Performance-Based Learning and Assessment Networks (PLAN) Pilot Advisory Workgroups

The Performance-Based Learning and Assessment Networks (PLAN) Pilot will assess the conditions under which performance-based assessment approaches can be implemented in a diverse range of New York schools, and how to support schools in making that transition. The purpose of the PLAN Pilot Advisory Workgroups is to advise NYSED and Regents Research Fund program staff on the design and implementation of this pilot program.

Charge

Collaborate to make recommendations on various aspects of pilot design and implementation, including but not limited to school readiness, network design, professional learning experiences, and pilot research and evaluation.

Expectations

During the initial phases of the pilot, Advisory Workgroups meet as often as needed for members to come to a common understanding of the pilot's purpose and to develop recommendations for NYSED and Regents Research Fund program staff. Time-limited Workgroups delve more deeply into particular issues related to the pilot's design and implementation. Each Workgroup is charged with a specific element of the pilot to advise on.

Following the pilot installation phase, Advisory Workgroups will continue to meet as needed until the culmination of the pilot.

Advisors are asked to commit to serve for a 2-year term, with the potential for membership to be renewed up to the full duration of the pilot.

Key Points for Consultation

Advisory Workgroups provide advice to program staff on matters such as:

- Key features that may distinguish potential pilot schools from schools already successfully implementing a system of performance-based learning and assessment;
- Professional learning experiences and activities to build assessment literacy and support educators in implementing approaches to performance-based learning and assessment;
- Considerations and processes for matching schools and successfully launching supportive networks in diverse regions of the state; and
- Data collection needs and research and evaluation methods.