



Evidence-Based Direct Support for Continuous Improvement in Schools and Districts

What does NYKids offer?

Our NY-focused improvement hub conducts and uses research from NYS schools and couples it with improvement science to build improvement capacity in schools and districts

What is our process and who leads it?

We convene your school improvement team(s) in 2-day intensive COMPASS institutes with check-ins throughout the school year. Your team will...

- COMPare your school with NYKids positive outlier schools
- Assess local school needs and priorities
- Select high leverage improvement ideas to test
- Set SMART goals and near term aims
- Implement and monitor evidence-based action plans

We are a team of researchers and practicing professionals with over 70 years combined experience leading school improvement initiatives in over 50 NYS schools



If identified as a LSI, CSI, TSI, or ATSI school, learn how to engage your school team(s) in designing and implementing your improvement plan

- Learn how to analyze and use survey data to inform priority areas in your plan
- Learn how to work as a team toward a shared goal/commitment in your plan
- Learn to be problem-focused and equity-oriented in your improvement team meetings
- Learn how to make sense of and share progress
- Learn how to use improvement processes and tools for system-wide and lasting improvements

Our Mission:

Helping make educational systems get better at getting better by tapping the best of our practical and research knowledge, tools, and processes

Testimonials

“Check-ins and the [COMPASS] template itself really lends itself to making sure you are articulating responsibilities, the who, what, when and where of all things.”
—Principal, rural school

“This institute allowed us to think through and discuss where we are now and where we can go. The time with colleagues and time to focus on specific pieces of a school or two was invaluable.”
- Teacher, suburban school



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