

# For the 2022-2023 school year,

In September, principals met with district leadership to set academic goals based on data from the 2021-2022 school year.

NC Checkins are administered for reading, math, and science for grades 3-8, Biology, Math I, Math III, and English II. These data points are combined with teacher-created and common formative assessments to inform and make instructional modifications to address student needs. Data meetings are scheduled with principals once the data from the Checkins is received in order to review school strengths, areas of opportunity, and next steps.

- Each quarter, grade span and content-specific meetings are held for grades K-8. Where available, data is shared with teachers and trends across the district are identified and addressed.
- Instructional coaches meet monthly to discuss teaching and learning trends across the district, plan for systemwide professional development needs and receive updates for dissemination to teachers.
- All middle schools are engaged in *Learning Focused*, a professional development series focused on instructional best practices and meaningful student engagement.

## What is NC Star?

A web-based tool that guides a school leadership team in charting its improvement and managing the continuous improvement process.

Benefits:

- TEAM process
- State accessibility to real time work
- Interactive, online coaching feature
- Electronic submissions
- Indicators of effective practice
- Research support

#### The 12 Key NCStar Indicators

- ALL teachers employ effective classroom management and reinforce classroom rules and procedures by positively teaching them (A1.07)
- Instructional Teams develop standards-aligned units of instruction for each subject and grade level (A2.04)
- The school implements a tiered instructional system that allows teachers to deliver evidence-based instruction aligned with the individual needs of students across all tiers (A4.01)
- ALL teachers are attentive to students' emotional states, guide students in managing their emotions, and arrange for supports and interventions. (A4.06)
- The school develops and implements consistent, intentional, and on-going plans to support student transitions for grade-to-grade and level-to-level. (A4.16)
- The LEA has an LEA Support & Improvement Team (B1.01)
- A Leadership Team consisting of the principal, teachers who lead the Instructional Teams, and other professional staff meets regularly (at least twice a month) to review implementation of effective practices. (B1.03)
- The school has established a team structure among teachers with specific duties and time for instructional planning. (B2.03)
- The principal monitors curriculum and classroom instruction regularly and provides timely, clear, constructive feedback to teachers. (B3.03)
- The LEA/School regularly looks at school performance data and aggregated classroom observation data and uses that data to make decisions about school improvement and professional development needs. (C2.01)
- The LEA/School has established a system of procedures and protocols for recruiting, evaluating, rewarding, and replacing staff. (C3.04)
- The school regularly communicates with parents/guardians about its expectations of them and the importance of the curriculum of the home (what parents can do at home to support their children's learning). (E1.06)



#### The NCStar Continuous Improvement Cycle



**Items for** 

Review

Comprehensive plan for each school. This includes assessment of all twelve NC Star indicators with 3-5 indicators chosen as priorities for the 2022-2023 school year.

• <u>Goal-setting document</u> for each school (resembles more of the "traditional" school improvement plan; includes EOG/EOC specific goals)

### **Reminders:**

- Schools with low-performing designations will submit approved SIPs to DPI tomorrow. We will await feedback from DPI and, if necessary, make changes to the approved plans.
- TSI schools (FMS, FES, CCMS, TLMS, & LoMES) must notify parents of designation by the end of November.

# Thank you. Any Questions?