

# An Introduction to Continuous School Improvement

School and District Improvement

# What is Continuous School Improvement?

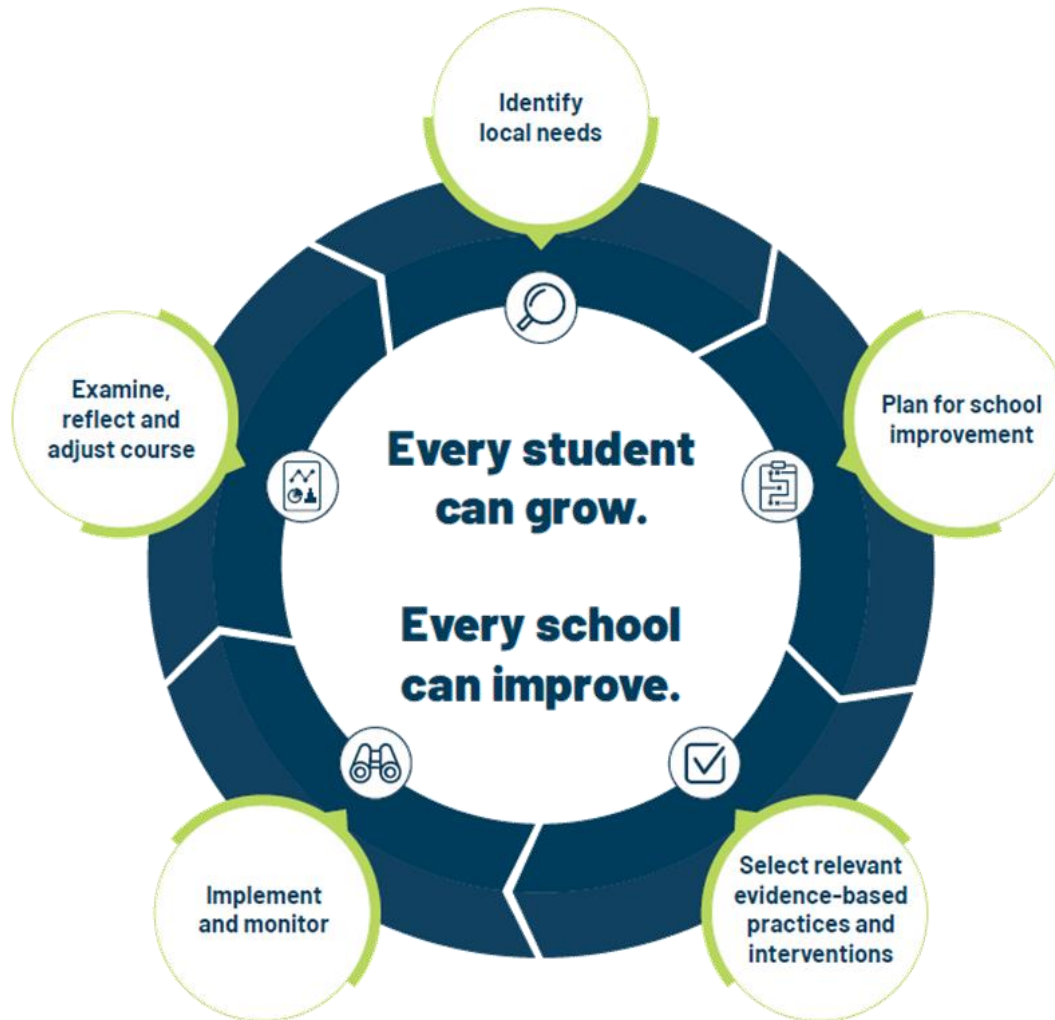


Collaborative process through which staff and stakeholders identify strengths and weaknesses of the entire school program.



Use the information as a basis for making deliberate, positive, cohesive, and observable changes in measurable student outcomes.

# Continuous School Improvement Model



# Identify Local Needs



School  
Leadership  
Team



Build a  
Stakeholder  
Advisory  
Group



Conduct a  
school  
level needs  
assessment



Conduct a  
root cause  
analysis

# Plan for School Improvement

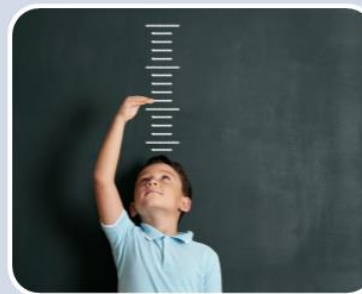


SMART Goals:

Specific  
Measurable  
Achievable  
Relevant  
Timebound



Key activities,  
timelines,  
funding  
sources, and  
people  
responsible



Local  
assessment(s) to  
measure  
academic  
progress



Monitor  
implementation  
of plan

# Select Relevant Evidence-Based Practices Aligned with ESSA

EdReports

What Works Clearinghouse and Practice Guide

Evidence-based Funding, Best Practices Recommendations

Illinois Comprehensive Literacy Plan

# Implement and Monitor Key Activities in the SIP



Communicate  
the school  
improvement  
plan to all  
stakeholders



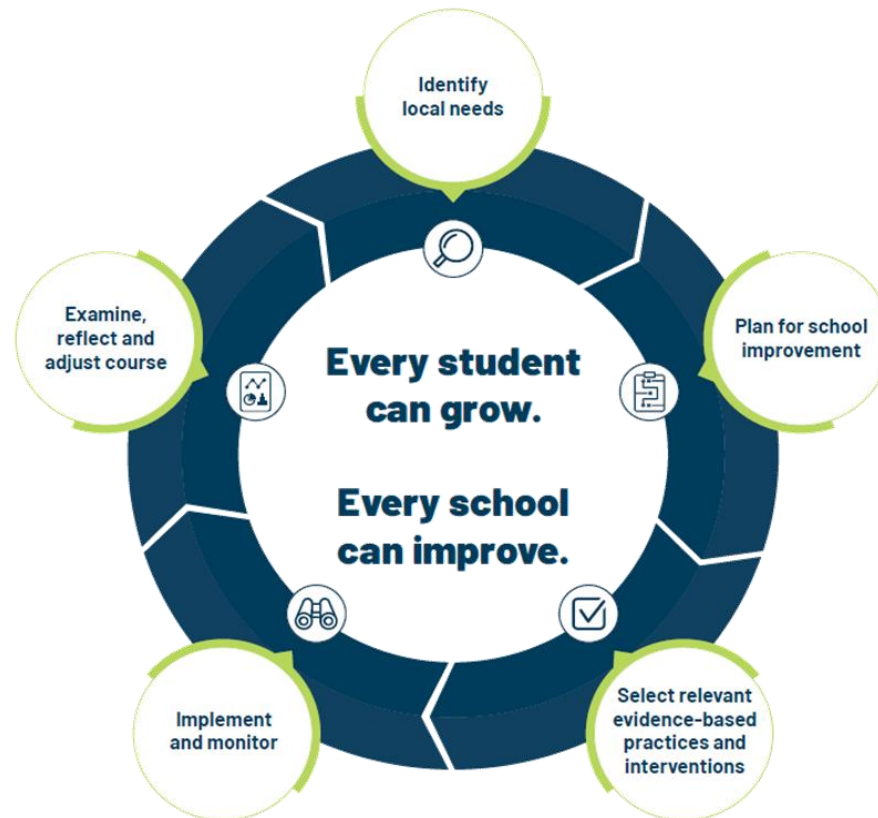
Implement the  
school  
improvement  
plan



Monitor  
implementation  
and progress  
toward SMART  
goals



## Examine, Reflect and Adjust Course





# School improvement resources to support ALL SCHOOLS

- Exemplary
- Commendable
- Targeted
- Comprehensive
- Intensive

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**REGIONAL SERVICES & SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT**

**School and District Improvement**

- Learning Partners
- School Improvement On-Demand Learning Series
- Continuous School Improvement - Statewide System of Support

## RESOURCES

- Continuous School Improvement Model 📄
- School Improvement Common Language 🗣️

## REGIONAL SERVICES & SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT SCHOOL AND DISTRICT IMPROVEMENT



The Illinois State Board of Education (ISBE) has developed a Continuous School Improvement Model 📄, which is a systematic process aimed at enhancing student outcomes through ongoing reflection, adaptation, and refinement. This model is the foundation of school improvement efforts for all schools.

Schools in Improvement Status

School Improvement On-Demand Learning Series

## SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT FOR **ALL SCHOOLS** (CLICK ON A SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COMPONENT FOR SUPPORTING RESOURCES.)

- 🔍 IDENTIFY LOCAL NEEDS
- 📅 PLAN FOR SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT
- ✅ SELECT RELEVANT EVIDENCE-BASED PRACTICES AND INTERVENTIONS
- 🚲 IMPLEMENT AND MONITOR
- 📊 EXAMINE, REFLECT AND ADJUST COURSE








# Resources to support schools in Improvement Status

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## REGIONAL SERVICES & SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT School and District Improvement

### Continuous School Improvement - Statewide System of Support

#### RESOURCES

- FY 2025 Title I, Part A, Section 1003 School Improvement Allocations 
- School Improvement Common Language 
- Visual School Improvement Status 
- School Improvement Fact Sheet 
- The Continuous School Improvement Model 
- FY24 Evidence-Based Strategies Implemented by RC19 and RC22 Schools 
- FY23 Evidence-Based Strategies Implemented by RC18 and RC19 Schools 

#### VIDEOS AND PRESENTATIONS

Continuous School Improvement  
Model

## REGIONAL SERVICES & SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT

### CONTINUOUS SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT - STATEWIDE SYSTEM OF SUPPORT

The **Statewide System of Support** focuses resources on the schools and districts with the greatest need to build the capacity of school leaders to implement effective school improvement practices. The goal is to enable schools in improvement status to improve student outcomes and exit status.



#### FY25 Implementation Grant Webinar

The FY 2025 School Improvement continuation grant application is now open. LEAs may secure a July 1, 2024, start date by submitting a substantially approvable grant application in IWAS/eGMS by June 30, 2024. Grantees can view a recording of the grant webinar for guidance to develop an approvable FY 2025 grant application.

- Video 
- FY25 Implementation Grant Webinar Presentation 

I am looking for school improvement resources for ...



a Targeted  
School



a Comprehensive  
School



an Intensive  
School

Mission, Vision and Equity Statement



# Assistance from the Statewide System of Support

## School Improvement Coordinators

- Work Directly with Comprehensive & Intensive Schools
- Expertise in School Improvement
- Former K-12 Educators or Administrators
- Technical Assistance to ALL Schools

## School Improvement Resources

- School Improvement Common Language
- Continuous Improvement Process
- School Improvement Plan Template
- SMART Goals
- A Year in the Life of School Improvement
- On-Demand Learning Series
- Monthly Topics & Tasks

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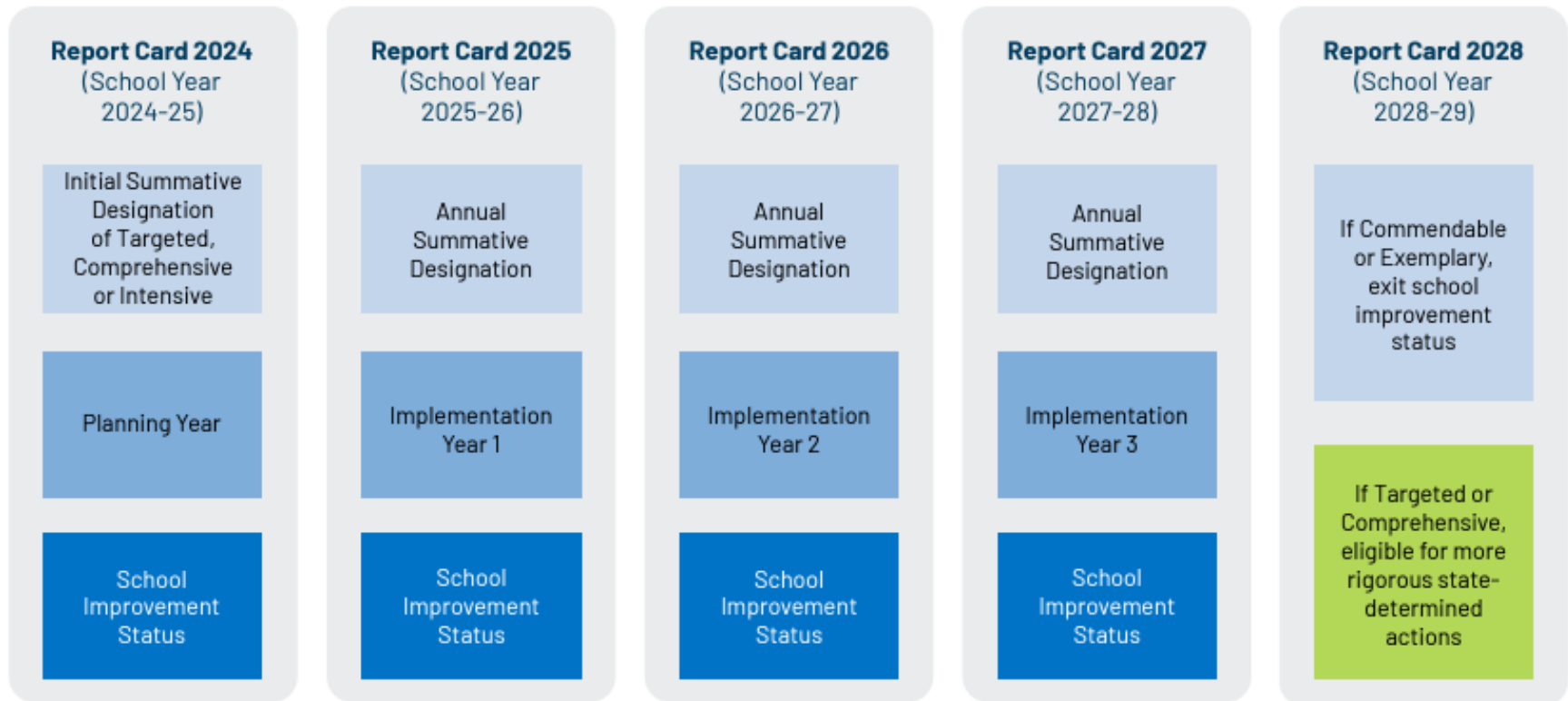
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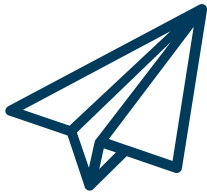
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**Meet our team!**

# Report Card 24: Newly Designated Schools



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