

Building Capacity for Scaling Effective Schools

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Theory of Change

Use multiple sources of data to identify problems and potential solutions

Scale up and sustain what works

Build system-wide ownership and commitment for proposed solutions

Assess the effectiveness of the intervention

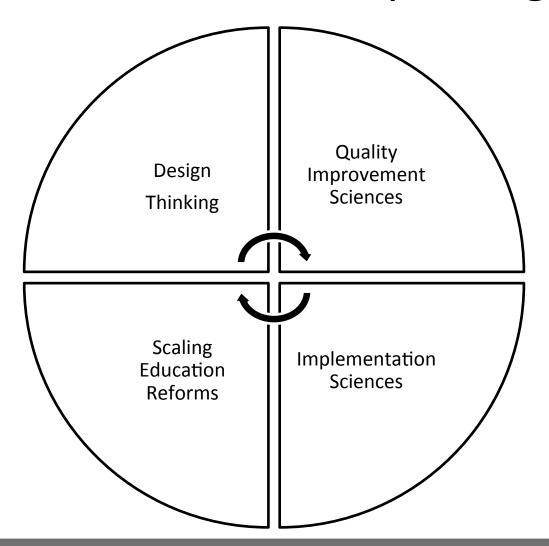
Develop interventions that are based on design principles

Implement interventions with integrity to design principles

Transfer learning and adapt interventions to different contexts

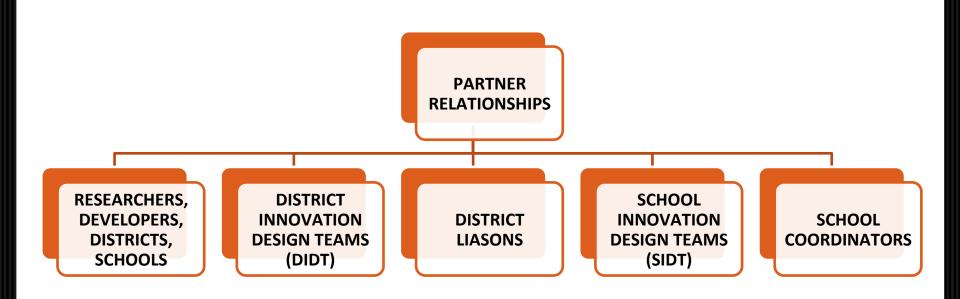


Theoretical Underpinnings



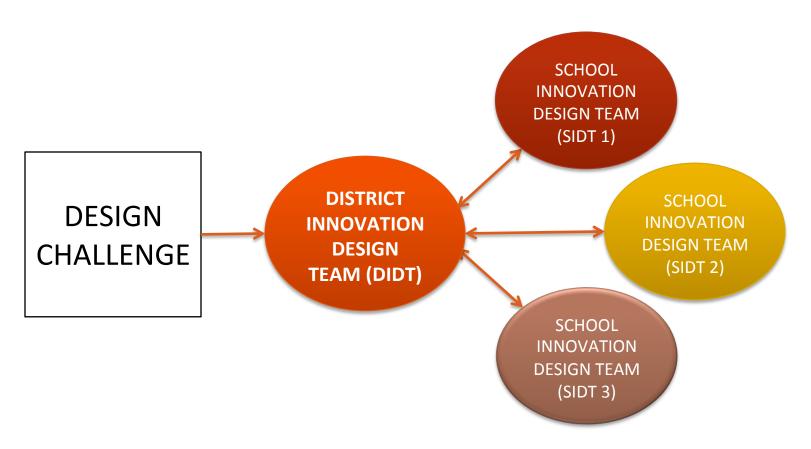


NCSU Project Infrastructure for Scaling Effective Schools





Innovation Design Teams





TWO LEARNING AGENDAS				
1. Build team capacity for innovation design, transfer, implementation, and scale-up	2. Deepen teams understanding of the differentiating practices of effective high schools			
Scaling Up Content/Process	Innovation Content/Process			
 Effective Use of Data Innovation Design Managing Change Shared Leadership Implementation & Transfer Accountability & Evaluation 	 Components of Effective High Schools Differentiating practices Evidence base from the literature Evidence from the local setting Key components of the innovation Supporting and/or hindering contextual factors 			



Infrastructures of Support

1. Scaling Up Capacity Self-Assessment

- Agreed upon criteria for scale
- Aligned to multi-components of scale
- Graduated assessment continuum of school and district stakeholders as a system

2. Tools

- Planning Templates to establish Implementation roles, responsibilities, timelines and resources
- Guides for integrity with adaptations to context
- Frameworks to establish structures for collaboration and coordination

3. Scale and Sustainability Structures

- Communication structures and strategies
- Continuous improvement process (PDSA)



Hunches, Theories,

Ideas

Using PDSA Process for Scale

Changes that result in improvement

Cycle 4: Try RCIs with all 9th grade teachers using revised RCI tracking form.

Learning: Some teachers not conducting RCIs with depth. Discipline referrals down.

Cycle 3: Try RCIs with group of teachers using revised RCI tracking form.

Learning: Revised form worked well. Students approaching teachers to talk.

Cycle 2: Try RCIs w/ group of teachers using RCI tracking form. **Learning:** More teachers met with more of their students and tracking form was not difficult to use. Teachers wanted space to take notes.

Cycle 1: Try RCIs with small group of teachers.

Learning: Not all teachers met with all of their students.

Adapted from Carnegie Foundation Workshop materials, 2013



Test Title:			Cycle #	<u> </u>
Tester:				
What change is being tested?				
What is the AIM of the test?				
What:	Who:	When:	Describe the specifics of what happened	
What do you want to know about the change heing. Results: What do data will you need to expectations?	pe your plan for collectin collect in order to achi nd Analysis Details	eve your	What were the results of the test relative to what you expected?	Y
Based on these test results, what actions will be taken duri	ing the next cycle?		What else did you learn from the test results?	
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Cycle #:



What change is being tested?

What is the aim of the test?

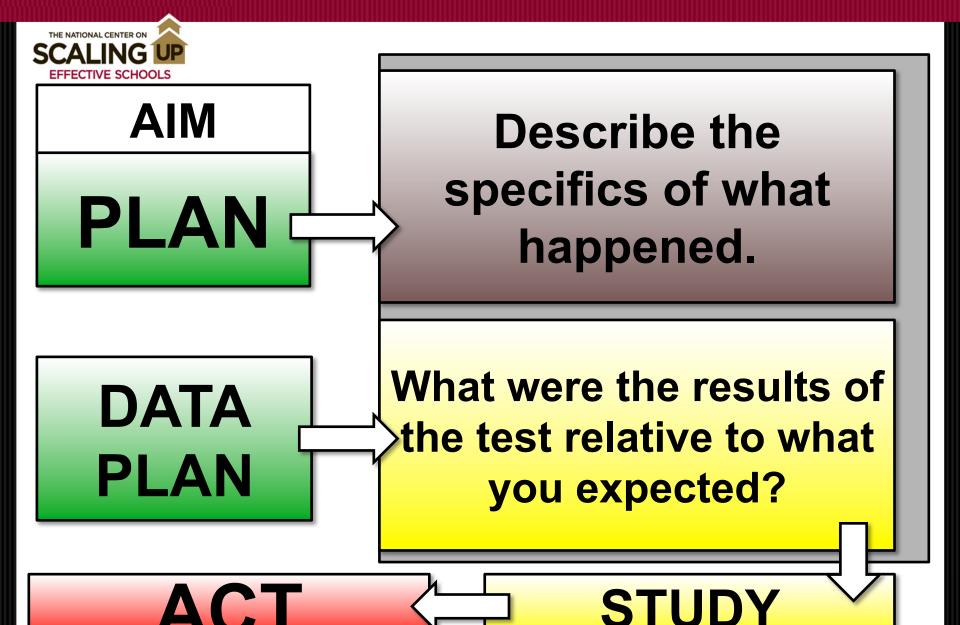
What? Who? When?

- Questions: What do you want to know about the change being implemented?
- Expected Results: What do you think will happen as a result of what you will do?
- **Data Plan:** Describe your need for collecting data. What data will you need to collect in order to achieve your expectations?
- Data Collection & Analysis

DO

ACT

STUDY



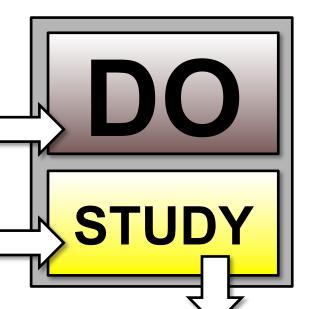


AIM

PLAN

DATA PLAN

Based on the test results, what actions will be taken in the next cycle?



What else did you learn from the test results?



Lessons Learned from Capacity Building for Scale

- Deeper understanding comes when using data that is relevant to the implementers' context
- Design principles and structures facilitated
 - Keeping in mind those most impacted by the change ideas
 - Building system wide ownership and commitment
- Learning from and adapting interventions to context builds buy-in and facilitates shift in ownership
- Assessing the effectiveness of the intervention turns passive implementers into active researchers and builds capacity for teacher leadership



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