



The CORE Data Collaborative

CORE Districts is a collaboration of school districts working together to improve student achievement through highly productive, meaningful partnership and learning between member school districts. Over the past several years, with leadership from and stakeholder engagement in school districts throughout California, CORE Districts has developed an innovative multiple measures accountability system, called the School Quality Improvement System, as well as an underlying data system. This accountability system is fully compliant with the new federal ESSA legislation and is aligned to LCFF – in fact, the metrics utilized for the Index (the calculation at the heart of the accountability system) can be used for the LCAP, and CORE calculates all of the measures in the California Dashboard as well.

To that end, **CORE has opened up our data and support system, forming a Data Collaborative that every LEA in California, including hub organizations, is welcome to join.**

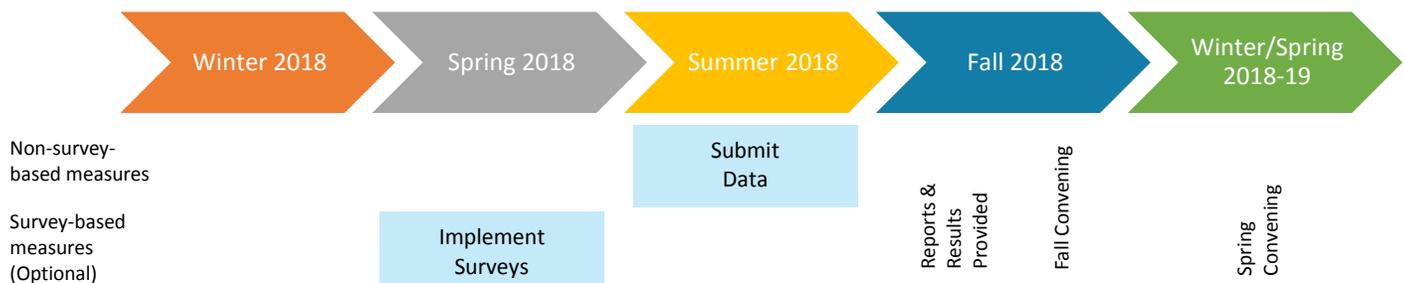
Data Collaborative Membership Benefits

CORE Data Collaborative members will receive:

- Multi-metric school and district Data Dashboards with performance benchmarked against peers across California;
 - Included metrics: Academic Achievement, **Academic Growth**, High School Readiness, Graduation, Chronic Absence, Suspension Rates, English Learner Re-Designation Rates;
 - Optional metrics: Social Emotional Skills, and Student/Staff/Family Climate Surveys;
- Dynamic reporting and opportunities for deeper analysis using the our CORE Insights Dashboard;
- Strategic analytics by CORE Districts’ partners at Education Analytics;
- Integration of measures and learnings into CORE District PLC sessions; and
- Additional professional/peer learning opportunities.

The CORE Data Collaborative includes 50 districts and almost 2,000,000 students. Joining them will give your LEA a more complete picture of student learning, supporting continual improvement and raising student achievement.

Timing for joining the Data Collaborative for SY 2017-18



Data Use Agreements and Ensuring the Confidentiality of Student Data

CORE Districts and their data management, analytical and research partners are experienced with and will ensure the confidentiality and security of student data. Participating districts will be signing “joinder agreements” to the CORE Data Use Agreement, which specifies the mechanisms by which data will be managed in ways that maintain security and confidentiality. A few highlights –

- **Following state and federal laws and regulations regarding student data:** For the past several years in working with millions of student records across the CORE Data Collaborative, CORE and our partners follow state and federal laws, rules, and regulations with respect to the handling of student level data (e.g., FERPA).
- **Highly experienced partners with track record of securely and privately managing student data:** Our data management and analytical partners at Education Analytics work with student level data at states and districts across the country. Additionally, our research partnership with Policy Analysis for California Education (PACE) is based at Stanford University, one of the nation’s most prestigious research institutions.
- **No public disclosure of identifiable information about students:** In accordance with local, state and federal policy, there will be no public disclosure of personally identifiable student information.
- **Districts retain ownership and decision-making about data use:** Beyond the explicit purposes identified in the data use agreement (e.g., the calculation of the CORE data indicators for use in continuous improvement efforts), districts will retain ownership of the student data and will designate staff who can make decisions about additional uses of the data (e.g., for policy analysis and research purposes beyond what has been articulated in the data use agreement).
- **Districts are decision-makers about who has access to data:** Just like other tools and software applications (e.g., local student information systems), designated district staff will identify who has access to what data (e.g., who can “drill into” results all the way to the student level).
- **Public reporting of school and district level results optional:** The decision to publicly release school and/or district level results similarly remains a decision of district level designated decision makers.
- **Research conducted on data will be stripped of student identifiers:** Any research on the data conducted by researchers in the PACE network will be on data that has been stripped of student identifiers, and data will be accessed on a secure server at Stanford University.

While student level data is necessary to conduct the kinds of rich, actionable analyses that participating districts will be privy to through the CORE Data Collaborative, we fully recognize the responsibility that comes along with managing this information.



Data Collaborative Membership Costs

Preliminary costs for participation in the CORE Data Collaborative are:

- \$28,000 per Partnering Education Agency (PEA) for data collection, analysis and reporting
- \$0.28 per student for professional learning support

| Number of Students in the PEA | Annual Cost for a PEA of this Size |
|-------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| 1,000 | \$ 28,280 |
| 5,000 | \$ 29,400 |
| 10,000 | \$ 30,800 |
| 15,000 | \$ 32,200 |
| 20,000 | \$ 33,600 |
| 25,000 | \$ 35,000 |
| 30,000 | \$ 36,400 |
| 40,000 | \$ 39,200 |
| 50,000 | \$ 42,000 |
| 75,000 | \$ 49,000 |
| 100,000 | \$ 56,000 |

- Optional: SEL and Culture-Climate Survey Administration through our partners at Panorama at a 20 percent discount on Panorama's national pricing:
 - Survey administration;
 - Data collection;
 - Data analysis; and
 - High-quality reports outlining school performance on SEL-CC indicators.

About CORE Districts

CORE Districts is a collaboration of school districts working together to improve student achievement through highly productive, meaningful partnership and learning between member school districts. Currently, nine school districts serving more than 1 million students participate in the collaborative: Fresno, Garden Grove, Long Beach, Los Angeles, Oakland, Sacramento, San Francisco, and Santa Ana Unified. Together, our districts share a fundamental belief that all students can achieve at high levels and are deeply committed to providing learning opportunities that will help them to do so. Organizationally, CORE Districts is a 501c3 nonprofit serving as a hub for this collaboration and supporting partnership and shared learning at the superintendent, central office, school leader, and teacher levels.

CORE Districts' long-term goal is for all California students to have strong support, effective programming, and an educational community standing together by their side so that they can achieve and succeed in college and career. We are working towards this goal by supporting and facilitating inter- and intra-district collaboration to innovate, implement, and scale successful strategies and tools that help students succeed.

For more information, please visit coredistricts.org.

