

## AGENDA

- Introductions
- Overview and Focus on Leadership
- Research and Best Practices
- Group Discussion
- Sharing from Each Group Discussion
- Synthesis of the Session
- Overview and Closing





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## Overview A Focus on Leadership

Discuss

Define

**Support** 

**Evaluate** 

Leadership is core to the success of a school

We know success within an ECP is largely dependent upon leadership

Supporting principals in their development as leaders is a critical foundation to outcomes within the ECP Constant re-evaluation and direction





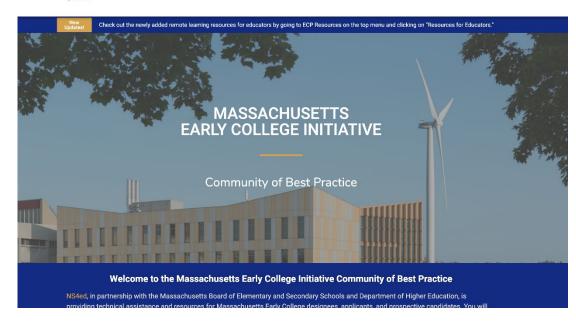
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#### **Community of Best Practice**

- -Curate best practices
- -Share information and outcomes
- -Promote a shared vision and shared growth within the ECP



#### Resource

- -Provide research
- -Tools
- -Common source of content

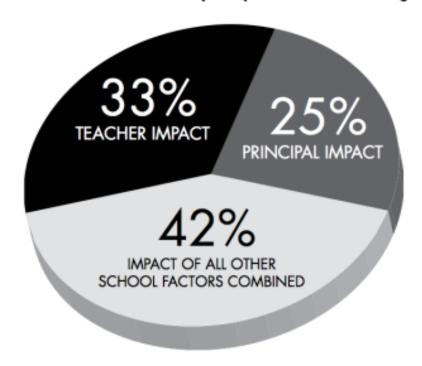


#### Collaboration

- -Promote leadership strategies
- -Provide a safe place for growth and development through community forums

### WHAT RESEARCH SAYS ABOUT PRINCIPAL IMPACT ON LEARNING

#### Exhibit 1: Teacher and Principal Impact on Student Learning



Source: Walters, Marzono & McNulty, 2003.

Teachers and school administrators play significant roles in student performance. Walter, Marzano, and McNulty found that *principal impact accounts for 25 percent of the student learning.* 

...based on a preliminary review of research, leadership is second only to classroom instruction as an influence on student learning. After six additional years of research, we are even more confident about this claim. To date we have not found a single case of a school improving its student achievement record in the absence of talented leadership.

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### Leadership Effective Strategies

"The principal's job is complex and multidimensional, and the effectiveness of principals depends, in part, on...how they allocate their time across daily responsibilities" (Rice 2010, p. 2)

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#### **Organizational**

O1 Effective instructional leadership combines an understanding of the instructional needs of the school with an ability to target resources where they are needed, hire the best available teachers, provide teachers with the opportunities they need to improve, and keep the school running smoothly. (p. 32)

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#### **Community impact**

....the quality of a principal affects a range of school outcomes including teachers' satisfaction and their decisions about where to work, parents' perceptions about the schools their children attend, and, ultimately, the academic performance of the school.

#### Vision

The "transformers" [the more effective principals] had an explicit vision of what their school might be like and brought a "can-do" attitude to their job.... [They] focused intently on creating a culture in which each child can learn. Giving up is not an option. (Johnson, Rochkind, & Doble, 2008, p. 3)

### Additional Research

Leadership

Education research shows that most school variables, considered separately, have at most small effects on learning. The real payoff comes when individual variables combine to reach critical mass. Creating the conditions under which that can occur is the job of the principal. (Wallace Foundation, 2011, p. 2)

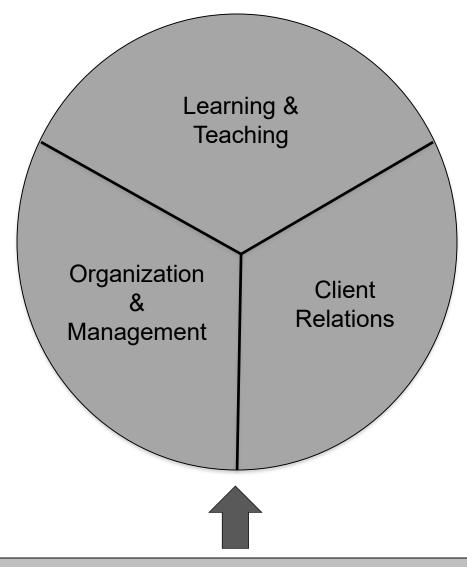


Using data from a study of North Carolina teachers, Ladd (2009) found that "school leadership emerges as the most consistently relevant measure of working conditions." (p. 29). School leaders improve teaching and learning indirectly and most powerfully through their influence on staff motivation, commitment, and working conditions. (Leithwood, Day, Sammons, Harris, & Hopkins, 2006, p. 5)

School leadership was the most important condition affecting teachers' willingness to remain teaching at their school. Teachers who indicated that they plan to remain teaching in their school were twice as likely to agree they work in trusting and supportive environments. (Hirsch, Sioberg, & Germuth, 2010, p. vii)

In a long-term study of Chicago schools, sociologists Anthony Bryk and Barbara Schneider showed that the single greatest factor in improving student achievement was trust among teachers and the principal. (Scribner, Hager, & Warne, 2002).





### Changes in Education Enterprise



### A Punctuated Equilibrium Model

	PHASE 1	PHASE 2	PHASE 3
		1890-1920	1990-2020
	Convergence #1	Recreation #1	Recreation #2
	1800-1890	1920-1990	2010→
Core values (purpose & mission)	Unitary Intellectual development	Differentiated Social efficiency Hold youngsters	Intellectual development Educate all youngsters
Strategy (learning & teaching)	Faculty psychology	Experimental psychology Behavioral perspective	Constructivist psychology Social-constructivist perspective
Structure (organization & management)	Craft management	Scientific management Hierarchy and bureaucracy	Transformational & instructional management Community-anchored organization
Control & distribution of power (governance)	Lay control	Government and professional control	Market-anchored control, direct citizen control, government control, & professional control

Changing conceptions of high school education, 1800-2010: A punctuated equilibrium framework (Murphy, 2006)



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### Participant Check-in and Reflection

**Group Questions** 



Name, Role, School How are you?

In your role as related to the ECP, what's your greatest leadership challenge?

Within your ECP system, which includes all your partner organizations, what has been your greatest success in leading collaboratively?

## Group Synthesis 1 Person from each group share:





## Follow Up Summer Leadership Series

Survey 1 - MA Summer Early College Leadership Series Evaluation https://survey.zohopublic.com/zs/JSb176 Equity Bi-Weekly Check-in on July 14th Topics and/or Questions Session on Equity July 21st Next Leadership Session



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