

MAKING SCHOOLS WORK



Key Practices for the Elementary Grades

- 1 Culture of Learning** — Create a culture that inspires learning and promotes excellence for students, teachers and the school community.
— *Leadership for Continuous Improvement*
- 2 Aligned Curriculum** — Design and deliver instruction that helps students understand the full intent of the standards.
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- 3 Integrated Literacy** — Design and deliver instruction that promotes the development of literacy skills by integrating literacy standards in all content areas.
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- 4 Engaging Instruction** — Design and provide robust, standards-driven instruction that challenges students to complete high-quality assignments.
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- 5 Instructional Collaboration** — Provide the time, structures and supports for teachers to collaboratively plan instruction, assignments and assessments.
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- 6 Career Awareness** — Provide each student with authentic learning experiences that tap into children’s natural curiosity and spark awareness of their community, country and world.
— *Career Pathways*
- 7 Parents and Communities** — Establish meaningful opportunities for parents and community partners to support teaching and learning.
— *Systems of Support*
- 8 Systems of Support** — Provide high-quality academic and social-emotional counseling and support services that prepare each student for educational success.
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- 9 Access and Equity** — Support each child and family with the curricular, instructional and social-emotional resources they need to thrive.
— *Career Pathways*
- 10 Leadership for Continuous Improvement** — Engage the whole school community in using data to identify problems and developing plans to solve them.
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Making Schools Work Problem-Solving Process

(Based on Deming Model)

