



LCAP SUPPORT - Educational Support Services

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LCAP

The Role of Metrics

The LCAP is an ongoing process of evaluation, refinement, learning, consultation, and communication with stakeholders. It is important to remember, the LCAP is not a document for the sake of compliance, but to be accountable to ourselves and our communities.

One of the best ways to document that is to share the story of where we were, or are currently, and where we are working hard to be. In completing the Annual Update, the need to include metrics to effectively measure progress is evident.

The LCAP regulations define the metrics that need to be used. Some of the available data sources may include trailing data and thus not readily available as you analyze your progress.

A couple of questions to consider and refine as you implement the process: What are your ongoing needs assessments? What data

points/sources will help guide implementation throughout each LCAP cycle?

Each district will need to assess their needs and availability of assessments, or data collection processes, and determine gaps that

will need to be filled. Likewise, for many districts the capacity to collect, organize, interpret, and share the data in a meaningful manner also needs to be evaluated.

As a best practice, consider defining a clear plan of data acquisition and responsibility. In like manner to developing a plan for stakeholder engagement is crucial, a "metrics/data plan" will help drive and facilitate conversations with stakeholders. It will also provide road signs on your

"YOU CAN HAVE DATA WITHOUT INFORMATION, BUT YOU CANNOT HAVE INFORMATION WITHOUT DATA."

DANIEL KEYS MORAN

Annual Update

The Annual Update offers an opportunity to delineate progress on goals, document implementation changes, whether fiscal or level, and provide a narrative that clearly articulates this to your stakeholders. Each action/service that is defined in Section 2 of the LCAP must be reported in the Annual Update. It is important to consider the level of impact that each item defined will have on student achievement. Use this space to highlight and lend importance to the high-leverage priorities in your district, as defined by your needs assessment, consultation, knowledge, and research.

journey to achieving your defined goals.