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The **comprehensive school improvement plan or CSIP** is defined as a plan developed by the school council, or successor, and charter schools with the input of parents, faculty, and staff, based on a review of relevant data that includes targets, strategies, activities, and a time schedule to support student achievement and student growth, and to eliminate gaps among groups of students.

The comprehensive school and district improvement plan process is outlined in 703 KAR 5:225. The requirements included in the administrative regulation are key components of the continuous improvement process in Kentucky and ultimately fulfillment of school, district, and state goals under the Kentucky State Plan as required by the Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA).

While the regulation outlines a timeline for compliance purposes, the plan itself is a strategic and proven approach to improve processes and to ensure students achieve.

While diagnostics are completed annually, comprehensive improvement plans are three-to five-year plans that are reviewed and revised during that timeframe. Stakeholders may rewrite plans entirely; however, they are not required to do so. The timeline for the school's 2025-2026 diagnostics is as follows:

Phase One: August 1 - October 1

- Continuous Improvement Diagnostic for Schools
- School Safety Report
- Executive Summary for Schools

Phase Two: October 1 - November 1

- The Needs Assessment for Schools
- School Assurances

Phase Three: November 1 - January 1

- Comprehensive School Improvement Plan

Phase Four: January 1 - December 31

- Professional Development Plan for Schools (Due May 1)
- Progress Monitoring

As principal of the school, I hereby commit to implementing continuous improvement processes with fidelity to support student achievement and student growth and to eliminate achievement gaps among groups of students. I also assure that the comprehensive school improvement plan is developed by the school council, (where applicable) with the input of parents, faculty, and staff.

I also assure that upon the completion of all diagnostics included in the four improvement phases, the most recent version of the CSIP will be posted to the school's website pursuant to 703 KAR 5:225 Section 3(5)(b).

Please enter your name and date below to certify.
Danielle M. Cassady - Sept. 28, 2025