Satisfying State Identified UIP Requirements

Early Learning Needs Assessment Planning Requirements

This document outlines the quality criteria to meet expectations in the UIP for **Early Learning Needs Assessment (ELNA)** and provides resources. For the quality criteria of all UIP requirements, visit the Unified Improvement Plan Quality Criteria.

Who: All K-3 schools with Priority Improvement or Turnaround plan types, and their LEA only if the LEA also has a Priority Improvement or Turnaround plan type

UIP Quality Criteria for "Meeting Expectations" by UIP template tab:

Priorities & Targets

K-3 + PI T	***Early Learning Needs Assessment***	The plan summarizes findings from an Early Learning Needs Assessment that meets the minimum requirements and commits to next steps based on those findings.

Action Plan

K-3 + T	***Early Learning Needs Assessment for Schools in Turnaround***	The plan identifies appropriate research-based next steps, based on the findings of an Early Learning Needs Assessment, to improve early childhood programs and partnerships.

What is it: The Early Learning Needs Assessment supports schools and districts in analyzing the needs and learning of children from birth through age 8. This process can strengthen relationships between schools, districts and early childhood partners to more accurately identify needs within the community, monitor trends, and inform the implementation of preventative strategies.

Instructions for the Current UIP Planning Cycle

- □ Indicate in your UIP any steps you have taken to assess the needs of and resources available for children eight and under across your community.
- □ Take advantage of the resources available on the Improvement Planning and Early Learning website to learn about and plan this year to conduct.
- □ Report on the completed Early Learning Needs Assessment in the site's UIP, identifying appropriate research-based next steps to improve early childhood programs and partnerships.

Resources

- Consult the Early Learning Needs Assessment Handbook for additional information.
- For a deeper dive, the Early Learning Needs Assessment Data Sources Guide contains information on data sources that may be helpful in completing this assessment.
- An ELNA should include a complete analysis of early elementary student achievement data