

# Inclusion Advisory Committee

Strategic Plan – Student Excellence December 14, 2023

# Agenda

- Welcome & Relationship Building
- Committee Orientation
- Building Shared Context



#### WELCOME COMMITTEE MEMBERS

# Introduce yourself by sharing Your Name and Role as a representative on the committee?



#### Norms

- Ask and share preferences
- Use person-first and asset-based language
- Listen to others & invite others into conversation
- Accept others right to "pass" on sharing
- Provide and take agency for choice in engagement





#### Think - Pair - Share

- Pick one prompt to respond to
- Think about it on your own (in your head or in writing)
- Share your thoughts with a person near you

1. Share a time / place / lesson when you loved learning

2. What is a skill you have that would surprise people?

3. What interested you in joining this committee?

4. What do you hope our committee accomplishes together?

# BINGO

Option A - Many	Option B - Pair	Option C - Solo
<ol> <li>Take a card</li> <li>Circulate around the room</li> <li>Greet people</li> <li>Give one, get one: share an acronym you know and receive an acronym your partner knows</li> <li>Thank and find someone new</li> </ol>	<ol> <li>Take a card</li> <li>Find a partner</li> <li>Identify as many as you can</li> <li>Ask a staff member about those unfamiliar with</li> </ol>	<ol> <li>Take a card</li> <li>Stay seated</li> <li>Identify as many as you can</li> <li>Ask a staff member about those unfamiliar with</li> </ol>



### LWSD Mission and Vision: Results 1



Each student will graduate prepared to lead a rewarding and responsible life as a contributing member of our community and greater society.



Every Student Future Ready:

- Prepared for College
- Prepared for the Global Workplace
- Prepared for Personal Success









# **Commitment to Equity**

To ensure academic success for all students by closing opportunity gaps for students and providing equitable and inclusive working and learning environments for all students, families, staff, and communities.

# Inclusion

- Students qualified for Special Education services historically served in learning centers attend their neighborhood school.
- Students participate in general education to the greatest extent possible for them – accessing core content and receiving Specially Designed Instruction (SDI) either in general education or during intervention blocks with special education staff.
- Some students may still need to receive SDI in a special education setting in accordance with their IEP.





## **BART**

В

# Boundary

 Specific amount of time or area of location A

# Authority

Right to do the work R

## Role

Function of the person

T

#### Task

Primary work of the group

#### **Committee Roles**

What are the various roles for people on the committee?



**Facilitator** 

Lead the committee through the steps, provide oversight of the process and to report back to the Superintendent and District Leadership Team



Committee

Learn, engage, be creative, be strategic with each task with a focus on closing gaps and improving conditions / outcomes for students.



**Board Member** 

Observe the committee process, discussions and recommendation to inform the whole Board of the process and outcomes.



Superintendent

Receive feedback from the committees and lead the District Leadership Team to incorporate and implement that feedback





# **BART**

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#### Boundary

• Three meetings each school year

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#### Authority

• Identify (think back to introduction)

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#### Role

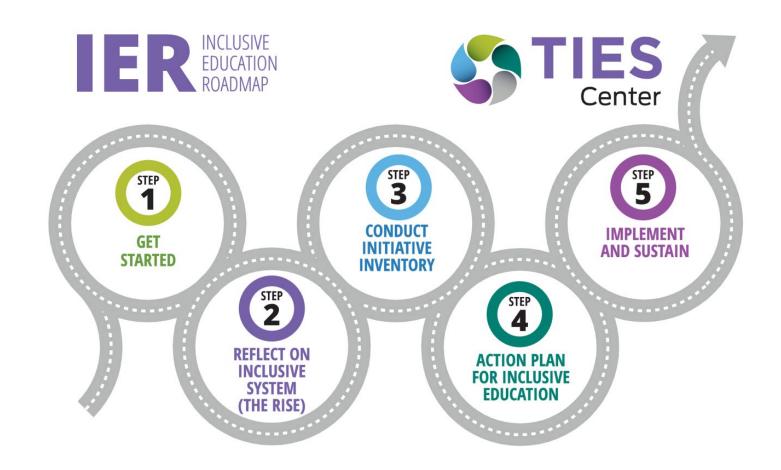
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#### Task

 Make recommendations and considerations for ongoing improvement related to inclusionary practices.



#### Inclusive Education Roadmap



Source: TIES Inclusive Education Roadmap | Inclusive Education Roadmap (IER) | Institute on Community Integration Publications (umn.edu)



# Committee Sequence

Meeting 1

Building Relationships

Building Context

Meeting 2

Exploring Data

• Determining Focus

Meeting 3

Considering Implementation

# Context



# Engagement Options

Option A – Gallery Walk	Option B - Handout
<ol> <li>In groups of 3-4</li> <li>Circulate around the room</li> </ol>	<ol> <li>On own or with partner</li> <li>Review handout copies</li> </ol>
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# A Brief History of Elementary Inclusion

Fully inclusive preschool

Expand # of schools w/LCs

Rockwell, Twain, Carson, Kirkland MS pilot (Cohort 1) All elementary schools welcome students from remaining learning centers in neighborhood schools

2020

2019

2021

2023

Transition kindergarten students to home schools

Lakeview, Audubon, Rush, Rose Hill, Franklin pilot (Cohort 2)

2022



# Collective Bargaining Agreement: Elementary

- K-5 Special Education shall be staffed using a 1:15 teacher to IEP ratio.
- Elementary principals, in collaboration with special education teachers, will finalize a daily and weekly master schedule which includes intervention blocks, teacher planning, case management, and lunches.
- Elementary special education and general education teachers shall meet to understand and collaborate around supporting students with an IEP.
- Each building will develop and disseminate a paraeducator substitute coverage plan with tiered supports identified and responsibilities of special education staff and building administration.



# Elementary 23-24

 Hired additional 8 FTE special education teachers this year due to new staffing ratios

 22-23 School year = 80 students not in their neighborhood schools

• 23-24 = 7 students not in their neighborhood schools



The Universal Design for Learning Guidelines

CAST | Until learning has no limits

Provide multiple means of **Engagement** 



Provide multiple means of **Representation** 



Provide multiple means of Action & Expression



Access

Provide options for **Recruiting Interest** 

Provide options for **Perception** 

Provide options for **Physical Action** 

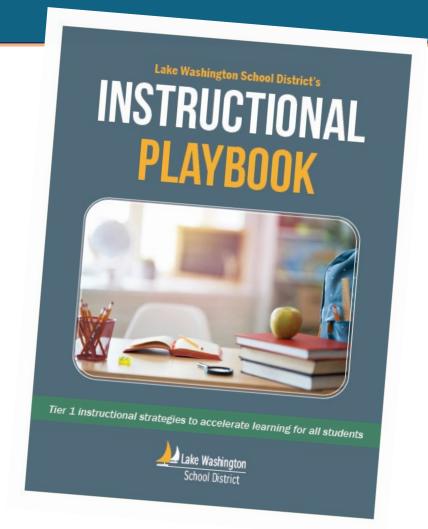
# Tier 1: Instructional Practice

- Designing for all learners from the start;
- Foster the development of expert learning;
- Recognize there is learner variability in every context;
   and
- Establishing clear goals to developing flexible learning pathways.

# Instructional Playbook

 A tool teachers can use to incorporate and/or diversify effective Tier 1 instruction in their classrooms

 Provides an overview of 10 instructional practices aligned with equity and inclusion





# Instructional Playbook

Building Background

Modeling

Accessing Content

Metacognition Opportunities to Respond

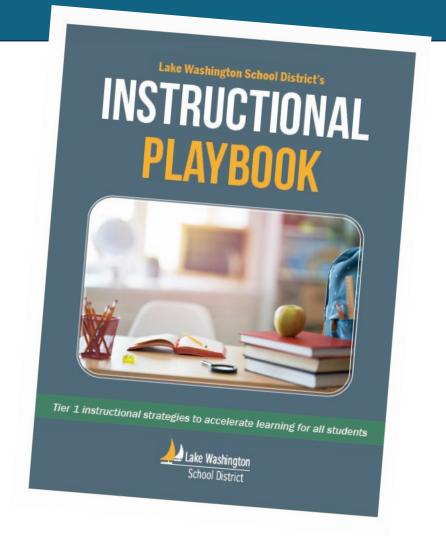
Expression of Learning

Inclusive Discussion

Student-led Questioning

Inquiry

Feedback





# Why MTSS Coaches?

(<u>M</u>ulti-<u>T</u>iered <u>S</u>ystems of <u>S</u>upport)

- Well-supported teachers have the greatest opportunity to create the conditions for student learning.
- Adults learn best when they can set goals for the students that are in front of them and have a partner to support them in achieving those goals.
- Coaching allows for agency, authentic practice, opportunities for ongoing reflection.
- Building individual teacher efficacy and collective efficacy has the highest impact on student learning.



## **Coaching to Create Exceptional Outcomes**

The art of coaching is doing, thinking, and being: doing a set of actions, holding a set of beliefs, and being in a way that results in those actions leading to change."

- Elena Aguilar



#### MTSS Intervention

Disrupt disproportionality
Systematize tiered supports

# Coaching Cycles

Beliefs and behaviors Individual efficacy High impact instruction Use of data

#### **PLC**

Promote cycle of inquiry

Collective efficacy

# Social Emotional Learning

- They **matter** to our community. We take pride in knowing each student's name, strengths, needs, and aspirations.
- They belong to our community. Our schools thrive when each student can contribute in a meaningful way.
- They are safe within our community.
   Staff and students take responsibility in nurturing both physical and psychological safety for others and themselves.



# Social Emotional Learning

#### **A Supportive Classroom Environment**

- Community building
- Belonging and safety

#### **Explicit SEL Instruction**

- Sequenced: connected and coordinated
- Active: forms of learning that help students master new skills
- Focused: clearly emphasizing development of personal and social skills
- Explicit: targeting specific social emotional skills

#### **Integration of SEL and Instruction**

- Fostering academic mindsets
- Aligning SEL and academic objectives
- Using interactive pedagogy



# LEAP: Elementary District Professional Learning

- **★** Equity (CCDEI strand)
- Instructional Playbook
- ▲ Preview Updates to TPEP
- Inclusion Focus

Integrated

DATE	TOPIC	LEAD DEPT	CONNECTIONS
OCT 11	Mandatory Training	District	
OCT 20	Making Meaning of Student Data: Student Needs & Assets on Fastbridge	Elem T&L	* •
	Instructional Planning: Leveraging data & Instructional Playbook to design instruction	Prof Learn	•
	Equitable Tier 1 Instruction Choice Sessions:		
DEC 6	A) Equitable strategies to support complex learners	SpeServices	* • • =
	B) Equitable strategies to support multilingual learners	ML Services	* • •
	C) Equitable strategies to support learners furthest from justice	Equity	* • •
FEB 7	Making Meaning of Student Data: Student Needs & Assets on MOY Fastbridge	Elem T&L	* •
	Instructional Planning: Leveraging data & Instructional Playbook to design instruction	Prof Learn	* •
MAR 8	Equity Focus: Mindful inquiry, identity and understanding diverse perspectives	Equity	* •
	PLC Choice Micro-Learning:		
	A) Inclusion and ableism in the classroom	SpcServices	★ ● ■
	B) LGBTQ+ awareness and inclusion	StuServices	* •
	C) Establishing conditions to support discussions of race into your classroom	StuServices	* •
MAR 2	Expression of Learning: Giving students options and autonomy	Elem T&L	★ ● ■
	Student Growth Goals Preview: Video introduction, walk and talk, debrief	Prof Learn	<b>A</b>
MAY 8	Social Studies Integration: Incorporating Social Studies standards & inquiry	Elem T&L	•
	Student Growth Goals Voices: Videos and examples from LWSD pilot participants	Prof Learn	_



**Examine Data** 

**Professional Learning Communities** 

**Intervention Blocks** 

**Push-in Services** 

**Small Group Instruction** 

### **Tier 2: Interventions**

# Optimistic Closure: Offerings and Gifts

What is something you want to leave this committee for thinking/consideration?

What is something that you are taking away from tonight's meeting?



# Future Meetings

Date	Time	Location
Thursday, February 1, 2024	5:00 – 7:00 pm	LWSD Resource Center Board Room
Thursday, April 4, 2024	5:00 – 7:00 pm	LWSD Resource Center Board Room

