

Models, Tools, and Resources

The following links lead to both web pages and actual documents related to the Conditions for School Effectiveness. While the list is not comprehensive of all available ESE resources, it can provide access points from which to further explore what ESE has to offer districts and schools. If you would like to recommend other resources for this list, please email districtassist@doe.mass.edu

Overarching:

- Overview of the ESE Framework for District Accountability and Assistance: <http://www.doe.mass.edu/sda/framework/default.html>
- MA Tiered System of Support (MTSS): <http://www.doe.mass.edu/mtss/default.html>

I. Effective district systems for school support and intervention:

- District Effectiveness Self-Assessment <http://www.doe.mass.edu/apa/review/district/district-self-assessment.doc>
- Emerging Practices in Rapid Achievement Gain Schools: <http://www.doe.mass.edu/apa/sss/assistance/default.html>

II. Effective school leadership:

- Cycle of Continuous Improvement: <http://www.doe.mass.edu/apa/sss/turnaround/ODST-theory.pdf>
- Education Data Warehouse: <http://www.doe.mass.edu/infoservices/dw/>
- District Analysis and Review Tool (DART): <http://www.doe.mass.edu/apa/dart/>
- District Data Team Toolkit: <http://www.doe.mass.edu/apa/ucd/ddtt/toolkit.pdf>
- Educator Evaluation Rubrics: <http://www.doe.mass.edu/eeval/model/>
- School/District Profiles: <http://profiles.doe.mass.edu/>
- Student Growth Percentile resources: <http://www.doe.mass.edu/mcas/growth/>
- Emerging Practices in Rapid Achievement Gain Schools: <http://www.doe.mass.edu/apa/sss/assistance/default.html>

III. Aligned curriculum:

- Common Core Standards Initiative: <http://www.doe.mass.edu/candi/commoncore/>
- MCAS performance level descriptions: <http://www.doe.mass.edu/mcas/tdd/pld/>
- Information on RETELL and WIDA: <http://www.doe.mass.edu/retell/faq.pdf#search=%22wida%22>
- Science and Technology/Engineering Strand Maps: <http://www.doe.mass.edu/omste/maps/default.html>

IV. Effective instruction:

- Common Core: <http://www.doe.mass.edu/candi/commoncore/>
- Learning Walkthrough Implementation Guide: <http://www.doe.mass.edu/sda/ucd/walk/text.pdf>

V. Student assessment:

- District Analysis and Review Tool (DART): <http://www.doe.mass.edu/sda/dart/>
- Education Data Warehouse: <http://www.doe.mass.edu/infoservices/dw/>
- Student Growth Percentile resources: <http://www.doe.mass.edu/mcas/growth/>

VI. Principal's staffing authority:

- Educator Evaluation, Model System: <http://www.doe.mass.edu/eeval/model/>
- Educator Preparation: <http://www.doe.mass.edu/edprep/>
- Selecting Outstanding Teachers for Level 4 Schools: <http://www.doe.mass.edu/sda/framework/level4/SelectingTeachers.pdf>

- Gateway for Educators of Massachusetts: <http://www.doe.mass.edu/gem/>
- Teacher Induction Programs: <http://www.doe.mass.edu/educators/mentor/teachers.html>
- ESEA Waiver's Impact on Titles I and IIA: <http://www.doe.mass.edu/apa/titlei/default.html?section=GI>

VII. Professional development and structures for collaboration:

- Professional Learning Communities Guidance: <http://www.doe.mass.edu/sda/ucd/PLCguidance.doc>
- Common Planning Time Self-Assessment Toolkit: <http://www.doe.mass.edu/sda/ucd/CPTtoolkit.doc>

VIII. Tiered instruction and adequate learning time:

- MA Tiered System of Support (MTSS): <http://www.doe.mass.edu/mtss/default.html>

IX. Students' social, emotional, and health needs:

- The Behavioral Health and Public Schools Framework: <http://bhps321.org/viewframework.asp>
- Bullying Prevention and Intervention Resources: <http://www.doe.mass.edu/bullying/>
- Safe and Healthy Learning Environments: <http://www.doe.mass.edu/ssce/safety.html>

X. Family-school engagement:

- Adult and Community Learning Services (ACLS): <http://www.doe.mass.edu/acls/>
- Massachusetts Family Literacy Consortium: <http://www.doe.mass.edu/familylit/cal.html>
- Family and Community Engagement Standards: <http://www.doe.mass.edu/boe/sac/parent/FSCPfundamentals.pdf>
- Students and Families: http://www.doe.mass.edu/FamComm/f_studentsupport.html

XI. Strategic Use of Resources and Adequate Budget Authority:

- DART Detail, Staffing and Finance: <http://www.doe.mass.edu/apa/dart/>
- ESEA Waiver's Impact on Titles I and IIA: <http://www.doe.mass.edu/apa/titlei/default.html?section=GI>

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The following links lead to documents or web pages related to the District Self Assessment. While all available ESE resources are not listed, the list provides key access points from which to further explore what ESE has to offer districts and schools. If you would like to recommend other resources for this list, please email districtassist@doe.mass.edu

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- Conditions for School Effectiveness Self-Assessment: <http://www.doe.mass.edu/sda/framework/default.html>
- District Standards and Indicators: <http://www.doe.mass.edu/sda/review/district/>

I. Leadership, Governance and Communication

- Exploring Best Practices in School Redesign: Cases from the Field: <http://www.doe.mass.edu/sda/framework/level4/>
- District Data Team Toolkit: <http://www.doe.mass.edu/sda/ucd/>
- New Policy Standards for Principals, Superintendents, and Other Leadership Roles: <http://www.doe.mass.edu/edleadership/policy/>
- Performance Improvement Mapping: <http://www.doe.mass.edu/sda/regional/pim/default.html>
- School/District Profiles: <http://profiles.doe.mass.edu/>

II. Curriculum and Instruction

- Characteristics of Standards-Based Teaching and Learning: <http://www.doe.mass.edu/sda/ucd/walk/>
- Characteristics of a Standards-Based Mathematics Classroom: http://www.doe.mass.edu/omste/news07/mathclass_char.doc
- Characteristics of a Standards-Based Science Classroom: http://www.doe.mass.edu/omste/news07/scitechclass_char.pdf
- Connecting Math and Literature Library by Grade Level: <http://www.doe.mass.edu/omste/instructional.html>
- English Language Proficiency Benchmarks and Outcomes (ELPBO): <http://www.doe.mass.edu/ell/curriculum.html>
- Guide for Developing Content-Based English as a Second Language (ESL) Curriculum: <http://www.doe.mass.edu/ell/cdguide/?section=steps>
- Learning Walkthrough Implementation Guide: <http://www.doe.mass.edu/sda/ucd/>
- MCAS Resource Guide: <http://www.doe.mass.edu/mcas/alt/resources.html>
- Massachusetts Curriculum Frameworks: <http://www.doe.mass.edu/frameworks/current.html>
- Massachusetts PreK-12 Literacy Plan: <http://www.doe.mass.edu/literacy/nga/>
- MCAS performance level descriptions: <http://www.doe.mass.edu/mcas/tdd/pld/>
- Sample Ideas for Summer English Language Education Semester Programs: <http://www.doe.mass.edu/sda/framework/level4/SampleSummerPrograms.pdf>
- Science and Technology/Engineering Strand Maps: <http://www.doe.mass.edu/omste/maps/default.html>
- Standards-Based Characteristics of Teaching and Learning Sheltered English: <http://www.doe.mass.edu/sda/framework/level4/SEIContentContinuum.pdf>

III. Assessment

- District Analysis and Review Tool (DART): <http://www.doe.mass.edu/sda/dart/>
- Education Data Warehouse: <http://www.doe.mass.edu/infoservices/dw/>
- Performance Improvement Mapping (PIM): <http://www.doe.mass.edu/sda/regional/pim/>
- Student Growth Percentile resources: <http://www.doe.mass.edu/mcas/growth/>

IV. Human Resource Management and Professional Development

- Common Planning Time Self-Assessment Toolkit: <http://www.doe.mass.edu/sda/ucd/>
- Mathematics Learning Community: Professional Development Curriculum Materials: <http://www.doe.mass.edu/omste/instructional.html>
- Professional Learning Communities Guidance: <http://www.doe.mass.edu/sda/ucd/>
- Selecting Outstanding Teachers for Level 4 Schools: <http://www.doe.mass.edu/sda/framework/level4/SelectingTeachers.pdf>

V. Student Support

- Safe and Healthy Learning Environments: <http://www.doe.mass.edu/ssce/safety.html>
- Addressing Students' Social, Emotional, and Health Needs: <http://www.doe.mass.edu/sda/framework/level4/StudentsNeeds.pdf>
- Adult and Community Learning Services (ACLS): <http://www.doe.mass.edu/acls/>
- The Behavioral Health and Public Schools Framework: <http://bhps321.org/viewframework.asp>
- Bullying Prevention and Intervention Resources: <http://www.doe.mass.edu/ssce/bullying/>
- Expanded Learning Opportunities for Students: <http://www.doe.mass.edu/sda/framework/level4/LearningOpportunities.pdf>
- Family and Community Engagement Standards: <http://www.doe.mass.edu/sda/framework/level4/PCEIstandards.doc>
- Massachusetts Family Literacy Consortium: <http://www.doe.mass.edu/familylit/>
- Students and Families: http://www.doe.mass.edu/FamComm/f_studentsupport.html
- The Massachusetts Tiered System of Support (MTSS) Resources: <http://www.doe.mass.edu/mtss/tiers.html>

VI. Financial and Asset Management

- An ESE advisory memo on reporting by municipal agencies: <http://finance1.doe.mass.edu/account/Reporting.doc>
- At-A-Glance Community Reports from the Department of Revenue website: http://www.mass.gov/?pageID=dorterminal&L=4&L0=Home&L1=Local+Officials&L2=Municipal+Data+and+Financial+Management&L3=Data+Bank+Reports&sid=Ador&b=terminalcontent&f=dls_mdmstuf_aag_aagindex&csid=Ador
- Chapter 70 trends: <http://finance1.doe.mass.edu/chapter70/profile.xls>
- End-of-Year Financial Report information: <http://finance1.doe.mass.edu/account/eoy11.html>
- DART Staffing and Finance User Guide and updates: <http://www.doe.mass.edu/sda/dart>

- District Analysis and Review Tool (DART): Staffing and Finance:
<http://www.doe.mass.edu/sda/dart/DARTFinanceStaff.xls>
- Massachusetts Department of Revenue site map:
<http://www.mass.gov/?pageID=dorutilities&L=1&sid=Ador&U=sitemap>
- Municipal Finance Glossary from the Department of Revenue website:
<http://www.mass.gov/?pageID=dorsubtopic&L=6&L0=Home&L1=Local+Officials&L2=DLS+Newsroom&L3=DLS+Publications&L4=Municipal+Knowledge+Base&L5=Municipal+Finance+Glossary&sid=Ador>
- Primer on Levy Limits/Proposition 2 ½ from the Department of Revenue website:
<http://www.mass.gov/Ador/docs/dls/publ/misc/levylimits.pdf>
- State regulations on School Finance and Accountability at 603 CMR 10:00:
<http://www.doe.mass.edu/lawsregs/603cmr10.html>:
- Per-Pupil Expenditures information: <http://finance1.doe.mass.edu/statistics/ppx10.html>