

## **April 2019 NDE-ESUCC Talking Point Summary**

#### **Data Cadre**

The Data Cadre had discussion about the use of data in several key processes such as MTSS, CSI, and Priority Schools and the fact that these processes would benefit from a consistent protocol and common language. The Cadre would like to serve as the facilitator for work around creating a data analysis process that is inclusive of all data process used in Nebraska Schools. That process would include the articulation of a set common skills (learning targets) in data analysis the mastery of which could be pursued by teachers and administrators. The process would also develop a common language around the data analysis skills and protocols. The ambition is that the process would be inclusive of all data analysis protocols used in CSI, MTSS, Accountability, Accreditation and CIP to eventually arrive at a process that a school would recognize regardless of status or program involvement.

## **NeMTSS Regional Facilitators**

Nebraska's **Educational Service Units** remain essential partners as they further develop professional learning around all tiers of the instructional continuum. From ESU/PDO work groups, to content module development, to hands-on support for schools, our ESUs are the conduit for improved teaching and learning in Nebraska. In a tiered fashion, the NeMTSS Implementation Team develops and provides a series of statewide professional learning sessions for schools building multi-tiered models of prevention and intervention. This includes basic systems awareness facilitation and regular on-site technical assistance to schools in need of more guidance. Training may occur alongside Service Unit opportunities, or directly with school districts. Implementation team members also develop and disseminate guidance documents and tools for schools to use for high quality implementation.

The NDE – Office of Special Education is excited to announce that three **Regional Facilitators and two Implementation Specialists (hired through UNL)** will be added to the NeMTSS team to support the increasing number of schools adopting an MTSS Framework for improvement. The Office of Special Education has entered into cooperative agreements with ESU 3, 10, and 13 to be the host sites for our newly hired NeMTSS Regional Facilitators who will be providing supports statewide. The addition of the three NeMTSS Regional Facilitators will help us as a state to continue to reach our NeMTSS Goals:

**Awareness** – Disseminate NeMTSS Framework Document across the state; Provide professional learning and training, Plan NeMTSS Summit for 2019

**Partnerships**– NDE, District, ESU, Higher Education, State, and Federal collaboration around NeMTSS **Implementation Supports** – Tiered Training, Coaching Model, and Academic/Behavior Models

**Quality and Quantity of NeMTSS Resources** – Instructional videos of NeMTSS Summit Break-out sessions, Exemplar District Examples, Co-developed Training Modules

**NeMTSS Support Documents and Guidance** – Guidance for Non-Public Schools, Fiscal and Funding Recommendations and much, much, more!!

The three Regional Facilitators will assist our State Implementation team and we will be dividing the state into three regions to give individual attention to each specific region. It is our hope to continue to build out those supports as needed.

# **Early Childhood**

The Office of Early Childhood is using Federal Preschool Development –Birth to 5 grant funds to bring the NAESP Early Childhood PreK-Grade 3 Leadership Academy to Nebraska. We are enrolling for a cohort of up to 30 elementary principals and other school staff who have direct authority over an early childhood education program but who don't have a background in early childhood education. If you are interested, contact Melody Hobson, Administrator, Office of Early Childhood Education at 402-471-0262, or melody.hobson@nebraska.gov

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