

# EII Presentation to the African American/Black Student Success Advisory Group

**March 5, 2021**

1. Relationships and Connections
2. EII Overview
3. Program-by-Program Overview
  - Intensive Coaching Program
  - What we are learning with SIA implementation
4. Advice and Questions



We never know how our small activities will affect others through the invisible fabric of our connectedness. In this exquisitely connected world, it's never a question of 'critical mass.' It's always about critical connections.

— Grace Lee Boggs —

**We are here to share**  
**but also, to listen.**

Moments for questions and reflections will be integrated throughout the presentation.

# Essential Questions

1. Are we getting at the right things? Do you see evidence of positive change and/or substantive progress in this work?
2. What suggestions do you have for improving our implementation going forward?
3. With regard to coaching - what do you see as the most foundational needs for districts in the realm of professional development?

# EII Overview

## **The Office of Education Innovation and Improvement exists to:**

1. Share a vision and provide support for the manifestation of a thriving educational system in Oregon for complex and dynamic times.
2. Acknowledge and address an inequitable educational system in Oregon that includes supporting students of color, students navigating poverty and disabilities, and racial or ethnic marginalized groups that have historically experienced academic disparities.
3. Support, listen and elevate the learning, capacity-building, and wisdom at district, school, community and family levels.
4. Lead and embody programs and practices that center core values of equity, accountability, responsibility, and reciprocity.
5. Advance the work of ODE through a culture that centers learning, innovation, improvement, well-being and care.

# Established in July 2019

The charge of this new office within ODE includes:

- Implementing the Student Investment Account within the Student Success Act.
- Overseeing the development and implementation of components of the Student Success Act including the coordination of cross-office projects; building coherence across ODE's use of coaches to support district improvement efforts; developing a streamlined approach to continuous improvement planning; and implementing accountability systems.
- Strengthening internal partnerships within the agency to bring more coherence to the Student Success, ESSA, IDEA, and Perkins work across all offices.
- Attending to national and worldwide education reform efforts in order to make informed decisions regarding which approach should be embraced, rejected, or modified for the Oregon model. *While the goals and objectives may be quite clearly stated, the most appropriate and acceptable approach to achieving those goals is often elusive.*

# Responsible for Six Aligned Programs

In October 2019, the Oregon Department of Education (ODE) completed an organizational “re-balancing” that brought together the current programmatic makeup of EII which includes:

1. **The Student Investment Account:** Two teams work together to launch, communicate, coach, administer, improve, and evaluate this new SSA program.
2. **District and School Effectiveness:** Federally funded and required program under ESSA focused on coaching and continuous school improvement.
3. **Intensive Coaching Program:** Also referred to as Student Success Teams, this new SSA program offers four-years of sustained engagement and intervention through invitations to districts with significant needs for improvement.
4. **High School Success:** Passed as Measure 98, this program focuses on changing instructional practices and expanding opportunities for grades 9-12.
5. **Every Day Matters:** An initiative focused on reducing chronic absenteeism through attention to student belonging and engagement.
6. **Early Intervention Information Systems:** Provides resources and TA for skilled use of data systems.



## #WholeTeamEffort

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Team	Director	Programs	Staffing (2021-23)
Systems Capacity and Improvement	Rachael Moser	Student Investment Account	22 positions
Grant Management and Monitoring	Cassie Medina		
District and School Effectiveness	Tim Boyd	Federal School Improvement State Intensive Coaching Program	9 positions
Programs and Practices	Maggie Mashia	High School Success (M98) Every Day Matters (Chron. Abs.) Early Intervention and Information Systems (EWS)	16 positions

# High School Success

# High School Success (Measure 98) History



## Ballot Measure 98

Goal: Improve graduation rates

Passed with 65% voter support (November 2016)



## High School Success Fund

\$303 million total (2019-2021)

Designed to support district & charter schools serving students in grades 9-12



## Submission of Plans to Establish or Expand:

- Dropout Prevention
- Career & Technical Education
- College Level Education Opportunities

# High School Success (Measure 98)

## What's in a High School Success Plan?

(Covers a minimum of 4 years)

Description of Eligibility • Goals & Activities • Short & Long-Term Outcomes

## How are Plans Reviewed and Approved?

Peer Review • Equity Check • ODE Approval

## How will Success be Measured?

(Annual Review of Performance Targets & Intended Outcomes)

Graduation Rates • Ninth Grade On-Track • Dropout Rate • Regular Attendance  
5-Year Completion Rate



# High School Success (Measure 98)

## Eligibility for Funds

**Eligibility for Funds:** All recipients must demonstrate eligibility for funds, including:

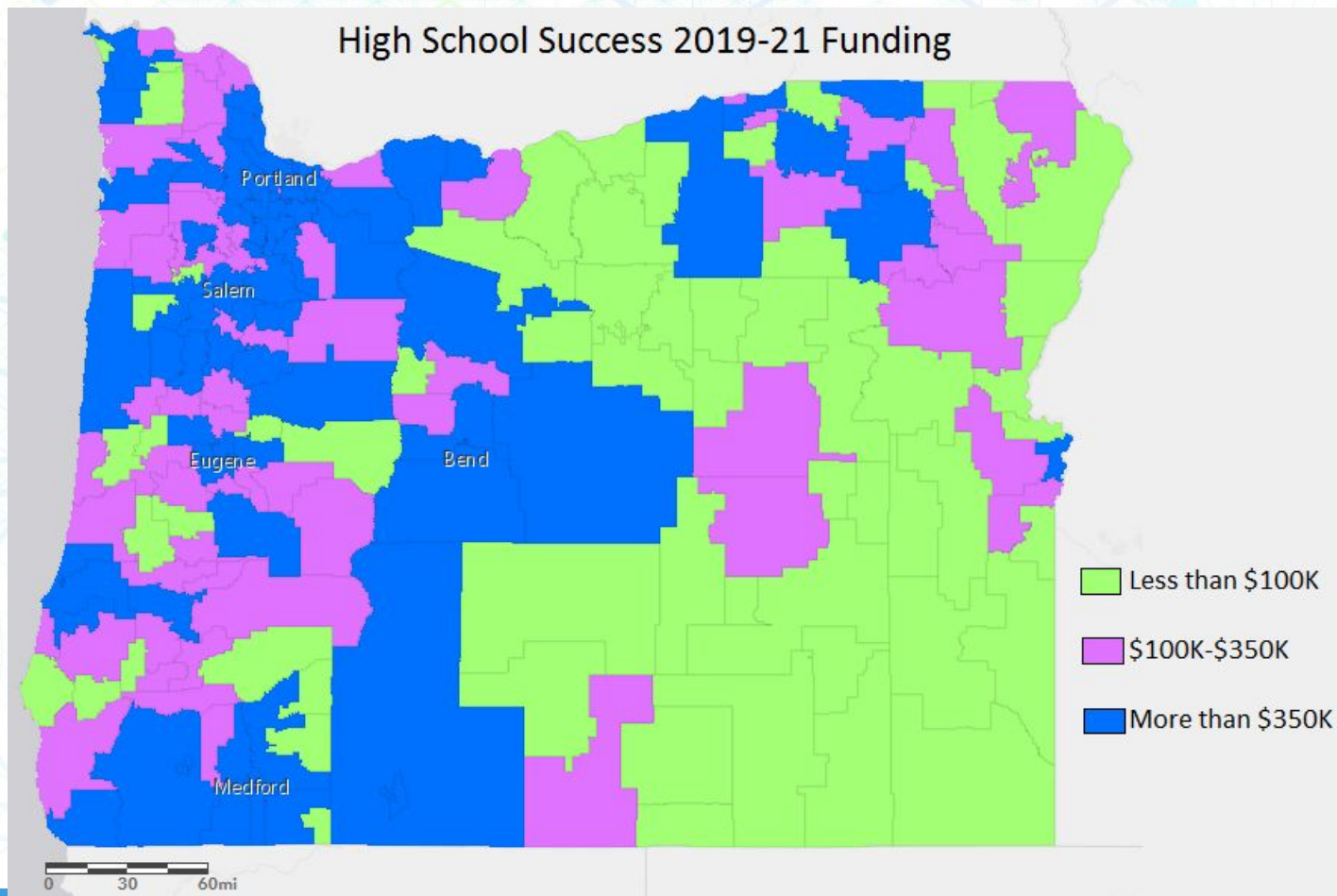
1. Teacher Collaboration Time around Data
2. Equitable Assignment of Students to Advanced Courses
3. Systems Ensuring On-time Graduation
4. Practices to Reduce Chronic Absenteeism

**Program Areas:** Depending on the level of funding, recipients must spend funds in three program areas:

- Drop-Out Prevention
- Career & Technical Education
- College-Level Opportunities

**Equity:** While not originally called out in the law, ODE staff include equity considerations in the needs assessment, application process, and peer review.

# High School Success (Measure 98) Implementation Story



# Every Day Matters

# Every Day Matters - Chronic Absenteeism History

The Chronic Absenteeism program was established in 2015 and provides \$6.4 million in funding to implement Oregon's Chronic Absenteeism Plan to increase regular attendance of students by developing a culture of care in all K-12 schools.





# Every Day Matters

## Overview of Program

### For 2019-21:

- ODE continued working directly with 27 school districts identified for targeted support in 2017-19 with the highest rates of chronic absenteeism.
  - Reviewed their root causes of chronic absenteeism to develop equity-based plans to support changing systems and adult behaviors, thereby increasing engagement of students.
  - Received grants ranging from \$27,000 to \$200,000 (2020 adjusted).
- Oregon Association of Education Service Districts (OAESD) spent \$1.5 million (2020 adjusted) on statewide support through:
  - 10 regional, ESD-housed, plans. Plans were created after a thorough review of the needs of the region, focusing on awareness and systemic changes to improve school climate and culture.
  - Professional learning in trauma-informed practices, reviews of communication and communication plans, analyses of policies that inhibit students from attending regularly, and how to use data to steer toward equity.
- **Through SB 5723 (2020 Second Special Session), funding was eliminated for the second year of the 2019-21 biennium (from \$6.4M to \$3.2M).**

# Every Day Matters

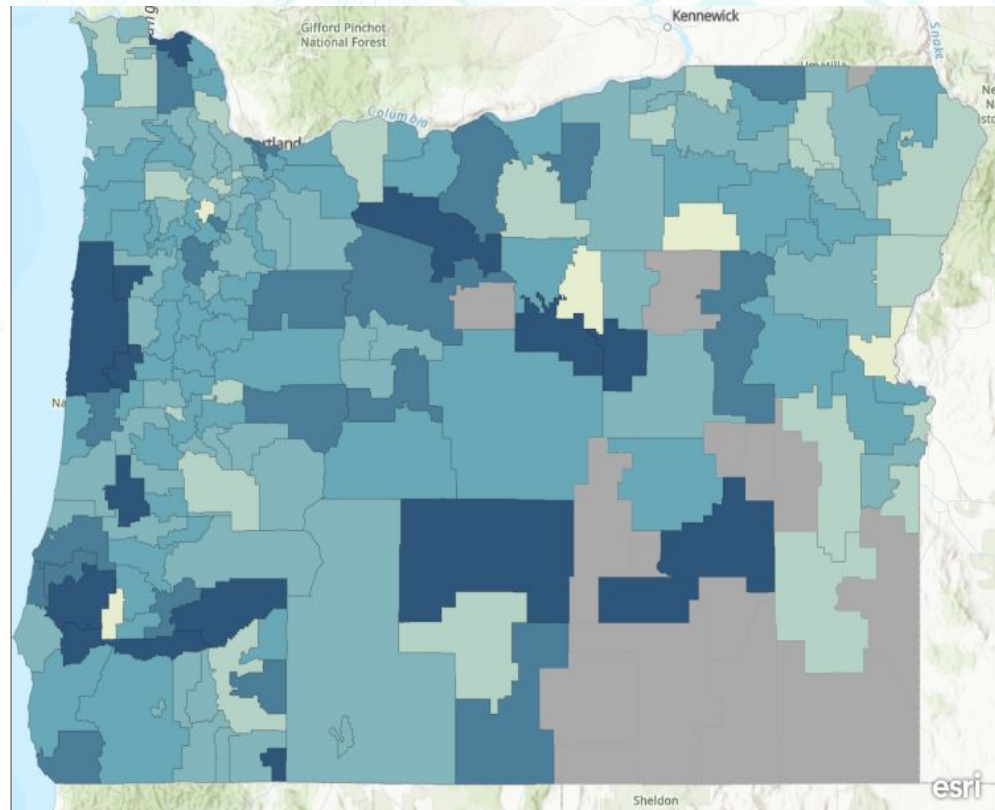
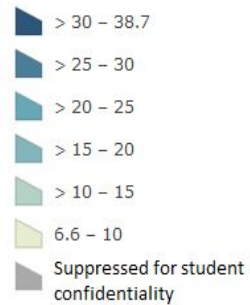
## Funding/Budget

### Where Are Students Chronically Absent in Oregon?

#### Did You Know?

In 2018-19, **112,588 students** (20.4%) were absent for 10% or more of their enrolled days.

2018-19 Chronic Absenteeism Rate



# Oregon Department of Education

## Grant-In-Aid: Student Achievement Grants (Impacts)

### Chronic Absenteeism Grants – Outcome Highlights

In a rural district, high school students who had chronic absence issues began attending 100% of the time after building strong relationships with school staff subsequent to district focus on attendance.

In a small, more rural district, one family experiencing houselessness had students in grades 1 and 3. These students had attendance rates between 60%-70%. By working with the students on what mattered to them, these students became regular attenders.

In central Oregon, one student had 30% attendance. Focusing on the root cause brought to light that the student had one pair of clothes that were washed daily. Providing support for the family and access to resources has resulted in that student's attendance improving to 70%.

In one metro district, chronic absenteeism had decreased by more than 2% midway through the 2019-2020 school year. This was down almost 5% from the 2017-2018 school year.

# Early Indicator and Intervention System

# Early Indicator and Intervention System History

The Student Success Act, House Bill 3427, creates a grant program and technical assistance to aid school districts with implementing early indicator and intervention systems (EIS).

The goal of the EIS grant program is to align school, district, and community systems to help students stay on track to graduate from high school.

# Oregon Department of Education Grant-In-Aid: District Capacity & Technical Assistance Grants

## Early Indicator and Intervention Systems

General Fund	Other Funds	Other Funds-CAT*	Federal Funds	Total Funds (CSL)
-	-	\$5.7 million	-	\$5.7 million

- ORS 327.367 (1) creates a grant program to assist school districts with implementing early indicator and intervention systems (EIS) to help students stay on track to graduate from high school.
- EIS systems can provide educators with quality and customizable tools to monitor data points and analyze key indicators of student progress, attendance and behavior, as well as the ability to monitor the effectiveness of interventions.
- \$3.6 million is available to school districts and charter schools based on their respective average daily membership, multiplied by \$3.
- In 2019-21, ODE made available grants to 127 school districts and charter schools.
- To support recipients of EIS grants, an additional \$2.1 million is allocated to provide technical assistance for activities identified in ORS 327.367 (3)

# Early Indicator and Intervention System

## Hopes Ahead:

- **Every Oregon district** will have access to a valuable tool in supporting pathways to adult success for all students
- All districts will **implement with an equity lens**
- **Community partners will be engaged** in efforts to support all students
- **Graduation rates** and future options improve for all

# Federal School Improvement Comprehensive & Targeted Support and Intervention



# CSI/TSI

## History and Overview

<u>Timeframe</u>	<u>Designation</u>	<u>Key Attributes</u>
<b>2002 - 2012 (NCLB)</b>	“Failing Schools”	Title I schools failing to meet Adequate Yearly Progress (AYP) for more than two years; focused on achievement
<b>2012 - 2016 (ESEA Flexibility Waivers)</b>	Priority & Focus Schools	The bottom 5% of Title I schools (Priority); Title I schools with student groups that fell in the bottom 5%; factored in growth to accountability model and expanded designation and support windows to four years
<b>2016 - present (ESSA)</b>	Comprehensive / Targeted Support & Intervention Schools	Expanded designation to include all schools, regardless of Title status. ESSA allows states to include measures of school quality (regular attenders in OR)

# CSI/TSI

## History and Overview

### Comprehensive Support & Intervention Schools

- Any Title I school with a Level 1 in at least half of the rated indicators.
- Any high school with a four-year graduation rate below 67%.

### Targeted Support & Intervention Schools

- Any school with a specific group of students with a Level 1 in at least half of the rated indicators, which include the four-year graduation rate and five-year completer rate.

# CSI/TSI School Breakdown

## Oregon in Context

### CSI Schools

- TOTAL: 94 CSI
- 37 “Regular” Title I
- 51 Charter / Alternative

### TSI Schools

- TOTAL: 174 TSI
- 105 Title I
- 69 Non-title
- 18 Charter
- 22 High Schools
- 32 Middle Schools
- 102 Elementary

### Distribution

- 34 districts (35%) are serving 193 schools (72%)
- 50 districts have only one ID’d school

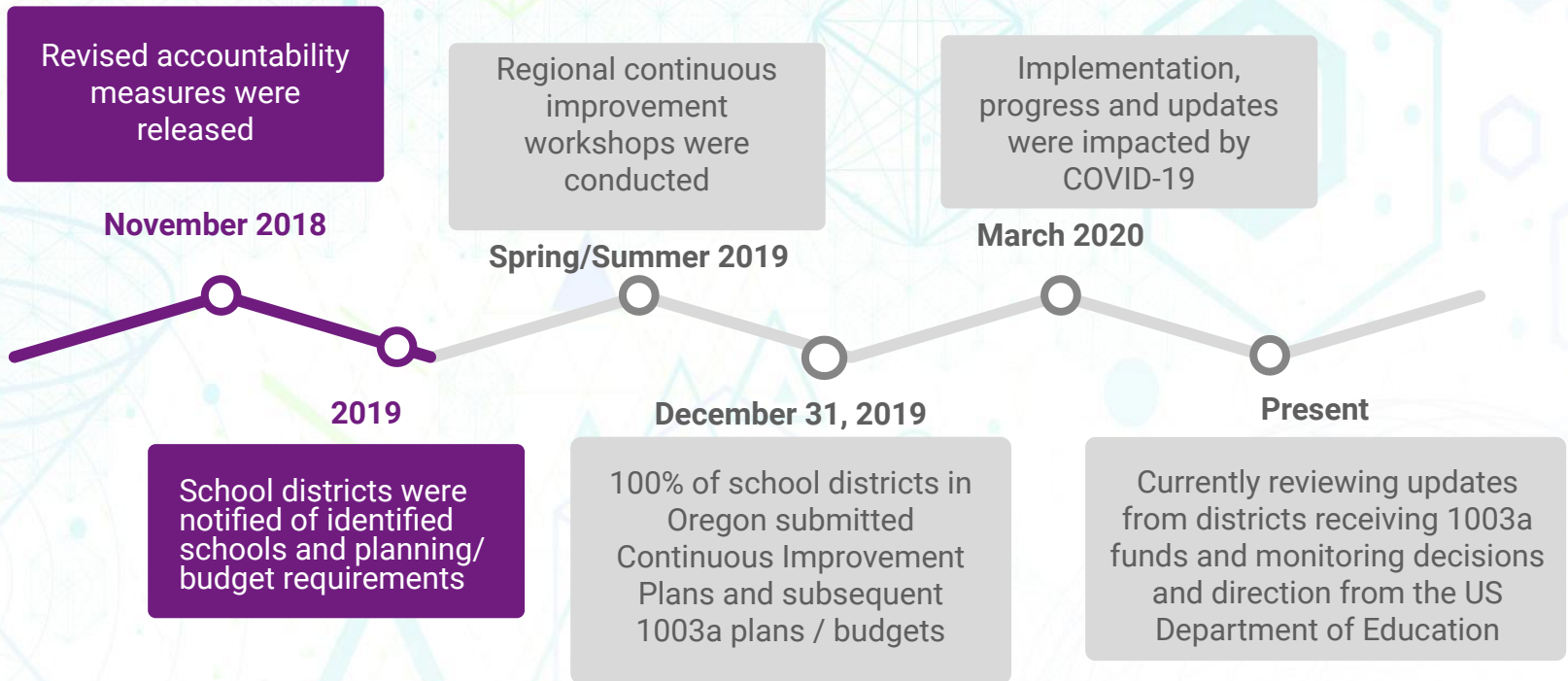
# CSI/TSI Funding

## Federal School Improvement Grants (1003a Funds)

General Fund	Other Funds	Other Funds-CAT*	Federal Funds	Total Funds (CSL)
-	-	-	≈\$10.0 million	≈\$10.0 million

- Under the Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA), states may reserve up to 7% of the total Title IA allocation and distribute to eligible schools and school districts
- Funds follow all Title IA allowability rules AND
- Activities must meet certain evidence-based provisions of the law
- **The current approach aims to situate school performance within a larger school district context**
- Developed more robust processes for plan development including community engagement and inclusion of local data / information
- Plans are approved by the department and reviewed periodically for progress and alignment
- Various changes, including COVID-19, have impacted progress and the lack of accountability data has impacted to what degree progress can be evaluated

# CSI/TSI Implementation Story



# State Intensive Coaching Program

# Oregon Department of Education

## Grant-In-Aid: Student Achievement Grants

### Intensive Coaching through Student Success Teams

General Fund	Other Funds	Other Funds-CAT*	Federal Funds	Total Funds (CSL)
-	-	\$25.0 million	-	\$25.0 million

- The Student Success Act established an Intensive Coaching Program (ICP) “for school districts with the highest needs in the state”
- The ICP represents an evolution from some past coaching models, and strives to set the right balance between support and accountability
- The 2019-21 Legislative Adopted Budget was approved at \$12.0 million for Year 2 of the biennium; however, SB 5723 (2020 Second Special Session) reduced this amount to \$4.0 million
- Decision was made to implement this program at the start of the 2021-23 biennium to ensure enough time to establish an effective program framework
- Staff are currently in the process of finalizing recruitment processes for Student Success Team stewards; finalizing a list of eligible districts to begin invitations; and establishing grant agreements for participant districts
- When fully implemented, the Department anticipates that \$25 million of grants and supports will be provided to between 5 to 8 highest-need school districts in the state

\* Corporate Activities Tax dedicated to support the Student Success Act of 2019.

# Program Details

Several data models were developed to establish a list of eligible districts. Those models took into consideration a needs index and an outcomes index.

- **Needs** – determined by percentages of students who are experiencing poverty, historically underserved, ever English Language Learners or receiving special education services under an IEP or 504 plan
- **Outcomes** – an index comprised of the four common metrics articulated in the SIA (3<sup>rd</sup> grade reading, 9<sup>th</sup> grade on-track, attendance rates, and graduation rates)



# Data & Eligibility

This intensive program is by invitation and only school districts are eligible.

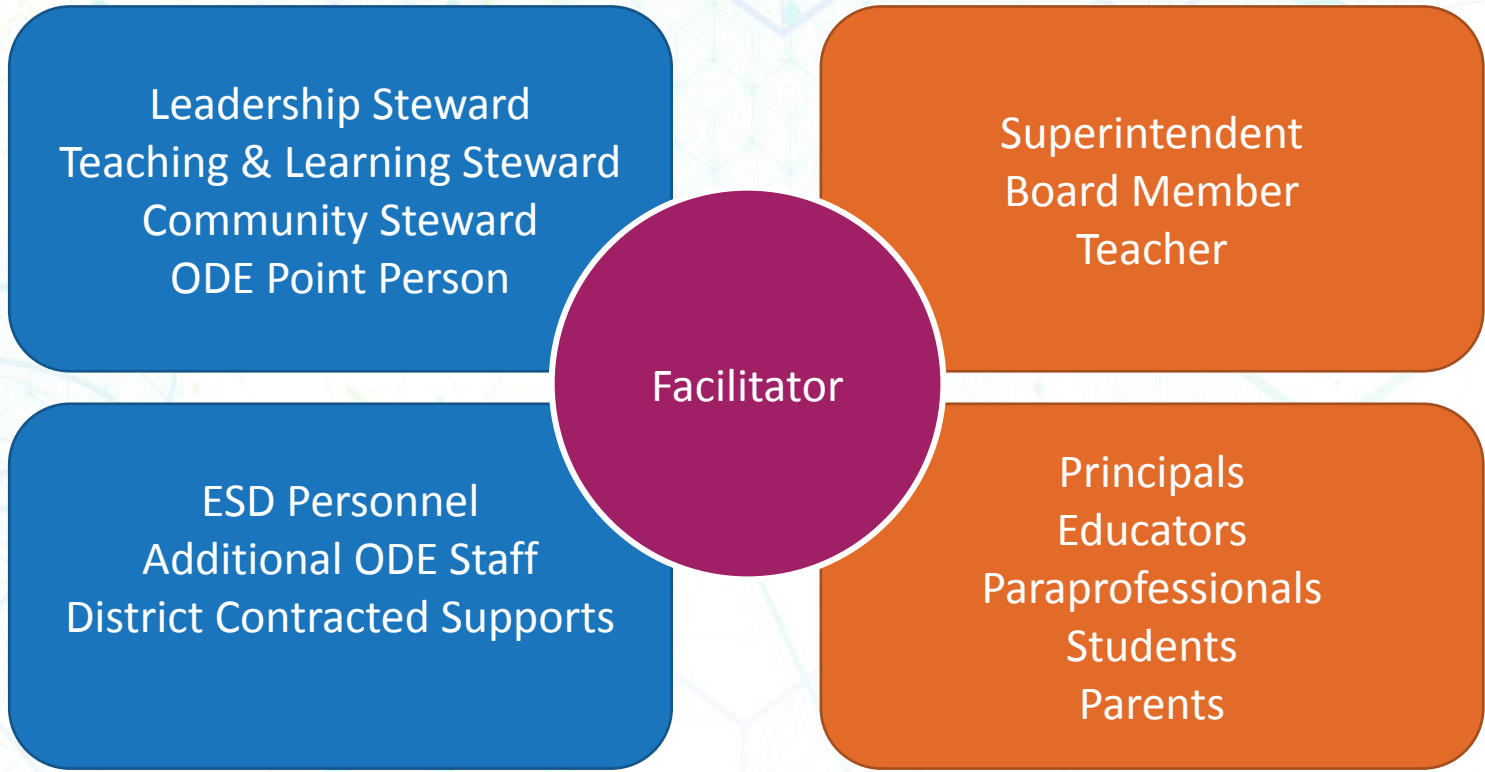
School districts opt into the program for additional support and funding.

The ICP requires **at least four years** of participation.

# Student Success Teams

This program represents an evolution from some past coaching models where a single person supports the school district to a team approach. The linchpin of this program is the **Student Success Team**.

The Student Success Team (SST) makes recommendations to the school district. The district **must** follow the SST's recommendations as they relate to Student Investment Account funding and additional funding from their participation in the Intensive Coaching Program.



# Funding

Districts that agree to participate are eligible for additional funding from the Statewide Education Initiatives Account.

The additional funding shall be based on rules adopted by the State Board of Education **and** shall be calculated based on the ADMw of the school district, as calculated under section 13 of this 2019 Act.

# Intensive Coaching and Student Success Teams

## Where We Are & Where We're Going

### → Currently:

- Finalizing RFP for stewards and starting recruitment
- Developing RFP for professional development
- Reviewing available data to finalize eligible districts list
- Create communications plan to invite districts

### → Fall 2021:

- Stewards hired. TA provider secured. Districts invited + accepted.

# Student Investment Account

# Student Investment Account History

The Student Success Act was passed in May 2019, and provides funding for three accounts:

At Least 20% Early Learning Account

At least 50% Student Investment Account

Up to 30% Statewide Education Initiatives Account



# Student Investment Account

## Funding/Budget

### Student Investment Account

Close to a **\$500 150 million investment** in non-competitive grant money for districts and eligible charter schools.

#### **The purpose of the fund is to:**

1. Meet students' mental and behavioral health needs.
2. Increase academic achievement & reduce academic disparities for:
  - Students of color; Students with disabilities; Emerging bilingual students; and Students navigating poverty, homelessness, and foster care; and
  - Other student groups that have historically experienced academic disparities.

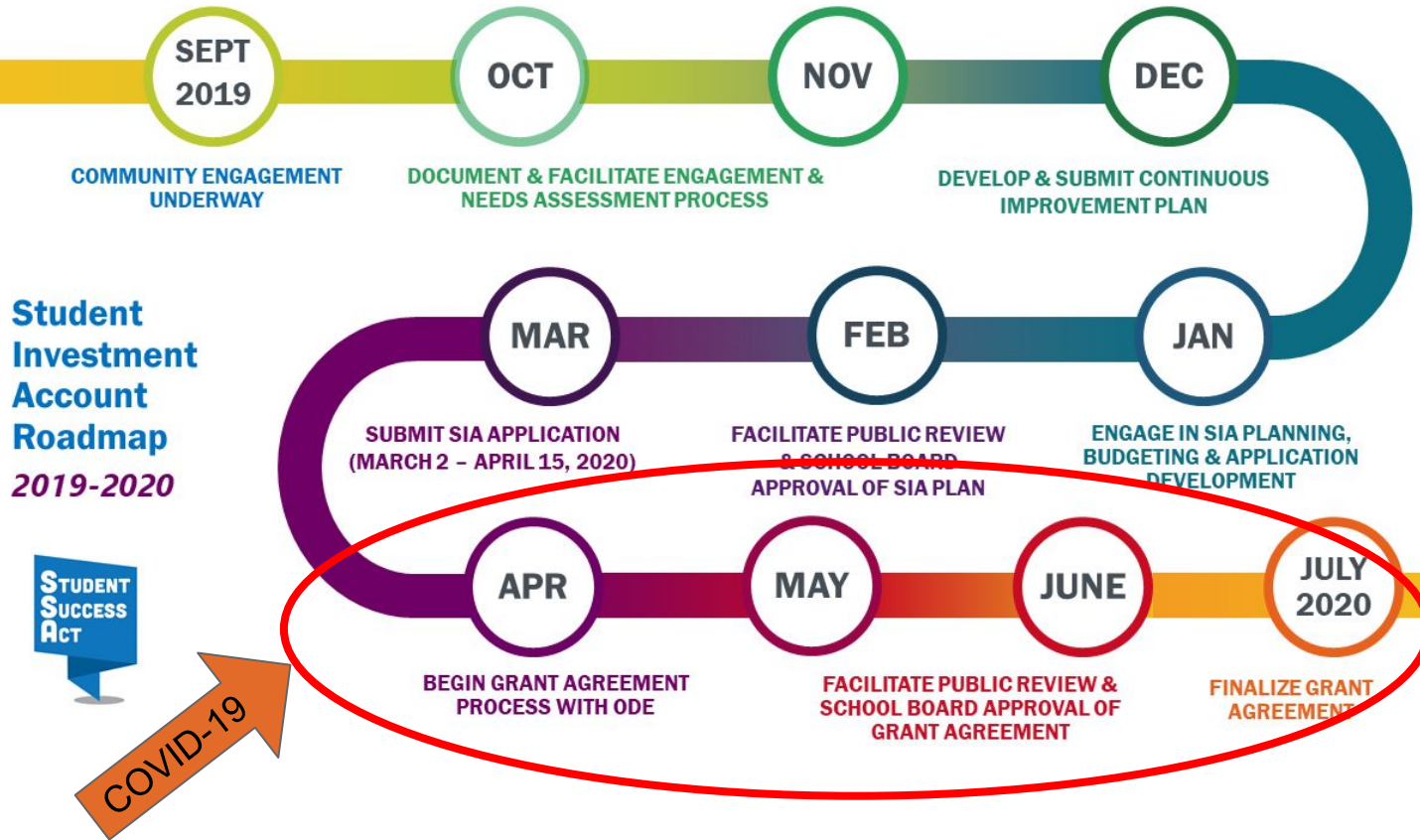


# Student Investment Account Eligibility for Funds

All Oregon School Districts and eligible charter schools are eligible to apply for the non-competitive SIA grant funds. To apply for funding for the 2020-21 school year, school districts and eligible charter schools needed to submit an SIA application by April 15, 2020. The only way an applicant loses access to their grant funds would be not engaging and completing work to meet application requirements that need attention following ODE's review.

The SIA requires all eligible applicants to engage focal student groups, their families, the broader community, and staff to gather input to inform their SIA plan, including planned investments within the allowable use areas.

# Covid Impacts



## COVID Impacts:

- Starting in April, timeline delayed while awaiting clarity from Legislature

- Reduction in funding for 2020-21 school year from \$472 M to \$150 M

- Release of Longitudinal Performance Growth Targets for 2020-21 school year only

- Encouragement from Legislature for applicants to prioritize meeting mental or behavioral health needs

- SIA Plan Adjustments and Amendment process for 2021-23 biennium

# Community Engagement Resources



Beth Conyers, Portland Public Schools

## Student Investment Account Engagement Toolkit


*A Resource for Oregon School Leaders to use in Support of the Student Success Act*

Final Guidance • October 2019



### Tools You Can Use!

An asterisk (\*) indicates a translated version is in the works. Documents intended for printing also have a text-only version so those using screen readers can access it.




**Student Success Act Handout**

Read first. This tool is intended to provide a picture of how the different templates and tools can fit together.

**Start Here! Guidance**


Read first. This tool is intended to provide a picture of how the different templates and tools can fit together.



**Social Media Sample Messages**

Utilize social media to build awareness about the Student Success Act and your district's efforts. Don't forget to use the #StudentSuccessAct hashtag!


[English Version](#)  
[Spanish Version](#)  
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**Community Input Session Email Message**


Customize this message and share with students, families and staff.

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**Roadmap**


A handy visual for planning purposes.



**Student Success Act Handout**

Share this handout with educators, students, parents, families, school board members and your community.

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**Student Success Logo and Social Media Graphics**

Include the logo on your materials!

[Blue Banner](#)  
[White Banner with Transparent Background](#)  
[Blue Vertical Logo](#)  
[White Vertical Logo with Transparent Background](#)

Use these images with your social media posts!


[Join In](#)  
[Our Students, Our Success](#)



**Community Input Session Flyer**

Customize this message and share with students, families and staff.

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**Letter to Staff**

Generate awareness using this back to school letter to staff.

Released Fall 2019

# SIA Guidance Found to be Valuable

DECEMBER 2019

+ STUDENT INVESTMENT ACCOUNT

## GUIDANCE FOR ELIGIBLE APPLICANTS

A COMPREHENSIVE RESOURCE.

The purpose of this document is to provide comprehensive guidance for Oregon school districts and eligible charter schools to complete the planning process and prepare to submit an application for Student Investment Account funds. Several of the sections have also been published as stand-alone documents in the case that sharing or using them in more digestible segments is preferred.



DECEMBER 2019

○ A STARTING POINT

### PULLING THE PIECES TOGETHER

A COLLECTION OF ESSENTIAL INFORMATION TO SUPPORT SIA PLANNING.

The purpose of this document is to provide comprehensive guidance for Oregon school districts and eligible charter schools to complete the planning process and prepare to submit an application for Student Investment Account funds.



DECEMBER 2019

○ SIA APPLICATION PREVIEW

### PREPARE & PLAN FOR APPLICATION SUBMISSION

A COMPLETE LOOK AT HOW YOU WILL APPLY FOR STUDENT INVESTMENT ACCOUNT FUNDS.

This preview of the SIA application is created for informational purposes only. It shows the content of what applicants will be asked to submit through an application portal. Please only use it as a tool to plan or prep.



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○ EVALUATION AND REVIEW PROCESS

### HOW APPLICATIONS WILL BE EVALUATED

A GUIDE FOR UNDERSTANDING ODE'S PROCESS FOR APPLICATION EVALUATION AND REVIEW.

This step helps make up the SIA application review process and will be updated to ensure the application meets the requirements outlined in Section 34 of the law, informed by the needs and priorities shared in this document.



DECEMBER 2019

○ LONGITUDINAL PERFORMANCE GROWTH TARGETS

### CREATE A COMMON & CUSTOMIZED FRAMEWORK

HOW TO DESIGN YOUR MONITORING AND EVALUATION SYSTEM.

The following information and guidance is set out by the Oregon Department of Education (ODE) for all districts with their intent of development of longitudinal performance growth targets, progress markers and internal local metrics.



DECEMBER 2019

○ ACCOUNTING AND REPORTING

### FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT OF SIA FUNDS

REQUIREMENTS FOR GRANT RECIPIENTS AND RESPONSIBILITIES OF ODE.

All grant recipients are responsible for the financial management and accounting of SIA funds in partnership with the Oregon Department of Education. This resource is intended for school leaders and business managers.



DECEMBER 2019

○ REDEFINING OUR APPROACH TO IMPROVEMENT

### RESPONSIVE SUPPORTS FOR SYSTEMS IMPROVEMENT

LEARN ABOUT SIA TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE AND COACHING SUPPORTS.

All grant recipients have access to supports for implementation of SIA funds. This resource offers an initial picture of the long-term vision for technical assistance and coaching provided by ODE.



DECEMBER 2019

○ CHARTER SCHOOLS

### DISTRICTS WITH PARTICIPATING CHARTER SCHOOLS

A RESOURCE TO HELP DISTRICTS AND PARTICIPATING CHARTER SCHOOLS DEVELOP SIA AGREEMENTS.

The purpose of this document is to provide additional information and access to an SIA template agreement for use by districts who have charter schools participating alongside them in the SIA grant application process.



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○ APPENDICES

### FOR REFERENCE

REVIEW THESE ESSENTIAL RESOURCES FOR SIA PLANNING.

All applicants are required to consider the recommendations under the Quality Education Model (QEM). To document this work, ODE has developed a voluntary, non-binding prior SIA resource. Applicants must apply and describe their use of an equity lens or tool. Applicants may use the ODE provided equity lens.



# ESD SSA Liaison Partnership

## ESD SSA Support Shared Workspace

### Agenda for 4/3 call + recording

1. Welcome and agenda review
2. News, updates, needs, and offers
  - a. [SIA Grant Application Form](#) open to accepting incomplete applications
    - i. 2 new questions in Section 2:
      1. Is this a complete SIA Grant Application? (Yes/No) - required question
      2. Please share which sections or parts of the application are incomplete and/or what supports you need to complete these sections or parts. - optional question
  - b. [Snapshot of Applications/Review](#)
    - i. Teams developing presentation templates upon review of applications
  - c. [Online Engagement Guidance released](#)
  - d. [Webpage with submitted SIA Applications](#)
    - i. Links generated from SIA grant applications. Many districts submitted their district homepage and have not posted their grant applications (or it's shifted off the main page).
  - e. Biweekly calls scheduled through at least end of June
  - f. [COVID Resources Webpage](#)
3. Focus for day
  - a. ESD Poll
    - i. [District Application Status](#) - mark an "x" for close to submitting or far from submitting
    - ii. What supports are you hearing districts need in order to meet the 4/15 deadline (compiling info, creating response to SIA questions, facilitating public comment, hosting virtual board meeting, entering responses in Google Form, other)?
    - iii. What's your ESD's capacity to fulfill these needed supports?
    - iv. What supports do you need as an ESD to continue to support districts?
      1. Amber - Possible supports for our liaisons might be how to guide our districts in concerns about future adjustment of plans if needed due to possible funding changes that may impact current plans and result in possible need of adjustment.

Beginning November 8, 2019, the SIA team has connected with ESD SSA Liaisons on a weekly or biweekly basis to preview information, share updates, gather feedback, and answer questions

# Applicant Community Engagement

## District-wide Black Student Union Family Night

Hosted By:  
 Dr. Lisa McCall, Assistant Superintendent  
 Amber Fields, Director of Secondary  
 Zinnia Un, District Equity & Inclusion Coordinator



### Community Discussion:

How do you believe SSA funds should support our Black Students & Families?

We want to hear your voice!

BSU MEMBERS AND FAMILIES ARE INVITED TO DISCUSS THE BSU AFFINITY PROGRAM AND OPPORTUNITIES TO EXPAND WITH THE STUDENT SUCCESS ACT - STUDENT INVESTMENT ACCOUNT

JANUARY 28, 2020 | 6 PM - 8 PM  
 DISTRICT OFFICE, 6960 SW SANDBURG ST.  
 TIGARD, OR 97223

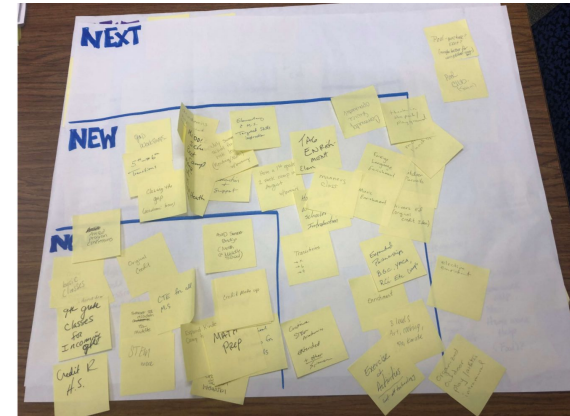


Raffle Door Prizes

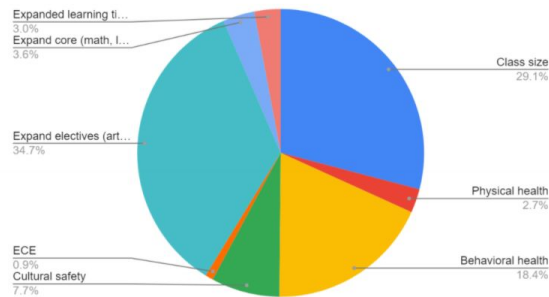
RSVP at [bit.ly/2R2uqn5](https://bit.ly/2R2uqn5) or Scan



Questions? Please contact  
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### SSA Priorities - Identify Person or Student of Color




# Values for Application Review

1. Keep it as simple as possible.
2. Offer the right amount of challenge and support.
3. Treat “complying with application requirements” like educators treat student work.
4. Grow shared responsibility and public confidence.
5. Lay groundwork to increase alignment between state and federal investments and initiatives.

# ODE Reviewer Portal

ODE Reviewers had access to their individual review portal, which included links to the SIA applications that had been assigned to them for review. The portal also notified reviewers when an application was ready for a joint assessment to be made, meaning that both reviewers had completed their individual review.

## GRANT REVIEWER PORTAL



**Before You Begin:** You will work from two Smartsheet Forms in order to individually review the SIA Grant Applications you are assigned. The first form is under the "Your Applications" tab and allows you to access and read the SIA Grant Applications assigned to you. The second, located under the "Your Reviews" tab, is where you will document your individual review by using the meets / does not meets criteria.

For ease of reading and reviewing, we suggest you have one browser tab with the SIA Grant Application and another with the Review screen. A separate form is used to make a Joint Assessment. Once you and your ODE Review partner complete your individual reviews, you will be notified. Together, you will make a Joint Assessment.

**SIA QUICK LINKS**

- [Student Investment Account Webpage](#)
- [SIA Applicant Guidance](#)
- [In-Person Training for ODE Reviewers](#)

YOUR APPLICATIONS

YOUR REVIEWS

READY FOR JOINT ASSESSMENT

Reviewer Type	District or Charter School	Section on Application Form
Reviewer 1	Gladstone SD 115 - 1931	<a href="#">Gladstone SD 115 - 1931 - SIA Grant Application</a>
Reviewer 2	Salem-Keizer SD 24J - 2142	<a href="#">SIA Grant Application</a>
Reviewer 1	Arock SD 81 - 2115	<a href="#">SIA Grant Application</a>
Reviewer 1	Vale SD 84 - 2116	<a href="#">SIA Grant Application</a>
Reviewer 2	Vale SD 84 - 2116	<a href="#">SIA Grant Application</a>

Reviewer	District or Charter School	Section #
Reviewer 1	Gladstone SD 115 - 1931	<a href="#">R1-ODE Evaluation Requirements</a>
Reviewer 2	Salem-Keizer SD 24J - 2142	<a href="#">R2-ODE Evaluation Requirements</a>
Reviewer 1	Arock SD 81 - 2115	<a href="#">R1-ODE Evaluation Requirements</a>
Reviewer 1	Vale SD 84 - 2116	<a href="#">R1-ODE Evaluation Requirements</a>
Reviewer 2	Vale SD 84 - 2116	<a href="#">R2-ODE Evaluation Requirements</a>

District or Charter School	ODE Reviewer 1	ODE Reviewer 2	Reviewer Assessment
Vale SD 84 - 2116	Jordan Heide	Jordan Heide	Application Meets Requirements



# August 2020 Special Session

- 1) \$150M in grant funding to distribute for the 2020-21 school year
  - ODE has since released the [revised allocation estimates](#) based on this level of funding
- 2) Passed [HB 4304](#), where Section 70 addresses some adjustments for the 2020-21 school year
  - Release of Longitudinal Performance Growth Targets for this school year only; ODE introduced [Progress Markers](#) for monitoring and evaluation framework
  - State Board of Education adopted [temporary rules](#) for moving forward with amended SIA plans/budgets for 2020-21 school year
  - Recipients should prioritize meeting students' mental and behavioral health needs; ODE did not formally narrow the allowable use areas

# Changes & Plan Amendments

Applicants that met requirements with small changes or did not meet requirements were asked to submit additional information or changes to meet requirements. Once applicants submitted this information it was filed, and was then reviewed and approved by Application Managers.

In light of the reduction in SIA funding, the legislature provided ODE with the opportunity to create a process for plan amendments. The SIA team developed temporary rules adopted by the State Board in September to create a process for plan adjustments and amendments.

		Plan/Budget Amendments	
		If your district/school doesn't plan to make plan/budget amendments	If your district/school plans to make plan/budget amendments
Original Application Requirements	If your application has met requirements	Then, your district/school doesn't need to submit any additional information at this time. You will be moved into the grant agreement process.	Then, your district/school must submit an updated plan and budget. The updated plan and budget must be available for public comment and approved by the local school board. Once approved, you will be moved into the grant agreement process.
	If your application hasn't yet met requirements (includes applicants who meet with small changes and who don't meet requirements)	Then, your district/school must submit required changes previously communicated. Once approved, you will be moved into the grant agreement process.	Then, your district/school must submit required changes previously communicated as well as an updated plan and budget. The updated plan and budget must be available for public comment and approved by the local school board. Once approved, you will move into the grant agreement process.

# March Status Updates

- 98% or 203 applications of the 207 applications received have been reviewed
  - One application is still in review
  - Remaining 3 applications are incomplete and ODE is working with those applicants to submit the missing pieces before the applications are reviewed
- 98% or 202 recipients have received a grant agreement
  - 95% or 196 recipients have a fully executed grant agreements
  - 138 grant recipients have submitted at least one claim for SIA funds

# SIA Work in Progress

- Reviewing programmatic and financial progress reports submitted by recipients by 1/31/21
- Launching an RFP for SIA Technical Assistance and Coaching dollars
- Releasing a refresh of the Community Engagement Toolkit
- Recruiting and hiring of additional teammates
- Creating alignment with other initiatives

# Opportunities for Alignment

- Technical assistance and coaching to support grantees in considering ways to use SIA funds to invest in activities and strategies connected to the African American Black Student Success Plan and other SEIA programs/initiatives

School Name	County	Student Enrollment	Black/African American Students	Black % Rank	Activity 1	Activity 1 Ref	Activity 2	Activity 2 Ref	Activity 3	Activity 3 Ref	Notes:
Parkrose SD 3	Multnomah	3,068	15%	1	Develop scholarship program for teacher <b>pathway program</b> for classified staff to recruit and retain <b>staff of color</b> in Parkrose.	staff of color					No detailed plan. Just planning template. Do have specific activities for other focal pops.
David Douglas SD 40	Multnomah	9,719	12%	2	add <b>racial equity training</b> at one school	all staff					They tie a lot of general supports (e.g., reduced class size) to equity
Portland SD 1J	Multnomah	48,559	9%	3	Increase funding to RESJ (Racial Equity Social Justice) Partnership contracts with culturally specific organizations in five strategy areas. Improves academic success for <b>students of color</b> . Services are provided by racially diverse staff	students of color, esp. <b>Black</b> and Native students	Align recruitment, hiring, placement, support, and retention criteria and processes with the Educator Essentials and racial equity competencies to diversify our workforce, especially <b>Black</b> and Native educators, to reflect our student demographics.	"especially Black and Native educators"			Many references to "underserved," "racial equity," "students of color"
Reynolds SD 7	Multnomah	10,940	9%	4	Culturally Responsive Curriculum	students					
Centennial SD 28J	Multnomah	6,099	8%	5	Increase academic support and targeted interventions for <b>historically underserved</b> populations.	HU pops	<b>Culturally Responsive</b> Educational Training	staff			Funds will be utilized to increase academic supports and targeted interventions for our focal student groups. We will increase social-emotional, mental health and behavioral support for all students. Providing more optimal staff-student ratios and class size in high need situations will promote equity and strengthen the health of our district overall.

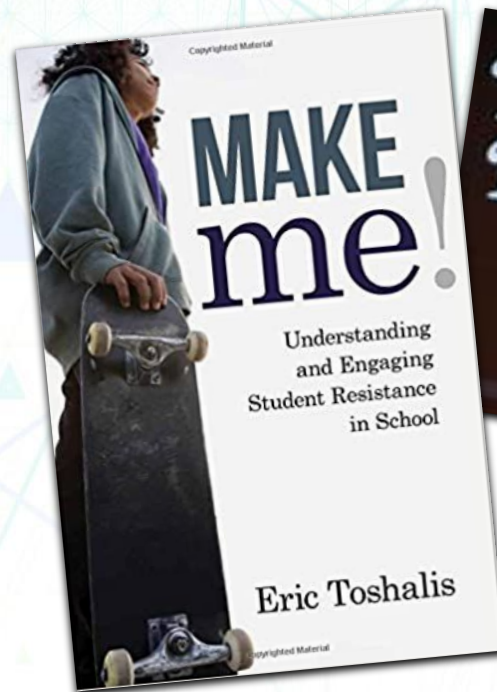
# Lessons Learned or Learning

- The real promise of the law and the potential for broken promises
- Structural and networked learning roles of ESDs and CBOs
- Early signs of knowledge mobilization - and limited more to engagement, application so far and not yet with school practice or curriculum
- Need to deepen and broadly share learning on outcome mapping methodology

# EII Moving Forward

# Culturally-Sustaining/Revitalizing Pedagogy

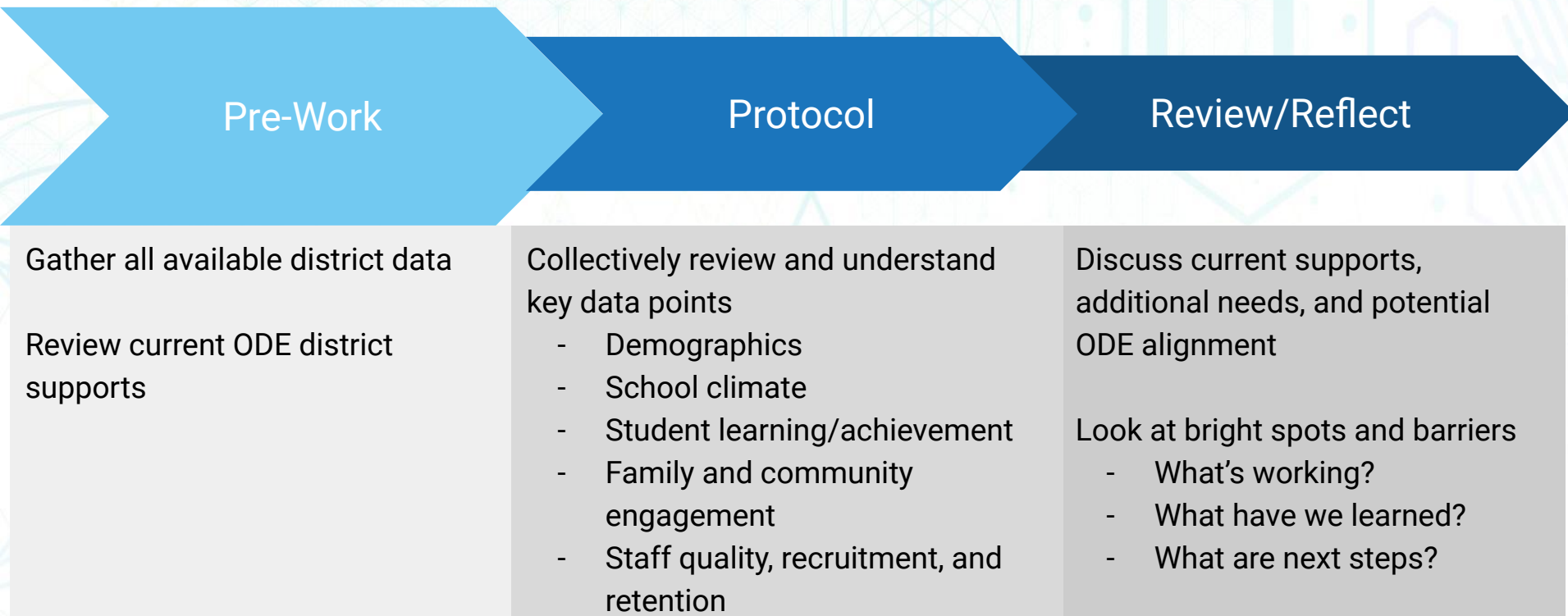
- Framing chronic absenteeism as a symptom of inequity, and placing the burden for change on the system rather than on students and families
- Locating the drivers of chronic absenteeism in our policies, procedures, instruction, assessment, discipline, and family engagement
- Highlighting the elements that districts, schools, and educators control that can make a difference in reversing trends, and bracketing the things that we cannot control





# Running Towards Alignment

**District Protocol Staffing Objective:** Based on deep understanding of a district's data and needs, ELL staff work to collectively align ongoing and new supports to improve district outcomes.



# SIA Community Engagement Spectrum

STANCE TOWARDS COMMUNITY	0   IGNORE	1   INFORM	2   CONSULT	3   INVOLVE	4   COLLABORATE	5   DEFER
INTENTION & POTENTIAL IMPACT TO CONSIDER	Protecting School/District Interests <i>Marginalizing Communities</i>	Keeping Communities Updated <i>Placating &amp; Underestimating Community Wisdom</i>	Receiving Community Input <i>Tokenizing &amp; Gatekeeping Community Engagement</i>	Meaningfully Engaging Community Voice <i>Community Voice is Not Heard</i>	Collaborating and Sharing Power with Communities <i>Collaborative Process Derailed by Power Dynamics</i>	Communities Drive and Own the Work <i>Sovereignty and Core Agreements are Not Honored</i>
COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT GOALS	Deny access to decision-making processes	Provide students, families & community with relevant information	Gather input from students, families & community	Ensure students, families & community needs and assets are integrated into process & inform planning	Ensure student, family & community capacity play a leadership role in implementation of decisions	Foster lasting educational equity through community-driven schools that are culturally rooted and responsive to whole and sovereign people and communities
EXAMPLE ENGAGEMENT METHODS	Closed door meeting Misinformation Systematic	Fact sheets Open houses Presentations Billboards or school electronic boards Videos Social media posts	Input sessions Focus groups Empathy interviews Surveys	Community organizing & advocacy House meetings Interactive workshops & forums with accessibility considerations Student & Parent/Family Advisory Committees	MOUs with Community-based organizations Leadership Development Community organizing Collaborative design and facilitation of community forums to ensure voice & accessibility	Community-driven planning Student or Parent/Family led community forums to assess challenges and develop solutions Consensus building Participatory Action Research and community-driven initiatives Participatory budgeting Community schools
HOW COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT EXISTS IN SIA PLAN ASSOCIATED CHALLENGE	Focal student groups not acknowledged and/or subsumed in another category (e.g. students of color lumped into students experiencing poverty)  <i>Students of color continue to be invisibilized by a system of White Supremacy</i>	Communities informed that SIA is occurring but not engaged for input  <i>Communities are required statutorily to receive SIA funds but do not actually matter for real input</i>	Data (including disaggregated data) is used as primary resource to inform SIA strategies/activities  <i>Communities are only engaged once in the process of SIA plan creation and follow-through is limited</i>	Tribal consultation and engagement is central to the development of SIA plans  <i>Community (and Tribal) voice is taken but not actually incorporated</i>	Partnerships with community-based organizations, organizers, and other agencies  <i>Partnerships are created but not honored through continual reciprocity and shared work</i>	Task forces and committees with decision-making power composed of community members, target focal groups, and staff  <i>Decision-making is rhetorically granted but in practice not deferred and shared with community</i>

# Essential Questions

1. Are we getting at the right things? Do you see evidence of positive change and/or substantive progress in this work?
2. What suggestions do you have for improving our implementation going forward?
3. With regard to coaching - what do you see as the most foundational needs for districts in the realm of professional development?

# Advice and Questions