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# FIVE SCHOOLS, ONE GOAL: Building Capacity for Standards-Aligned Instruction

UPD Consulting and  
Miami-Dade County Public Schools  
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How familiar are you with the Common Core State Standards? \*

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2

3

4

No clue what  
those are...

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I'm an expert!

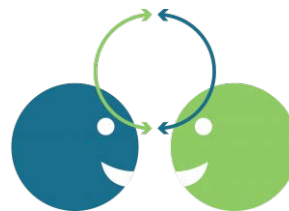


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# We are public sector change agents.



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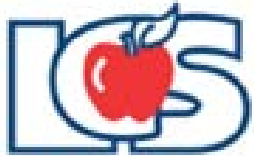
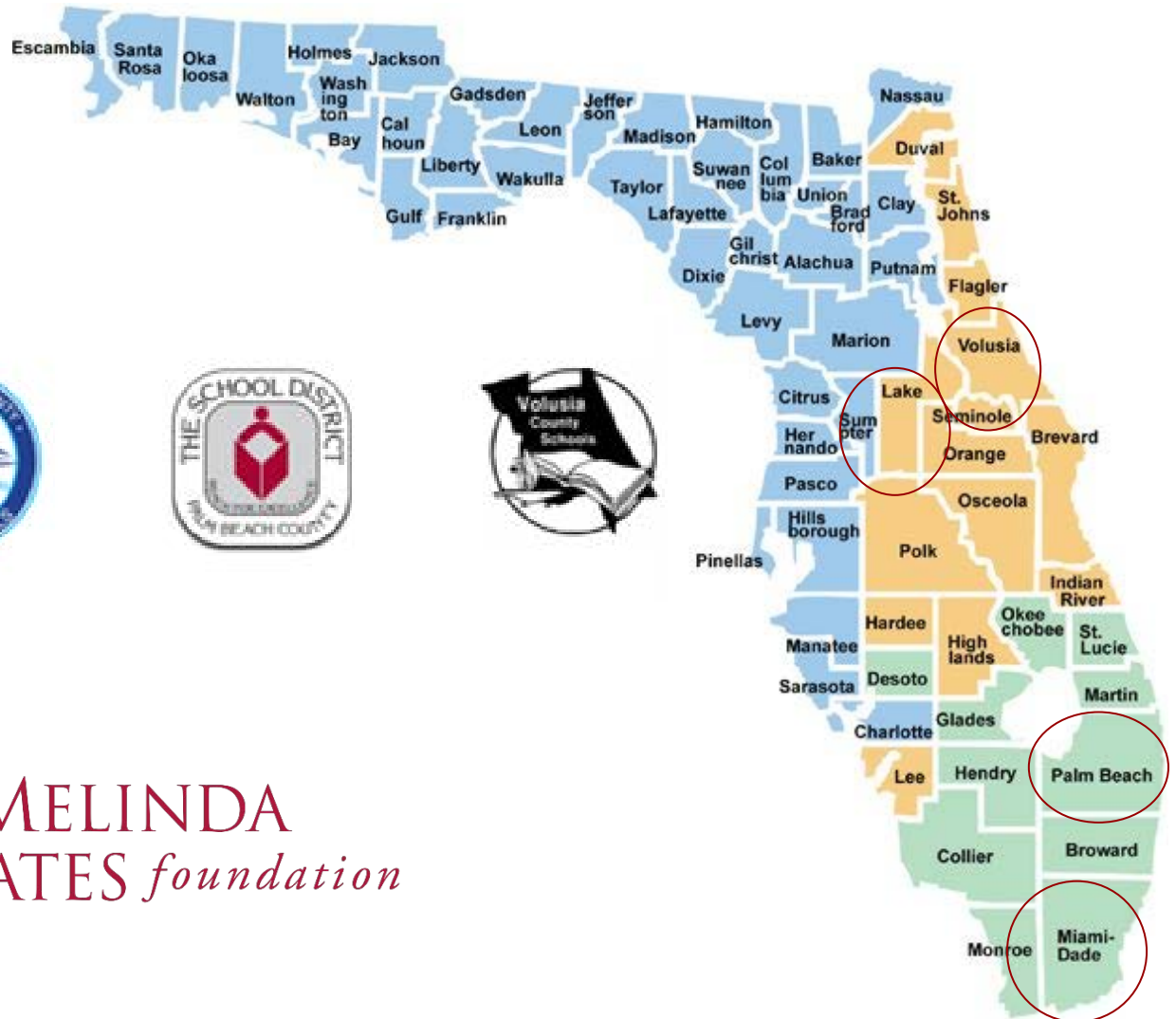


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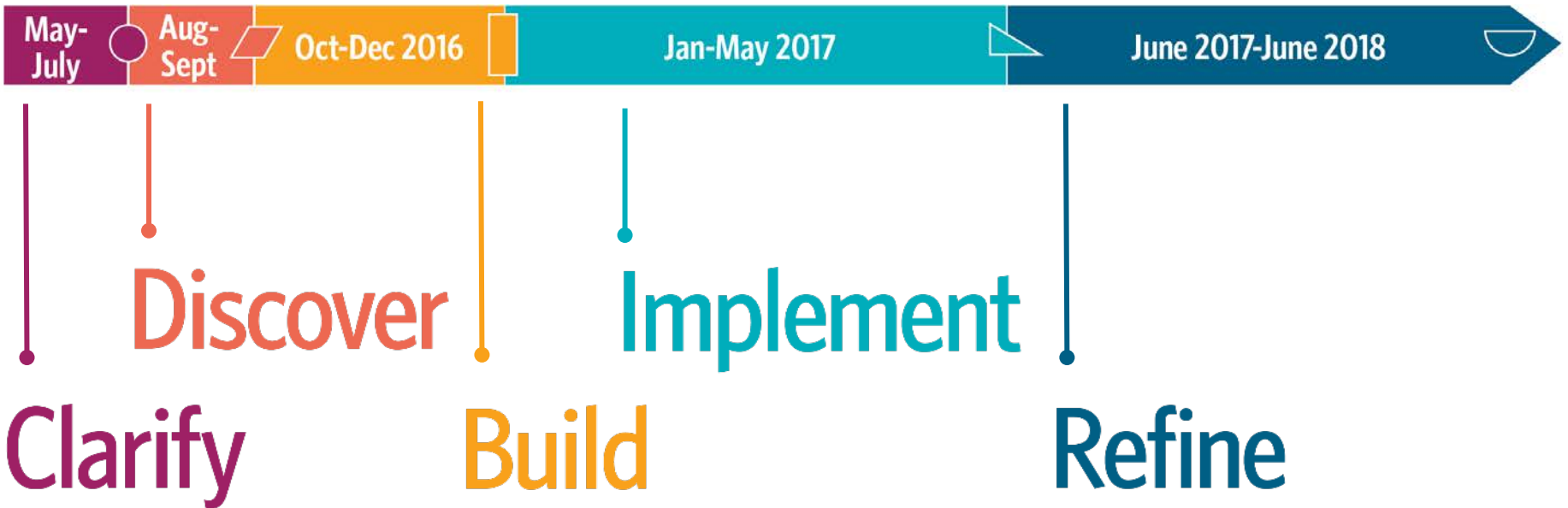


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# The Florida Implementation Network



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GATES *foundation*

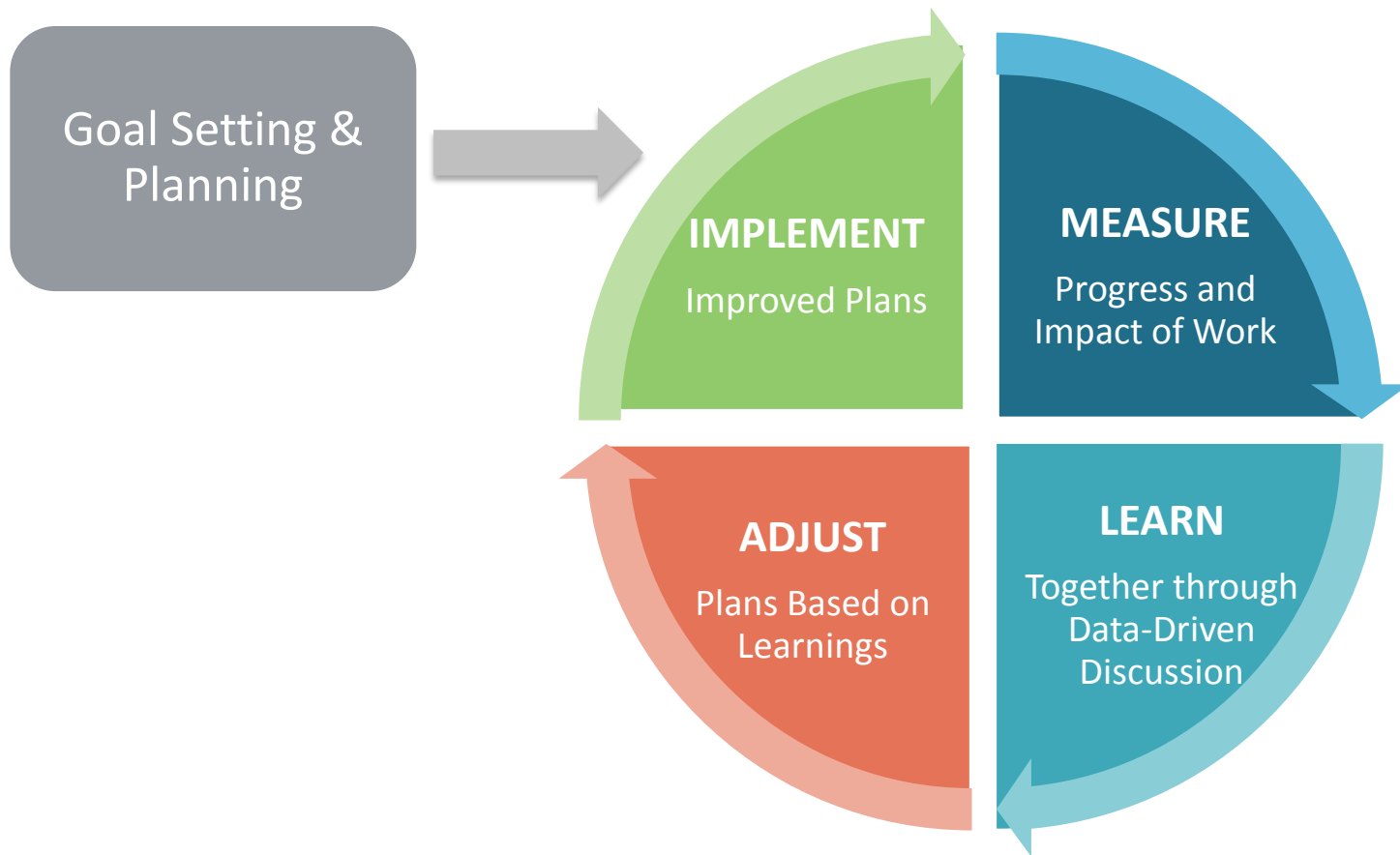


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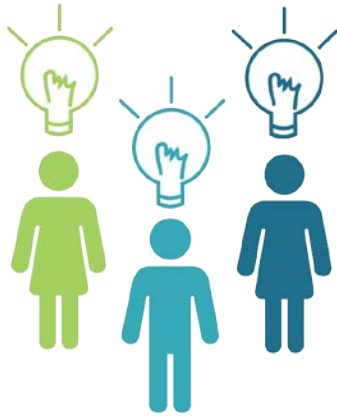
# UPD's Continuous Improvement Cycle



All four districts conducted data-informed continuous improvement sessions throughout the year with cross functional teams made up of district and school-level staff.



# The Big Ideas



Working Together Matters



There is No “Perfect” Data

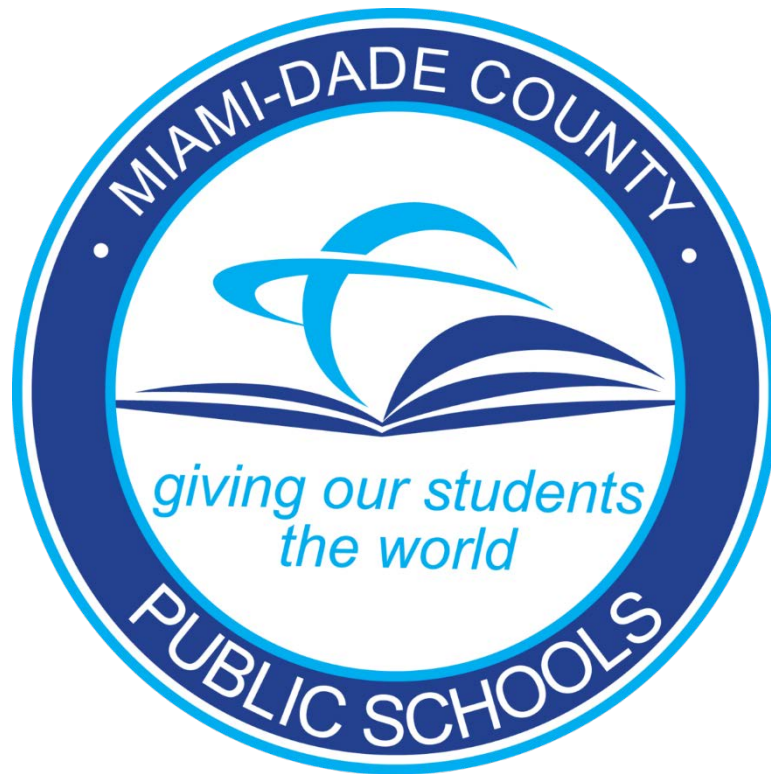


Managing Change Must Be Explicit



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# Miami-Dade County Public Schools





# Project Objectives



What does it look like for Principals and APs to serve as instructional leaders with the Standards and Shifts as a priority for their schools?

What does the district need to do to support Principals and APs as instructional leaders?



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# Project Design

Continue BUILDING Instructional  
Leadership Capacity **Broadly**

Instructional  
Rounds

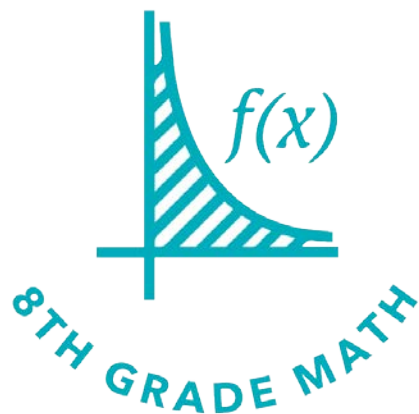
While LEARNING How to Support  
Sustainable Change **Deeply**

Deep Dive  
Learning  
Cycles



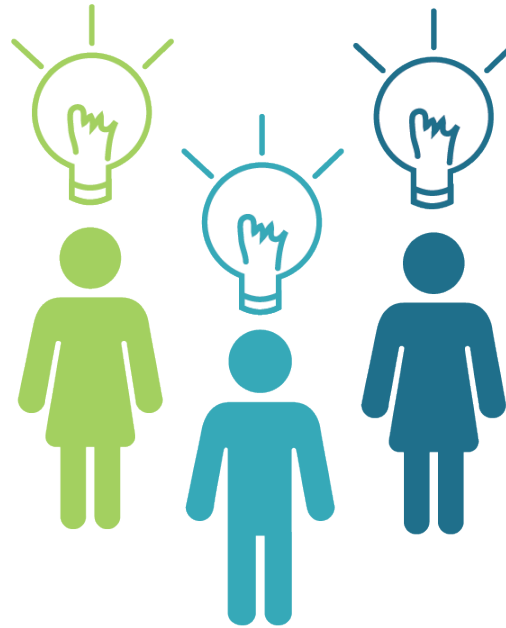
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# Deep Dive Design





# Big Idea #1



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# District Design Team

Academics

School  
Operations

Human  
Capital  
Management

School  
Leadership





## M-DCPS Classroom Practice Reflection Guide for Math

### Post-observation Reflection

**AFTER THE LESSON: ANALYZE** the data you collected to identify a focus area for reflection with the teacher or for future professional learning.

#### Focus Area

##### **STANDARDS: Understand how the lesson connects to standards.**

Use the district pacing guide or information from the classroom to determine the standard the teacher was working on.

- Did the lesson appropriately address the concepts, skills or number types described in the grade level standard?
- Did the lesson intentionally relate new concepts to students' prior skills and knowledge?
- How does the observed portion of the lesson target conceptual understanding, procedural skill and fluency or application? Compare this to the aspect of rigor called for by the standard.
- Does the lesson help students work toward the depth of the standard?

**RESOURCES:** Standards app, M-DCPS Pacing Guides, Coherence Map, UnboundEd Content Guides, Major Work Charts (K-8)

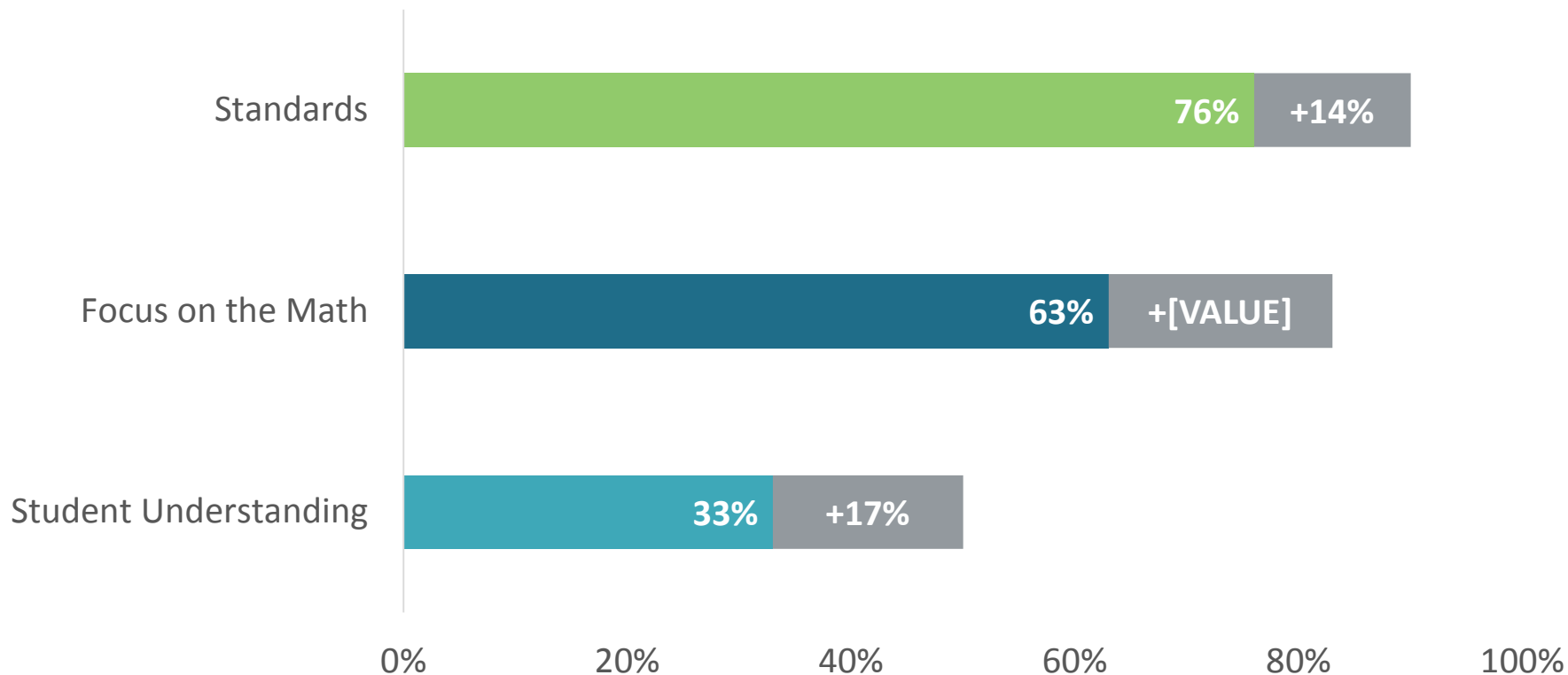
##### **FOCUS ON THE MATH: Understand how teachers are students are thinking about and interacting with math concepts and skills.**

- Is the mathematics of the lesson explicit, clear and correct?
- Do the questions, tasks and tools help make the mathematics of the lesson clear to students?
- Do students have opportunities to make sense of problems and persevere in solving them?
- Do students have opportunities to creatively and flexibly use mathematics?
- Does the teacher deliberately check for understanding throughout the lesson and adapt the lesson according to student understanding?

**RESOURCES:** Coherence Map, Math Progressions, Standards for Mathematical Practice

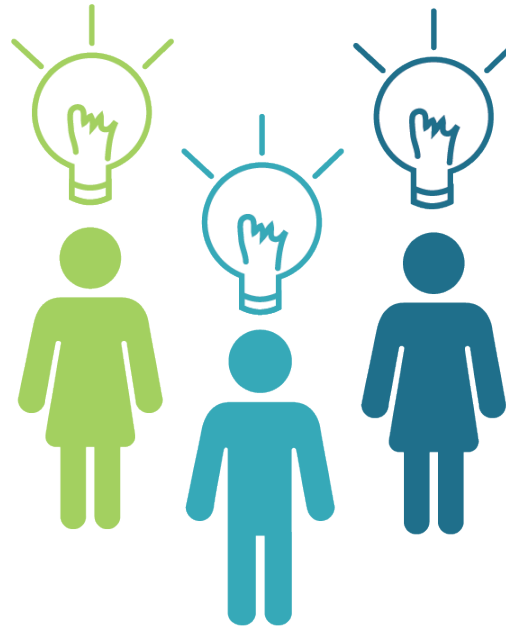


# Setting Targets Collaboratively





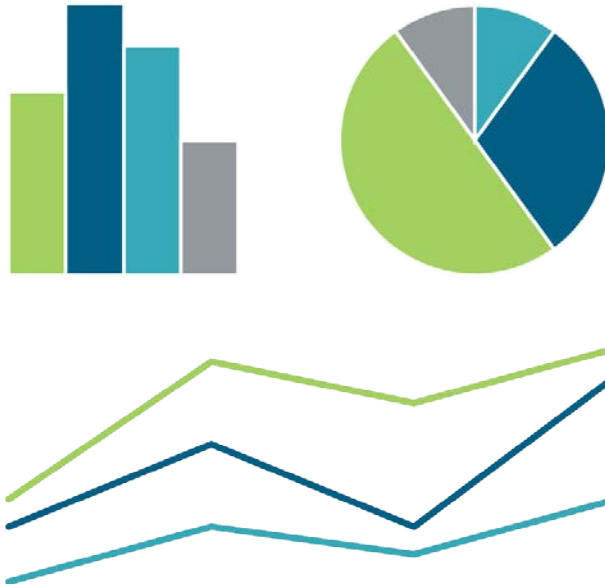
# District Reflection



## Working Together Matters



## Big Idea #2



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# Monthly Deep Dive Learning Cycles

District  
Learning  
Cycles

Assistant  
Principal  
Learning  
Cycles

Teacher  
Learning  
Cycles



# Deep Dive Continuous Improvement Cycle Metrics

FOCUS AREA	METRICS
<b>SHARED VISION</b>	<p>P/AP and T agreement levels with the following on monthly surveys:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• I have a strong understanding of the FL math standards.</li><li>• I am confident in my ability to implement the shifts in instruction required by the FL math standards in my classroom.</li><li>• My district has a clear vision for and prioritizes implementation of the Florida math standards.</li><li>• My school team shares a clear vision for implementation of the FL math standards in our classrooms.</li></ul>
<b>USE OF THE REFLECTION GUIDE</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Walkthrough tracker (# per week per teacher, for each observer)</li><li>• % P/APs “normed” on use of the Reflection Guide</li><li>• % of teachers indicating actionable and meaningful feedback</li></ul>
<b>PROF. DEV.</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• % Attendance at monthly PDs</li><li>• % Teacher satisfaction/indicating that monthly PD will help or has helped their practices</li><li>• % of Ts bringing student work to monthly PDs</li><li>• % principals satisfaction/indicating that PD will help or has helped their practices</li></ul>
<b>PROCESSES &amp; SYSTEMS</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Amount of time Ps/APs spent implementing processes associated with Reflection Guide and feedback</li><li>• % of Ps/Aps reporting use of reflection guide data to inform supports for Ts</li><li>• % of Ps /APs reporting “ease of use” of the reflection guide</li><li>• Plan implementation progress</li></ul>
<b>OUTCOME MEASURES</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• %/# of students scores increasing on assessment (formative or summative/unit tests) after PD cycle</li><li>• Student performance on district math assessments aligned to the standards (interims)</li><li>• Teacher alignment to the standards as measured using the IPGs (Core Actions 1, 2 and 3)</li></ul>



## Select Data from Cycle #3 (Ending Feb. 16, 2018)

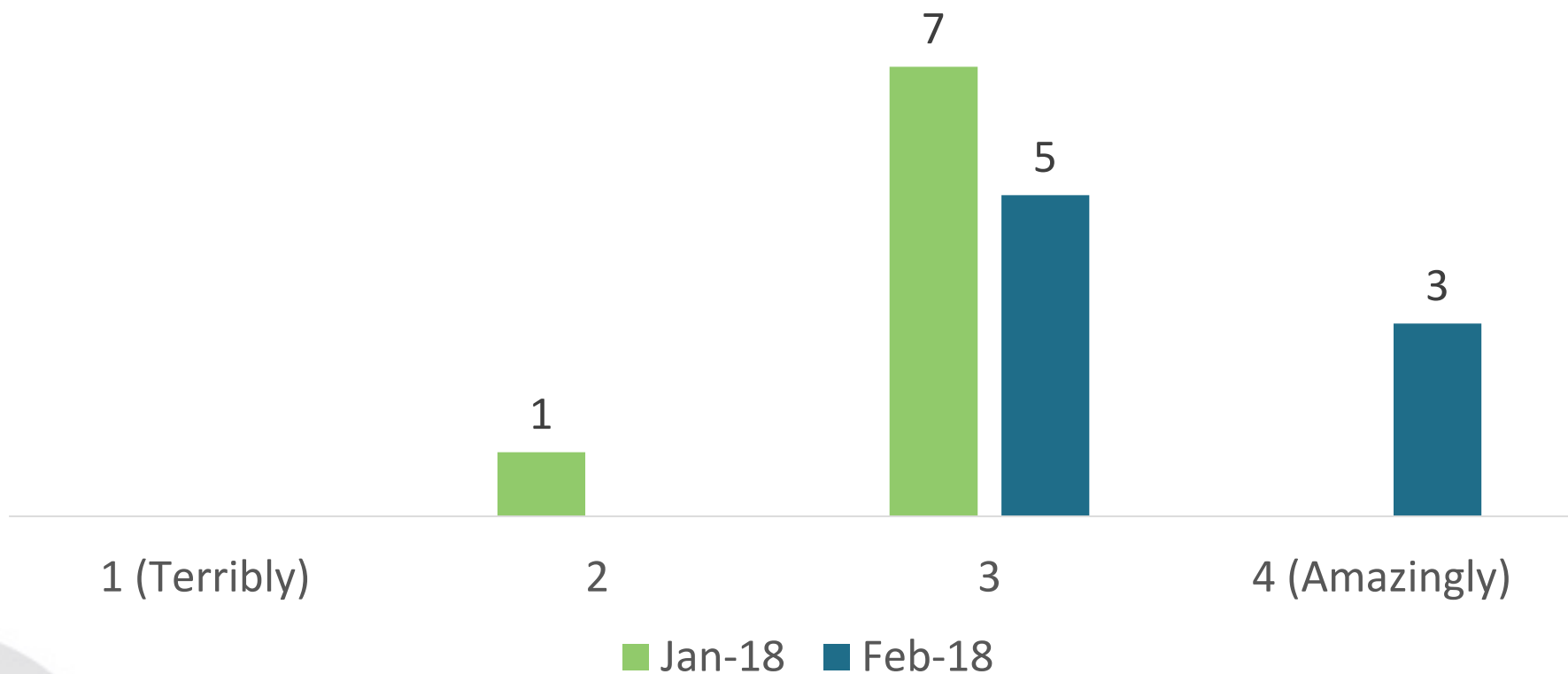
Schools conducted **75%** of the anticipated walkthroughs in this cycle; up from **63%** in cycle 2 and **50%** in cycle 1.

Individual school completion of weekly walkthroughs is **between 50% and 100%.**

Average length of walkthroughs remained at **22 minutes**, the same as Cycle 2 and **down from 36 minutes** in Cycle 1.



## How well has your deep dive implementation been going so far?



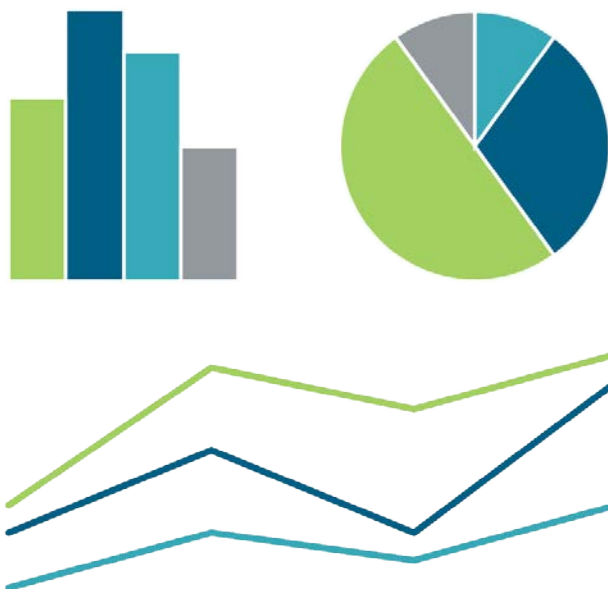


# Successes and Challenges





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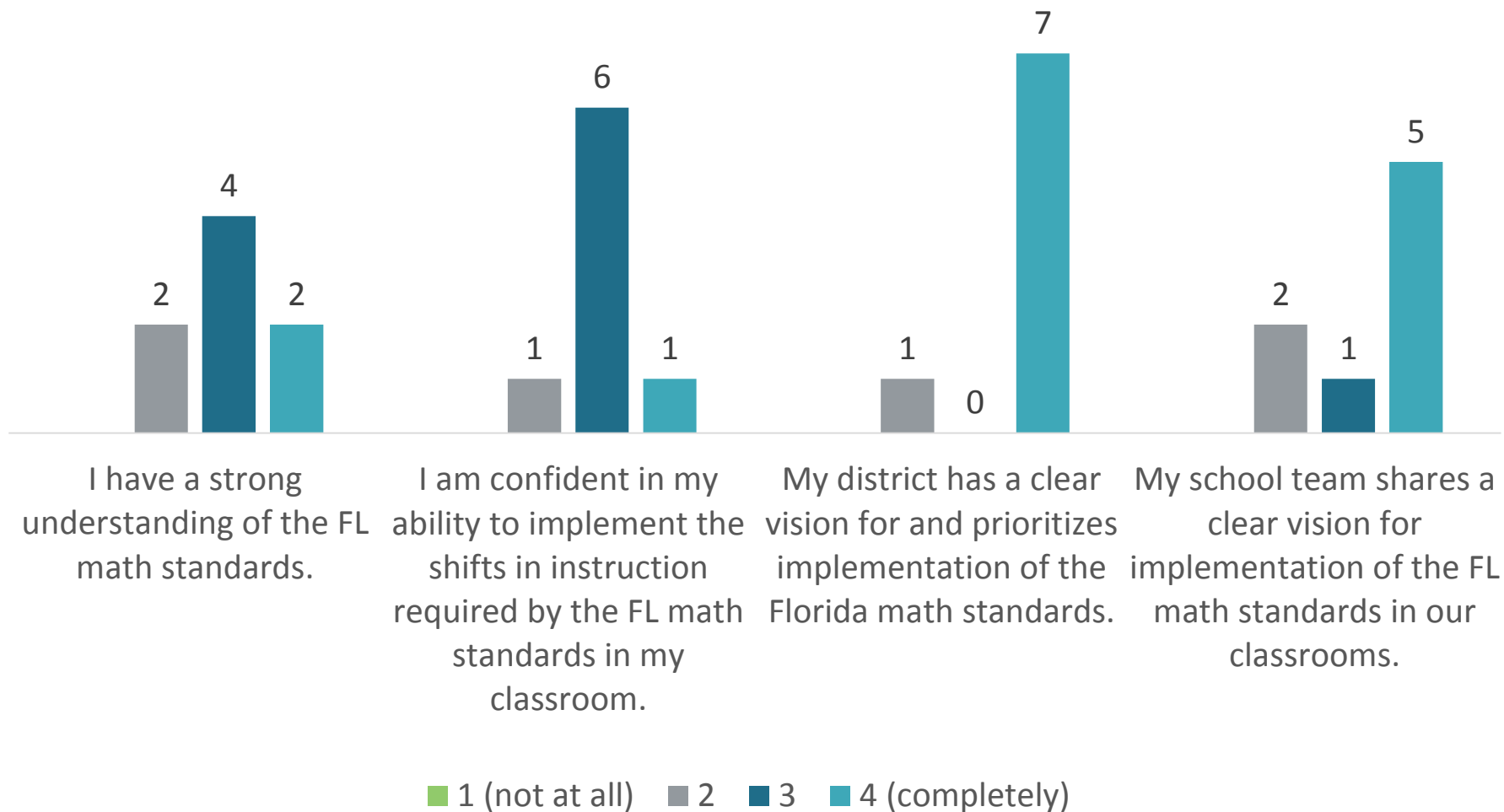
## Big Idea #3



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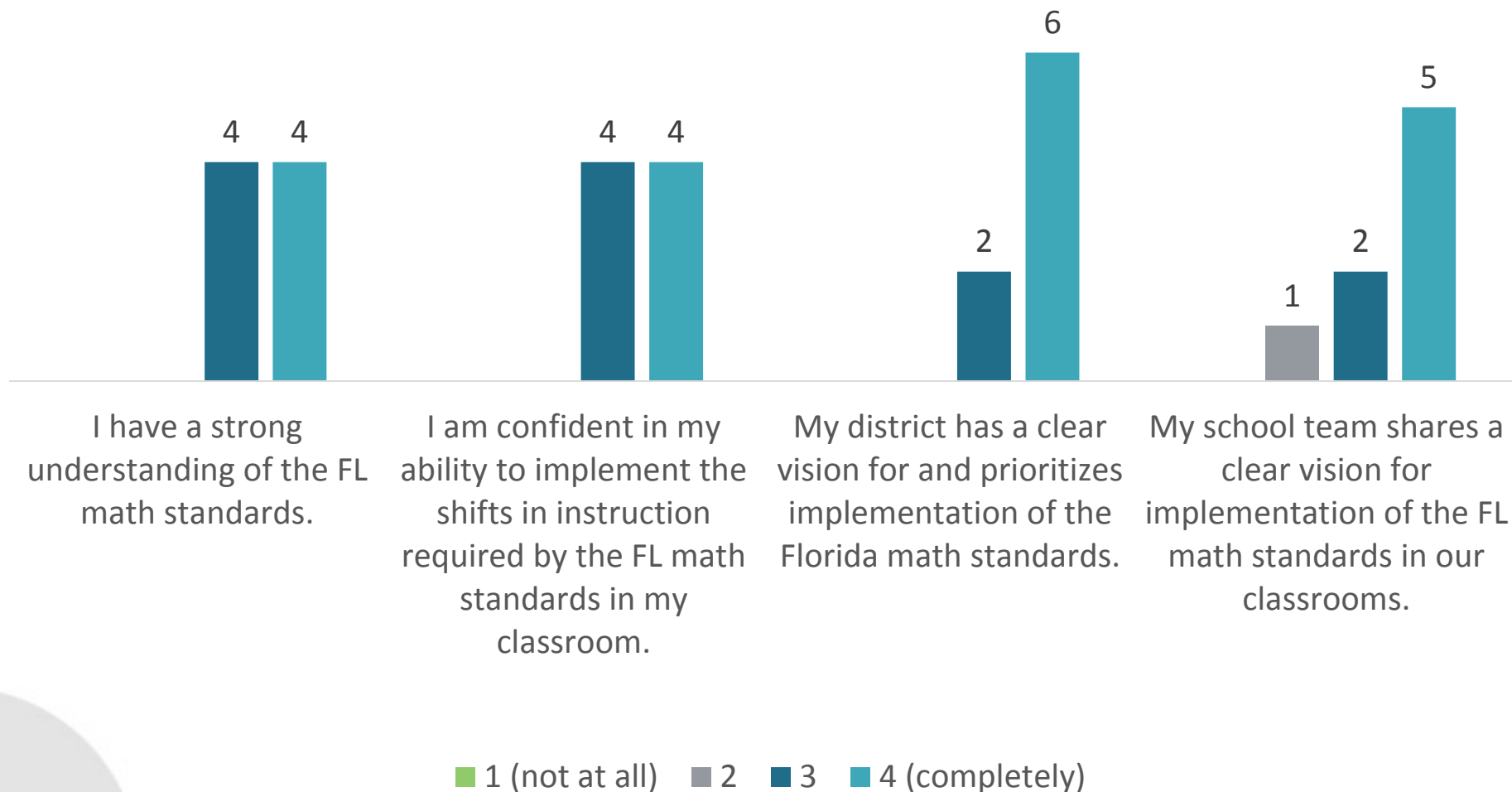


## Building a Shared Vision (Dec. 2017)





## Building a Shared Vision (Feb. 2018)





## Teacher and Administrator “Current Feelings on the Deep Dive” (Feb. 2017)

A.



B.



C.



**All “Bs” for the first time!**



## In Their Own Words...

*I'm being more thoughtful about the standards.*

*Administrators are more involved in what we are doing.*

*My students are getting a deeper understanding of what math means to them.*

*I'm used to it now.  
Communication has been easier.  
Now there is a weekly expectation of "why haven't you come into my classroom yet?"*

*It's encouraging that teachers want more conversation with administrators - it means it isn't frightening, especially for new teachers.*

*It becomes part of your culture quickly.*



## District Design Team (Feb 2018)

<u>I used to believe...</u>	<u>Now I believe...</u>
Static frame of mind	flexibility/possibility
• Worked from a perspec. of fear/apprehension	• greater potential & learning
• Know it all (need a plan)	• Learn as you go! (need a map)
• Plan for perfection	• plan for change



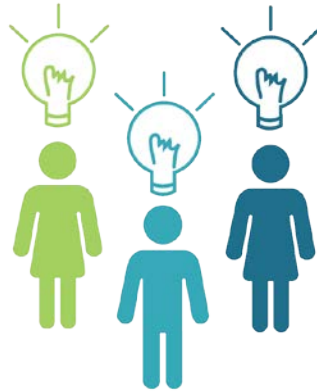
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# Thank you!

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## FLI Network Theory of Change

**Common understanding and prioritization of the shifts**

**Aligned curricular materials, systems, and instructional tools**

**Effective supports for educators to make the shifts and meet the standards**

**Organize for change through focused leadership, people-centered practices, and learning culture**

**Ongoing cross-district Network learning and collaboration opportunities**

**Increases in alignment of instructional practice to the standards...**

**...leading to improvements in student outcomes**