# Advanced Literacy Leadership Teams: Planning for Impact

# Session 1



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## **Objectives**



Reflect on the current state of the Literacy Leadership Team (LLT).



Engage in a collaborative problemsolving process around identified areas for growth.



## Foundations of a High-Performing Literacy Leadership Team

#### Mission statement that sets purpose

Collective vision of effective literacy instruction

#### High level of stakeholder commitment

Clearly defined roles for team members

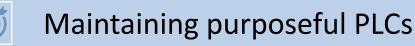


#### Primary Functions of a h-Performing Literacy Leadership 1

#### **High-Performing Literacy Leadership Team**



Analyzing data/making data-driven decisions





Planning professional learning opportunities



Implementing a process for monitoring, reflecting and providing feedback on literacy instruction



Ensuring resources, materials and schedules support literacy instruction effectively



#### What makes education effective?

#### "Well-leveraged leadership that ensures great teaching to guarantee great learning."

Bambrick-Santoyo, P. (2018)





#### **Effective Systems Drive High-Performing LLTs**



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## Indicators of High Performing Literacy Leadership Teams





Exceptional results that exceed expectations

Replicable results – replicable systems and structures others can follow



#### **Literacy Capacity Survey**

Importance rating:	5 = Very Important	Important	Current
	1 = Not Important	to Our	Practice
Practice Rating:	5 = Frequent or common practice at this school. 1 = An infrequent or rare occurrence at this school.	School's Literacy Initiative	at Our School





#### Collaborative Leadership and School Capacity





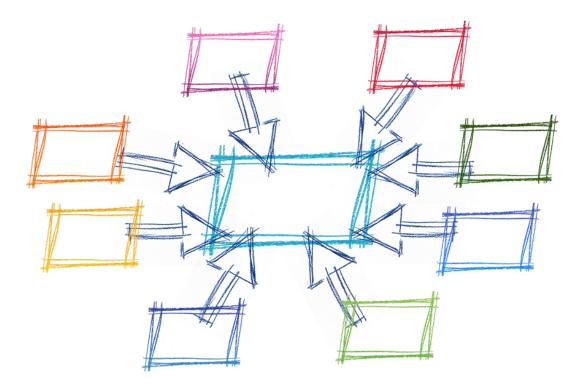
#### Collaborative Leadership and School Capacity

Complete Questions 1-9

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	Col	aborative Leadership and School Capacity	
	1.	The administrator's role in improving the school's literacy opportunities is clearly evident.	
	2.	School leaders encourage collegial decision making,	
	3.	School leaders support integration of literacy instruction across the content areas.	
	4.	School leaders and staff members believe the teaching of reading is their responsibility.	
	5.	Adequate fiscal resources are provided to support the literacy improvement plan.	
	6.	Data-driven decision-making guides literacy improvement planning.	
	7.	Scheduling structures are in place to support identified literacy needs of all students.	
	8.	Scheduling structures are in place to support literacy professional development.	
	9.	The school improvement plan includes literacy as a major goal for improvement.	



#### Collaborative Leadership and School Capacity





#### **Strategic Use of Assessment**



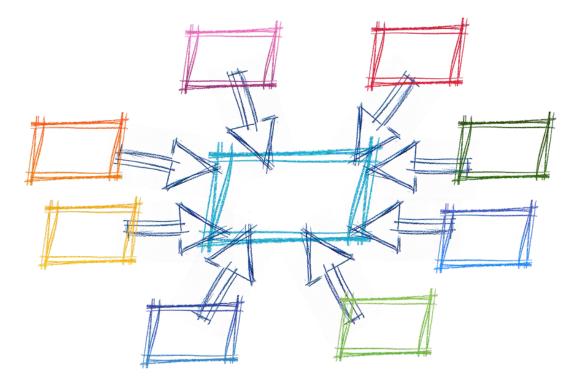


#### **Strategic Use of Assessment**

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Stra	ategic Use of Assessment				
10.	A variety of school and student data sources is used to support the instructional improvement focus.				
11.	Professional development to improve literacy is based on assessment data.				
12.	Standardized formal assessments are used to assess reading ability of all students.				
13.	Teachers know the reading capabilities of all students they teach.				
14.	Data meetings guide formative and summative literacy planning to support student learning.				
15.	Ongoing progress monitoring identifies skills mastered and skills that continue to be focus of student's intervention plan.				
16.	Teachers use informal reading assessments within content classes to develop a better understanding of student literacy instructional needs.				



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## Professional Development to Support Literacy



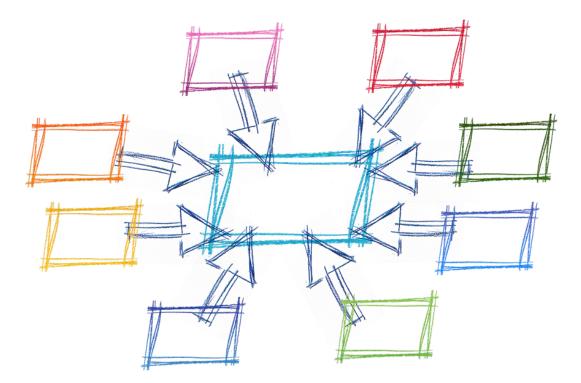


## Professional Development to Support Literacy

Pro	fessional Development to Support Literacy	Complete Questions 17-24		
17.	The Literacy Leadership Team assesses and plans literacy professional development focus.			
18.	Professional development plans are based on identified student literacy needs.			
19.	Reflective teaching and self-assessment of instructional practices provide direction as to ongoing literacy professional planning.			
20.	Content-area teachers receive professional development to learn literacy strategies.			
21.	Teachers with literacy expertise and experience serve as models and mentors to less experienced colleagues.			
22.	Data from informal Literacy Walks provide areas of focus for literacy professional development.			
23.	Teachers participate in shared-teaching sessions to learn and refine literacy strategies	i		
24.	Content area teachers receive ongoing, job-embedded professional development to learn instructional/literacy strategies.			



#### Professional Development to Support Literacy





#### **Instructional Practices**



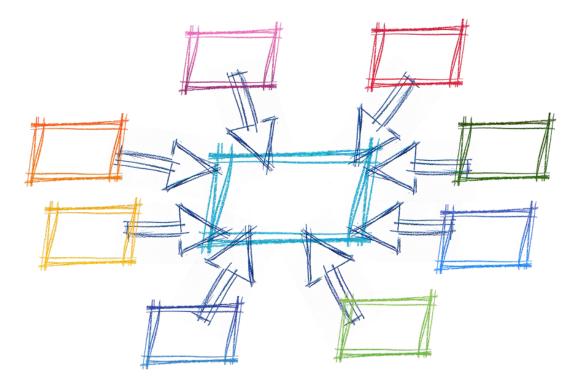


#### **Instructional Practices**

Inst	tructional Practices	Complete
25.	Teachers use effective instructional practices in support of developing student literacy and comprehensions of course content.	Questions 25-
26.	Teachers effectively use a variety of before, during, and after reading strategies to support learning and literacy.	
27.	Teachers provide personalized support to each student to improve literacy based on assessed needs.	
28.	Teachers create literacy-rich environments with books, journals, and research texts to support content learning.	
29.	Teachers effectively use small group instructional strategies to improve student learning and comprehension of course content.	
30.	Teachers effectively model how to use a variety of literacy/learning strategies for all students.	1 1 1
31.	Teachers effectively use a variety of literacy strategies that support learning of specific content texts for all students.	
32.	Teachers use technology to support improved literacy for all students.	
33.	Teachers regularly use vocabulary development strategies to support student learning	9.
34.	Teachers regularly use strategies to support the reading/writing connection.	

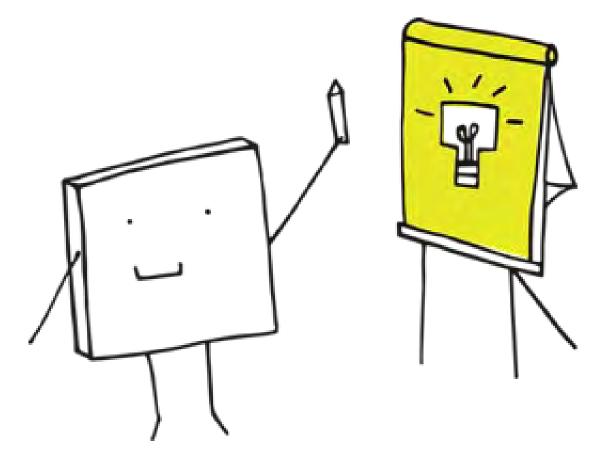


#### **Instructional Practices**





## Intervention to Support Student Achievement



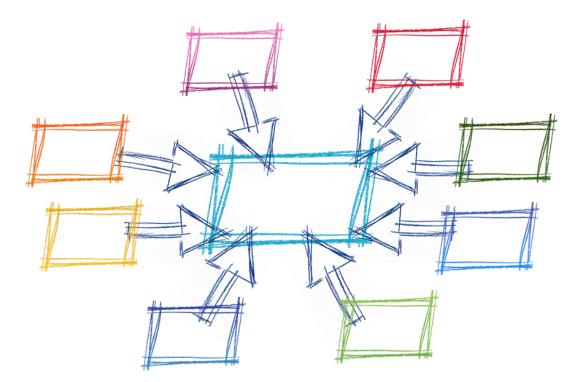


## **Intervention to Improve Student Achievement**

Intervention to Improve Student Achievement		Complete Questions 35-41		
35.	Administrators and teachers develop individual literacy plans to meet literacy instructional needs of struggling students.			
36.	Intervention is highly prescriptive toward improving identified literacy deficits of individuals.			
37.	Literacy electives are available to support improved literacy of struggling students and English language learners.			
38.	Ample tutoring sessions are available to support improved student literacy.			
39.	The most highly skilled teachers work with struggling/striving readers.			
40.	Content teachers effectively use literacy strategies to support struggling/striving readers' learning of content texts.			
41.	The School Literacy Improvement Plan supports strategies ranging from intervention for struggling readers to expanding the reading power of all students.	1		



#### **Intervention to Support Student Achievement**





#### **Objectives Review**



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