

Kentucky United We Learn Council Update

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Moonshot (The council's vision)



To build a prosperous Kentucky, we will launch an accountability system that is meaningful and useful to all our learners.





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Working Groups

- Working groups were introduced at November 2023 convening
- Four new working groups in April:
 - Engaging and Communicating with Communities
 - Menu of Options
 - District Supports for Quality
 - Learning with Local Districts



Engaging and Communicating with Communities

- Create a communication plan that expands who we hear from. Capture a broader group of voices.
- Identify opportunities for connecting with and engaging more stakeholders.
- Determine other forms of communication for Team KDE and for external stakeholders.





Menu of Options

- Explore ways in which a menu of options accountability indicator could support vibrant learning experiences.
- Generate and discuss options for the design of the system of systems.
- Expect to define 3 options based on what will ultimately be approved by federal and state laws.





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District Supports for Quality (1)

- Create a series of materials, tools and processes to support local districts in the development of flexible, but rigorous local systems of A&A in order to inform the state system of assessment and accountability.
 - Foundational Concepts: easy-to-understand resources for core concepts around principled design and technical quality
 - **Defenses of Learning**: best practices for rigorous and meaningful defenses of learning to identify and evaluate evidence of student learning and personal growth.



District Supports for Quality (2)

- Dashboard Indicators: resources and tools to support the development of a range of metrics and evidence for deeper learning set forth by local districts and a process for evaluating their quality
- **Theories of Action**: provide guidance to local districts for the development of their theories of action and change that serve as a foundation for their assessment and accountability systems



Learning with Local Districts



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- The Learning with Local Districts workgroup is focused on advancing vibrant learning through the process of learning from and creating a way to document local innovations.
- Through site visits and engagements with districts, the workgroup will identify and disseminate best practices for creating vibrant learning experiences and deeper learning outcomes to enhance education statewide.
- Products created in this workgroup will be used to create professional development resources and systems banks.

Learning from Local Labs of Learning (L3s)

On March 6, 18 L3 teams gathered in Frankfort to:

- Share their local accountability system prototypes within the context of design principles that prioritize vibrant learning experiences, value local context and expertise, and continuously improve within state policy context.
- One-pagers are being developed to summarize collective insights, trends and areas for further support across L3 communities.

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Next Steps for the Kentucky United We Learn Council

• Next convening - April 25-26 in Frankfort

