is used to monitor the effectiveness of the professional
the professional learning plan.	learning plan and is used to determine new opportunities.
Laying the Foundation	Installing
(Not yet started or minimal implementation)	(Working towards implementation)



- How are professional learning opportunities aligned to the LEA's mission, vision and goals?
- What processes are in place to analyze the impact of professional learning and make adjustments?
- How does professional learning align to student, teacher and administrator needs?



4.2 LEA SUPPORT OF NEW TEACHERS is a component of the systematic process that our LEA has implemented to support the teachers' orientation and mentoring needs.

Implementing (Transformation and systemic efforts are underway)	Continuous Improvement and Sustainability (Systems are in place that are regularly monitored and revised)
 Our LEA provides intensive and targeted support of new teachers through orientation and mentoring programs. Our LEA monitors the effectiveness of its efforts to improve orientation and mentoring programs. Highly effective teachers are encouraged to coach and mentor our newest teachers to ensure strong support for each new teacher. 	 Our LEA provides intensive and targeted support of new teachers through orientation, coaching, and mentoring programs within their first 2 years of teaching and ongoing as indicated through data or upon educator request. Our LEA monitors and evaluates the effectiveness of its efforts to improve orientation and coaching, and mentoring programs. Highly effective teachers are willing and used to coach and mentor our newest teachers to ensure strong support for each new teacher.
Laying the Foundation (Not yet started or minimal implementation)	Installing (Working towards implementation)
(Not yet started or minimal implementation)	(Working towards implementation)



- How are new teachers supported through their first two years ofteaching?
- What processes are used to evaluate the effectiveness of these supports?
- How often are new teachers observed by site and district administrators and given feedback to help them improve?



4.3 LEA SUPPORT FOR COLLABORATION TEAMS are used to establish focused coherence and build the skills of school staff to collect and analyze data, with an emphasis placed on data related to student groups, and the attainment of specific targets in order to make recommendations for actions and monitor the effectiveness of those actions.

EASUPPORT
Continuous Improvement and Sustainability (Systems are in place that are regularly monitored and revised)
 Our LEA frequently monitors the results of collaborative meetings and revises LEA supports and resources as necessary. Collaboration teams regularly and systematically collect and analyze school-wide data and student group data to monitor the effectiveness of programs and practices, and make necessary revisions to actions in order to continuously increase student achievement. Collaboration teams weekly review upcoming units of study to identify background knowledge and key vocabulary students need for success. Beginning with the culminating performance assessment, teams backward map to determine key benchmarks/learning outcomes students need to master for success.
Installing (Working towards implementation)
 Our LEA infrequently monitors results and makes changesto LEA supports and resources. Collaboration teams infrequently collect data, including student groups, LEA provides training and/or support for collaboration teams to collect and analyze data on student performance. Teams identify needs with little to no actions or minimal impact on student achievement. Collaboration teams quarterly consider upcoming units of study to identify background knowledge and key vocabulary students need for success. Beginning with the culminating performance assessment, teams backward map to determine key benchmarks/learning outcomes students need to master for success.



- In what ways does the LEA support the development of collaborative teams focused on instructional practices, monitoring of student progress and student achievement?
- What student monitoring processes exist to inform planning and decision-making?



4.4 LEA SUPPORT OF PRINCIPALS AS INSTRUCTIONAL LEADERS refers to how our LEA

ensures school building administrators monitor, supervise, and support instruction as their top priority and ensure schools implement a multi-tiered system of support that includes preventions and interventions that addresses the needs of all students.

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Implementing (Transformation and systemic efforts are underway)	Continuous Improvement and Sustainability (Systems are in place that are regularly monitored and revised)
Our LEA uses the results of principal evaluations and school monitoring to support building administrators and other leaders in improving student learning.	Our LEA systematically uses the results of principal evaluations and school monitoring to support building administrators and other leaders in improving student learning.
 Our LEA provides resources to principals to implement a multi- tiered system of support that includes preventions and interventions that address the needs of all students. Our LEA provides coaching and support on best practices for collaboration and providing feedback to most teachers. Our LEA provides coaching to site administrators in techniques to ask effective questions to build a reflective and continuous improvement mindset with staff. Our LEA ensures site administrators meet with teachers and/or collaboration teams to analyze academic, behavioral, and social- emotional data and determine next steps in order to clearly understand the challenges with their school community. Our LEA ensures site administrators participate with teachers in professional learning so they are able to provide feedback and 	 Our LEA provides resources and ongoing support to principals to implement a multi-tiered system of support that includes preventions and interventions that addresses the needs of all students. Our LEA provides coaching and ongoing support on best practices for collaboration and providing feedback to all teachers. Our LEA provides coaching to site and LEA administrators in techniques to ask effective questions to build a reflective and continuous improvement mindset with staff. Our LEA ensures site and LEA administrators meet with teachers and/or collaboration teams to analyze academic, behavioral, and social-emotional data and determine next steps in order to clearly understand the challenges with their school community.
support as teachers implement new strategies in their classrooms.	 Our LEA ensures site and LEA administrators participate with teachers in professional learning so they are able to provide feedback and support as teachers implement new strategies in their classrooms.
Laying the Foundation	Installing
Laying the Foundation (Not yet started or minimal implementation)	Installing (Working towards implementation)
(Not yet started or minimal implementation) Our LEA provides little/no support to administrators and other leaders for instructional leadership. 	
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- In what ways does the LEA build the capacity and support site administrators in leading instructional improvements?
- How are administrators supported in developing understanding of differentiated supports to accelerate learning for underperforming students?



4.5 LEA SUPPORT OF ORIENTATION AND MENTORING FOR PRINCIPALS is a systematic

process that our LEA has implemented to support the rientation and mentoring needs of new principals and the ongoing learning of all principals.

Implementing (Transformation and systemic efforts are underway)	Continuous Improvement and Sustainability (Systems are in place that are regularly monitored and revised)
 Our LEA monitors the effectiveness of its system for the orientation and mentoring of principals to improve the program and address the changing needs of schools. Our LEA provides ongoing learning opportunities for principals. 	 Our LEA monitors and evaluates the effectiveness of its efforts to improve orientation and mentoring programs to address the changing needs of new principals that results in continuous improvement of LEA services to administrators. Our LEA continually designs and evaluates the impact of professional learning programs and strategies for principals.
Laying the Foundation (Not yet started or minimal implementation)	Installing (Working towards implementation)
 Our LEA has little or no evidence of an organized system for the orientation and mentoring of principals. No evidence of systematic ongoing learning opportunities for all principals. 	 Our LEA has a system for the orientation and mentoring ofnew principals, but it is not aligned with the identified goals of our LEA and little monitoring and improvement of the system occurs. There are few and inconsistent learning opportunities for principals.



- What structures are in place to support the development of new principals?
- In what ways does the LEA support the ongoing professional growth of principals as instructional leaders?
- How do we determine if the support being provided for principals is effective and targeted to greatest areas of need?



COMPONENT 5: Infrastructure Alignment



5.1 LEA DEVELOPMENT OF A DATA SYSTEM FOR SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT is a

comprehensive and systematic documented process developed by our LEA for collecting and using a variety of data that can be disaggregated by student subgroups. The data system is accessible to school staff and includes strategies for stakeholders to continuously provide feedback. Data to be reviewed includes all required metrics reported in the LCAP.

Implementing (Transformation and systemic efforts are underway)	Continuous Improvement and Sustainability (Systems are in place that are regularly monitored and revised)
 Our LEA has a comprehensive system of targeted data that can be disaggregated by student groups. The system is user-friendly and accessible. Our LEA has a comprehensive system to track behavioral data and disaggregate it by student group, offense, and consequence. 	 Our LEA has a systematic and comprehensive documented system of targeted data that can be disaggregated by student groups, is enhanced and improved continuously, and includes structures for stakeholders to access data and provide feedback. The system is user-friendly and accessible. Our LEA has a robust system to track behavioral data and disaggregate it by student group, offense, and consequence.
Laying the Foundation (Not yet started or minimal implementation)	Installing (Working towards implementation)
 Our LEA does not yet have a comprehensive system for gathering and reporting disaggregated data related to student achievement. Our LEA does not yet have a system to track behavioral data and disaggregate it by student group, offense, and consequence. 	 Our LEA has a system of targeted data that can be disaggregated by student groups. The system may not be user-friendly and accessible. Our LEA has a system to track behavioral data and disaggregate it by student group, offense, and consequence.



- What tools, processes and structures are in place to facilitate the use of data for continuous improvement?
- In what ways are staff and other key stakeholders involved in making sense of student and school performance data?



COMPONENT 5: Infrastructure Alignment

5.2 LEA USE OF DATA FOR RESOURCE ALLOCATION TO IMPROVE STUDENT

LEARNING refers to a LEA documented system for targeting resources, including money, staff, professional learning, materials, and additional support to schools based on the analysis of a variety of data that is disaggregated by student groups to determine LEA and school needs.

Implementing	Continuous Improvement and Sustainability
(Transformation and systemic efforts are underway)	(Systems are in place that are regularly monitored and revised)
 Our LEA has a continuous improvement process involving multiple stakeholders who use a variety of data that are disaggregated by student groups to allocate resources in order to improve LEA operations and meet critical learning needs of students. The system is evaluated and refined to improve resource allocation to meet the needs of the schools and our LEA. 	 Our LEA has a documented systematic continuous improvement process involving multiple stakeholders who use a variety of data that are proactively disaggregated by student groups to allocate resources in order to improve LEA operations and meet critical learning needs of students. The system is continuously evaluated and refined to improve resource allocation to meet the needs of the schools and our LEA.
Laying the Foundation	Installing
(Not yet started or minimal implementation)	(Working towards implementation)



- What processes exist for analyzing and making use of data to improve LEA operations and student learning?
- In what ways are staff and other key stakeholders involved in making sense of student and school performance data?



COMPONENT 5: Infrastructure Alignment

5.3 LEA RECRUITMENT AND RETENTION OF FULLY CREDENTIALED, EXPERIENCED

TEACHERS refers to a proactive, structured documented system for the formation and maintenance of a highly qualified teacher pool based on historic knowledge of the needs of schools in our LEA. Our LEA may partner with universities and/or businesses to develop teacher-training programs.

Implementing (Transformation and systemic efforts are underway)	Continuous Improvement and Sustainability (Systems are in place that are regularly monitored and revised)
 Our LEA recruits and places fully credentialed, effective, and experienced teachers in its neediest schools. LEA policies and procedures enable schools to move early and quickly when identifying needs and selecting staff. Our LEA has identified strategies to improve teacher retention. Personnel evaluations result in the identification of strengths and areas for improvement. The personnel evaluation and feedback processes are used consistently throughout our LEA for continuous improvement. 	 Our LEA actively recruits and retains highly effective and qualified teachers that have the necessary skills to implement evidenced-based practices. A documented structured system of recruiting and screening potential candidates has been developed. LEA policies and procedures enable schools to move early and quickly when identifying needs and selecting staff. Our LEA monitors and evaluates the effectiveness of its efforts to recruit, place, and retain highly qualified, effective, and experienced teachers in its neediest schools. Personnel evaluations result in the identification of strengths and areas for improvement. Teachers and principals report that feedback is supportive. Evaluation processes include multiple sources of information and data.
Laying the Foundation (Not yet started or minimal implementation)	Installing
((Working towards implementation)



- What processes are in place to recruit and retain highly qualified teachers throughout the LEA?
- What procedures are in place to ensure staff members are qualified based upon background, training and preparation and appropriately assigned to maximize their expertise?



COMPONENT 5: Infrastructure Alignment

5.4 LEA USE OF FISCAL RESOURCES refers to how LEAs use fiscal resources from local, state, and federal programs to achieve their goals and priorities, and how those resources are coordinated in our LEA.

Implementing	Continuous Improvement and Sustainability
(Transformation and systemic efforts are underway)	(Systems are in place that are regularly monitored and revised)
 Our LEA has a process to evaluate and improve the use of fiscal resources and collaboration among programs and departments that are responsible for various funding sources. Carryover of school improvement funds only occurs when funds are allocated for future support of specific school improvement activities. 	Our LEA has a documented ongoing process to evaluate and improve the use of fiscal resources and collaboration among programs and departments that are responsible for various funding sources. This evaluation and collaboration allows our LEA to more effectively achieve its goals and priorities in its low-performing schools.
Laying the Foundation	Installing
(Not yet started or minimal implementation)	(Working towards implementation)



- What processes are in place to evaluate the aligned fiscal resources to LEA goals and priorities?
- How are staff and other key stakeholders involved in the process of aligning fiscal resources with LEA goals and priorities?



COMPONENT 6: Clear & Collaborative Relationships



6.1 LEA COMMUNICATION WITH STAKEHOLDERS is a key strategy to foster two-way communication between stakeholders and our LEA by systematically gathering input on important topics and sharing information to collectively achieve our LEA vision and mission. Stakeholders are representative of our LEA's demographics and include students, parents, community members, teachers, staff, the Board of Education, and others.

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Implementing (Transformation and systemic efforts are underway)	Continuous Improvement and Sustainability (Systems are in place that are regularly monitored and revised)
 Our LEA has formal, two-way structure for listening and communicating with stakeholders in all its schools that result in meaningful feedback and building positive relationships. Our LEA provides parent information in accessible formats and languages spoken by families in our LEA. Stakeholders, including parents and community, have multiple opportunities to exchange ideas in addressing school issues through meetings with leaders. 	 Our LEA has a documented ongoing, systemic, formal two-way structure for communicating with key stakeholders in all its schools. These structures are assessed for their effectiveness, and continuous improvements are made. Our LEA ensures that critical parent information is readily available in accessible formats and languages spoken by families in our LEA. Stakeholders, including parents and community, have regular and consistent opportunities to exchange ideas in addressing school issues through meetings or other reciprocal communications with leaders.
Laying the Foundation (Not yet started or minimal implementation)	Installing (Working towards implementation)
 Our LEA has no formal structures in place to address communication with stakeholders. Our LEA provides basic, parent information in most languages spoken by families in our LEA on a limited basis. Stakeholders have little/no opportunities to exchange ideas with school leaders. 	 Our LEA has an initial plan or informal structures in place to address communication with stakeholders about all its schools, but these structures provide few ongoing opportunities to gather feedback, input, or updates from stakeholders. Our LEA provides basic, parent information in most languages spoken by families in our LEA. Stakeholders have occasional opportunities to exchange ideas with school leaders.



- In what ways does the LEA communicate regularly with key stakeholders?
- How is the effectiveness of these communication strategies assessed?



COMPONENT 6: Clear & Collaborative Relationships

6.2 LEA COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIPS enhance the achievement of students by providing

external resources that benefit our LEA and schools.

Implementing (Transformation and systemic efforts are underway)	Continuous Improvement and Sustainability (Systems are in place that are regularly monitored and revised)
 Partnerships between LEA and outside community agencies/ organizations assist with aspects of student learning and success, resulting in increased student performance in all schools. Partnerships are occasionally assessed for their impact on student/ school success and are generally responsive to changing needs. 	 Partnerships between LEA and community agencies/organizations are documented and structured, self-sustaining, and continuously developing with a focus on increasing student performance in all schools. Partnerships are regularly assessed for their impact on student/school success and are responsive to changing needs.
Laying the Foundation	Installing
(Not yet started or minimal implementation)	Installing (Working towards implementation)



- What strategies are used to cultivate, develop and sustain partnerships with parents/guardians and community members?
- How are local resources provided by parents and community members identified and utilized?



COMPONENT 6: Clear & Collaborative Relationships

6.3 STAKEHOLDER ENGAGEMENT LEA engages all stakeholders in the planning and implementing processes. Recruit participation of family and community members who are representative of the student population. Our LEA seeks input from parents and community for LEA and school decision-making. Our LEA promotes parent and community participation in school programs.

Implementing (Transformation and systemic efforts are underway)	Continuous Improvement and Sustainability (Systems are in place that are regularly monitored and revised)
 Meaningful engagement of parents, students, and other stakeholders, including those representing the groups, is part of our LEA planning and implementing process. Our LEA has policies that encourage parent representation on committees that reflect the composition of the school/LEA student body. Most schools in our LEA assess how parents perceive the quality of partnerships with school staff at least once a year. 	 Meaningful engagement of parents, students, and other stakeholders, including those representing the groups, is documented and an ongoing part of our LEA planning and implementing processes. Our LEA ensures that parent representation on committees reflects the composition of the school/LEA student body. All schools in our LEA assess how parents perceive the quality of the partnerships with school staff two times a year and use the results to improve partnerships.
Laying the Foundation (Not yet started or minimal implementation)	Installing (Working towards implementation)
(Not yet started or minimal implementation) There is minimal engagement of parents, students, and other stakeholders, including those representing the groups as part of our	(Working towards implementation) Some engagement of parents, students, and other stakeholders, including those representing the groups, is part of our LEA planning



- How are parents/guardians, students, and other stakeholders meaningfully engaged in the LEA planning and implementation processes?
- How does the LEA gauge the quality and effectiveness of engagement strategies?



Additional Resources by Component:

1. Shared Beliefs, Vision, & Mission	 Building Blocks of Integrated Academic LEA Support Characteristics of Successful LEAs Characteristics of School LEAs that are Exceptionally Effective in Closing the Achievement Gap Coherence: The right drivers in action for schools, LEAs, and systems Characteristics of Improved School LEAs (Washington)
2. Teaching, Learning, & Assessment	 Building Blocks of Integrated Academic LEA Support Characteristics of Successful LEAs Characteristics of School LEAs that are Exceptionally Effective in Closing the Achievement Gap Characteristics of Improved School LEAs (Washington)
3. Leadership & Governance	 The 20 Non-Negotiable Characteristics of Higher Performing School System Building Blocks of Integrated Academic LEA Support Characteristics of Successful LEAs
4. Professional Learning for All	 Building Blocks of Integrated Academic LEA Support <u>Characteristics of Successful LEAs</u> <u>Characteristics of Improved School LEAs</u> <u>Characteristics of School LEAs that Are Exceptionally Effective in Closing the Achievement Gap</u> <u>Coherence: The right drivers in action for schools, LEAs, and systems</u> <u>The 20 Non-Negotiable Characteristics of Higher Performing School Systems</u> <u>High Reliability Organizations in Education</u>
5. Infrastructure Alignment	 <u>The 20 Non-Negotiable Characteristics of Higher Performing School Systems</u> <u>Building Blocks of Integrated Academic LEA Support</u> <u>Characteristics of Successful LEAs</u>
6. Clear & Collaborative Relationships	 Building Blocks of Integrated Academic LEA Support Characteristics of Successful LEAs Family Engagement Framework (CDE, 2014)

