

Funding and Governance Work Group

REDDING CONSORTIUM FOR EDUCATIONAL EQUITY

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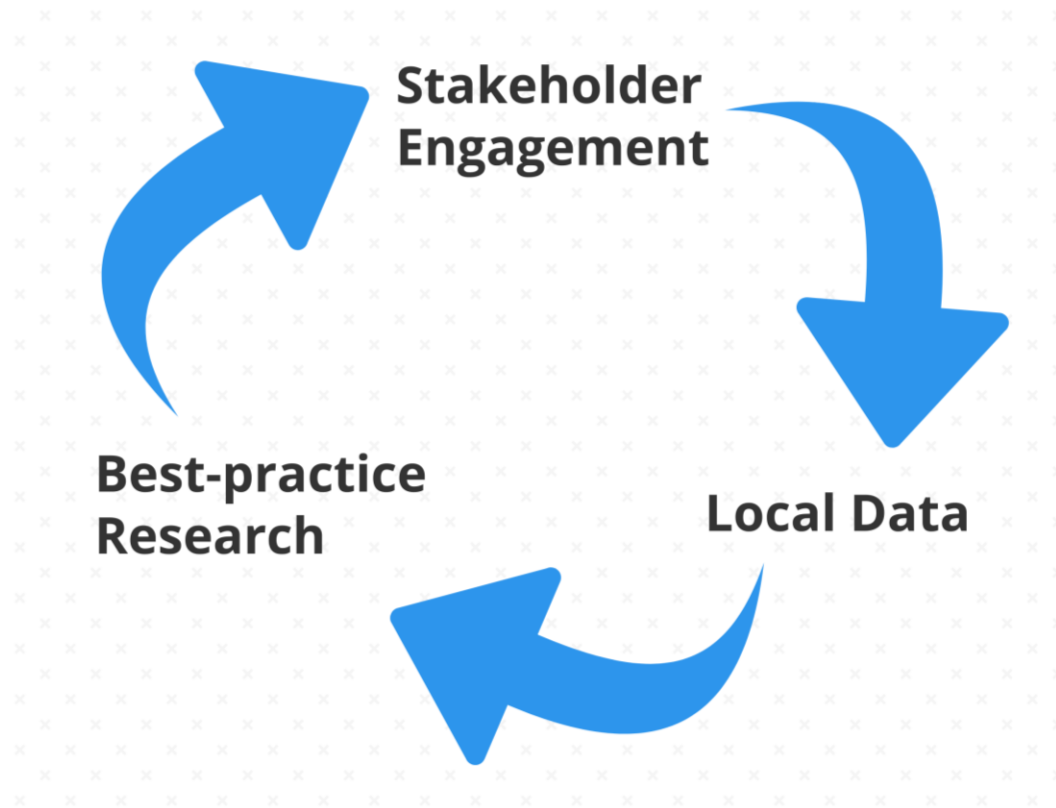
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- Quick introduction to the different areas of Zoom

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Welcome & Introductions

Decision-making Model



Stakeholder engagement includes educators, parents, students, community members and organizations to ensure their perspectives and involvement are included in the process

Local data consists of gathering Delaware-specific data on each topic to understand size and scope of educational equity concerns

Best-practice research consists of gathering research from other districts and states to deliberate and create best-practice recommendations

Timeline

Goal for Funding and Governance Work Group:

***Shift focus from governance/redistricting to funding**

October 2020—Deliverable draft submitted and presented to full Consortium for review

December 2020—Final deliverable submitted and presented to full Consortium for approval

***Keeping in mind active court cases and decisions, one on property reassessment and the other on state funding for education**

Proposed Focus Areas

Short-term funding focus:

- Referendum Reform
- New Castle County Tax District

Background research:

- Opportunity funds—monitoring and making information transparent
- CARES Act funds—monitoring and making information transparent

Long-term funding focus:

- Financial needs for high poverty schools (adequacy)
 - Systemic issues in the DE funding system
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Proposed Timeline 2020-2021

	August—December 2020	January—July 2021	August—December 2021
<p>Short-term (6 months)</p> <p>Referendum Reform (HB 129)</p> <p>NCC Tax District</p> <p>*Keeping in mind property reassessment ruling</p>	<p>Aug—Dec: Work Group meetings</p> <p>October—Deliverable drafts (code and/or regs) submitted and presented to Consortium for review</p> <p>December—Final deliverable submitted and presented to Consortium for approval</p>	<p>Ideas for changes in legislation, regulations or practices</p>	
<p>Background research (6 months)</p> <p>Opportunity funding</p> <p>CARES Act funding</p>	<p>Aug—Oct: Conduct research, gather local data</p> <p>October—Research team update to Funding WG</p> <p>December—Research team presents deliverable to Funding WG</p>		
<p>Long-term (1-1.5 years)</p> <p>Financial needs for high poverty schools (adequacy)</p> <p>Systemic funding issues</p> <p>*Keeping in mind state funding for education lawsuit</p>		<p>Conduct research</p> <p>Gather local data</p> <p>Stakeholder engagement</p>	<p>Deliverable idea: Review and analyze funding proposals created by organizations and community groups to determine a path forward</p>

How do the short-term focus areas promote equity?

Referendum reform allows school districts to raise the revenue they determine is necessary to meet the educational needs of their students, services, and staff members. These types of reforms can promote equity goals when they allow districts to collect revenue they can allocate to different services and supports for students and staff

The **New Castle County Tax District** is a mechanism for collecting revenue and sharing that revenue across the four NCC districts. Recent analysis suggests that the tax district has shifted from its original purpose. Examining options for modifying the tax district can be used to promote equity goals through recalculating the way that funds are collected and allocated across districts

Review Draft Work Plan & Discussion

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Proposed Meeting Schedule

August 6—Work Group Meeting 1

August 13—**Full Body Consortium Meeting**

August 27—Work Group Meeting 2

September 10—Work Group Meeting 3

September 24—Work Group Meeting 4

October 8—Work Group Meeting 5

October 22—Work Group Meeting 6

October—**Full Body Consortium Meeting**

November 5—Work Group Meeting 7

November 19—Work Group Meeting 8

December 3—Work Group Meeting 9

December—**Full Body Consortium Meeting**

*Based on meeting every 2 weeks on
Thursdays

*Meetings 5:00-6:30 p.m.

Meeting Schedule Discussion

Public Comment
