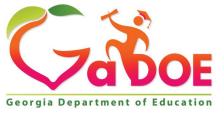
# 1,2,3,4: A Healthy Monitoring Plan Achieves More!

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#### **About Your Presenter**



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- Love children!

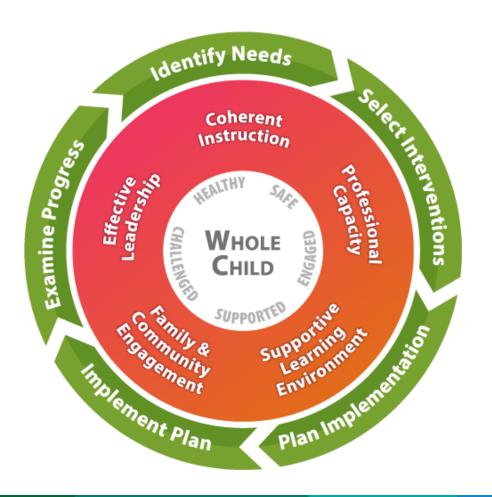


#### **Session Goals**

- Participants will gain detailed knowledge of the monitoring process of strategic planning.
- Participants will learn ideas for implementing a thorough monitoring system from the school level, district level, and the board level.



# Georgia's Systems of Continuous Improvement Meeting the Needs of the Whole Child





## How Healthy Are You?

Thinking about the current district plan for monitoring progress, how healthy is your district?

- Very We have a plan that addresses every level: school, district, and the board.
- Fair We have a plan that addresses some form of monitoring at some levels.
- Poor We do not have a plan that addresses any form of monitoring at any level.



#### Did You Know?

- 45 Million Americans go on a diet each year.
- 33 billion dollars are spent on weight loss each year.
- Two-thirds of Americans are overweight or obese.

- All school districts have strategic plans.
- All schools have school improvement plans.
- Over 125 schools are federally identified (CSI/TSI).
- Most federally identified schools are located in high poverty areas.



#### Where is the Disconnect?

- Plans that never get implemented at all.
- Plans that get implemented poorly.
- Plans that break down at the monitoring stage with no understanding of how to monitor for success.



## **Healthy Monitoring Count Down**

- 1. Board Level
- 2. District Level
- 3. School Level
- 4. Celebrate Success





## **Healthy Monitoring**

Board Level
What does it really look like?



## Domain II. Strategic Planning

The governance leadership team, in collaboration with the community, adopts and enacts a planning process that results in an adopted system strategic plan designed to improve student achievement and organizational effectiveness.



#### **Standard A**

The governance leadership team provides input to and adopts the system plan.



#### Standard B

Annually using the strategic planning process; monitor and report progress on the performance measures.



#### Continue

- 3) The governance leadership team meets annually to appropriately focus upon:
- Analyzing appropriate data to assess progress toward fulfilling the school system's strategic plan.
- Assessing the strengths and needed improvements of the school system.
- Addressing compelling problems(s) or emerging issues (s) that may prevent the school system from accomplishing its strategic plan.
- Identifying and address emerging opportunities for advancing the school system's strategic plan
- Self-assessing the governance leadership team's educational, governance and leadership performance.



#### What Does It look Like?

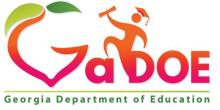
- Board Agendas that reflect listed items as it relates to the district strategic plan.
- Board discussions that center most of its conversation around how the actions taken are in direct support of strategic plan.
- Data being shared at the Board level that reflect the progress of the plan annually-Balanced Score Card.
- Revisions of the plan by the administrative staff (district/school).
- Professional learning developed around student achievement.





## **Healthy Monitoring**

District Level
What does it really look like?



#### **District Level**

- The District uses a format (Balanced Score Card) that sets the direction for monitoring for the school year.
- Agreed upon data is tracked by the District every 9 weeks: Hard and Observable.
- District Team has a progress monitoring each 9 weeks to check the progress of individual schools.
- Every 9 weeks data is merged across the district during administrative team meetings to review the progress: look for trouble areas to formulate plan of action.



#### **District Level**

- End of the Year Progress is discussed in a retreat where progress is reviewed. District plan is revisited as needed.
- Professional Learning supports is determined for the new year.
- Strategies are determined for the new year



## **Balance Score Card**

Milestone Data		ata	Balanced Score Card							
Goal A	rea s	SAC's Standar	A-4:	Baseline 2016	Year 1 2017	Year 2 2018	Year 3 2019	Year 4 2020	Year 5	Common
IP-1-A,B		1,2,5	Planning procedure, process manual, data team, school improvement process training	IP	IP					
IP-2-A,B,D		2,3	Request procedure for resources, resource/curriulum audits, district wide procedures for department resource request	IP	IP					
TA-2- A,B,C,E,F,G		3	Common assessments K-12, writing rubrics, writing requirements, teacher support coaching	IP	IP					
4-3- E,F,G,H,I	2,3	3 fo	Tracking of students reading below level, implementation of leveled eaders, implement new RTI process, effective instructional strategies or sp.ed. students, (design new pre/post intevention programs in all portent areas), intergration of reading/writing strategies in all content eas K-12, mentoring program-black males, implementation of math ademy	IP	IP					
1-A,F	2,3		plementation of engaging, rigorous lessons (rigor relevance mework), increase # of students reading at grade level	IP	. IP					

#### **Core Business**

#### Ensure Desired Results:

Study data

Action plans

Implement/monitor interventions

#### Improve Teaching and Learning

**Curriculum Maps** 

Engaging lessons/units

**Assessment-Formative and Summative** 

Lesson study/student work/teacher commentary



#### **Core Business**

#### Foster a Culture for Improvement

Learning Communities at school and district level

Lesson study/student work/teacher commentary

School Keys

Raising standards



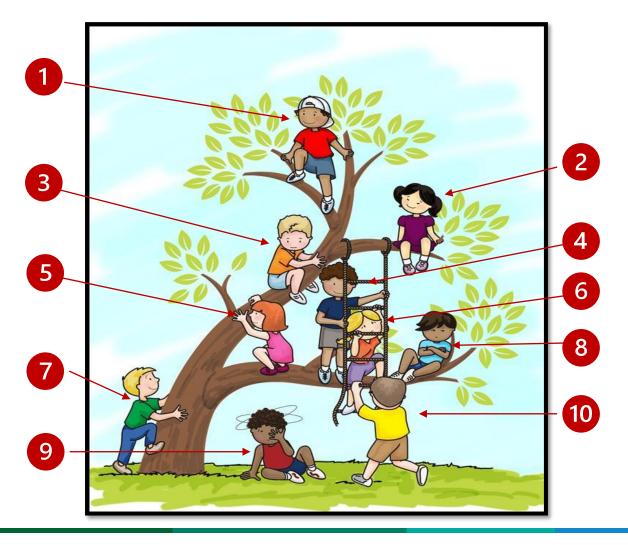


## **Healthy Monitoring**

School Level
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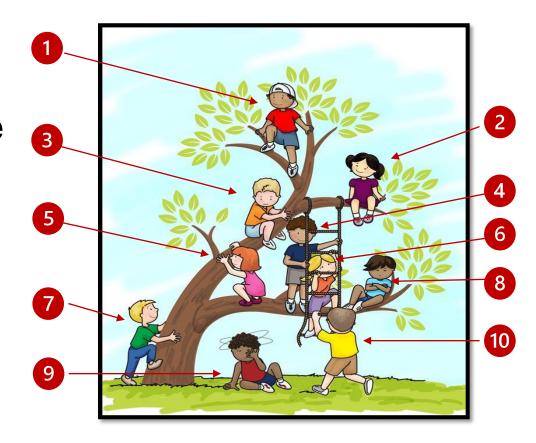
## The Leadership Tree





#### Let's Talk About It!

- What role do I contribute as a team member to school improvement?
- Pick a child on the Leadership Tree that best represents you.
- Which child or children on the Leadership Tree represents where our governance team needs to be? Explain



Easy Retro Link





# No Excuses Allowed For Poor School Performance

"Performance will be the key. Problem solving instead of excuse building will be the ethic. "Can do" will be the attitude and excuses will be unacceptable. Excuses will be unacceptable not because they don't explain a set of circumstances, but only because they contribute nothing to changing those circumstances..."



### **School Level**

- Teacher Leaders work beside school administrators every 9 weeks to discuss school progress monitoring.
- Data Collected by all teachers and shared out in collaborative meeting led by Teacher Leaders.
- School Level Team Meetings are held to discuss progress: data-hard and observable.
- Revisions/Resetting starts at the point of failure.



# **Three Guiding Questions**

- 1. What is it we want students to learn-by grade level, by course, and by unit of instruction?
- 2. How will we know when each student has acquired the intended knowledge and skills?
- 3. How will we respond when students experience initial difficulty so that we can improve upon current levels of learning?



# **Professional Development**

- Ties directly to the outcomes of the monitoring process.
- Determined based on need.
- Taught at the District Level to: District Team,
   School Level Support Administration-Instructional Coaches and Teacher Leaders.



### **Teacher Leaders**

- Led Collaborative Meetings
- Data Team Reviews
- Peer Review Teams
- Pay supplement for their work.



#### **Teacher Leaders**

Are NOT dispensers of information, they are the movers and shakers of instruction and curriculum which is the heart and soul of a strategic plan.

However, they must be trained to operate as such.



# Real Life Application

- Rural District with a graduation rate of 58.8%
- Minority Rate of 78%
- 100% Free and Reduced Lunch
- Limited access
- NO plan of action after high school



## Communication is the Key





#### Celebrate Successes





## Self Reflection

- What did I learn from the journey?
- What did I do well?
- What strengths did I use?
- What skills did I gain?
- What do we feel most confident about?
- How did I overcome obstacles along the way?
- What would we change next?



## **Next Steps**

- Assess where you are at as a board, district, and school.
- Determine your health in each area.
- Have the frank conversations.
- Make a plan of action for change.
- Implement, Monitor, and Revise.



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