



# State Support Network

Partnering for School Improvement

The U.S. Department of Education's Office of State Support (OSS) is pleased to announce the **State Support Network**, a technical assistance initiative designed to support State and district school improvement efforts.

The State Support Network will collaborate with States, districts, and technical assistance partners to:



Elevate student outcomes



Scale systemic solutions



Share learning and leverage effective evidence-based practices



Build sustainable partnerships with states and other technical assistance providers

## How does the State Support Network assist States and districts?

The State Support Network will bring States, districts, technical assistance providers, and experts together to analyze challenges and support schools. As States and districts design and implement new school improvement systems, the State Support Network will clarify and confirm needs of States and districts, complement and connect ongoing technical assistance efforts, and accelerate providers' efforts by offering additional support.

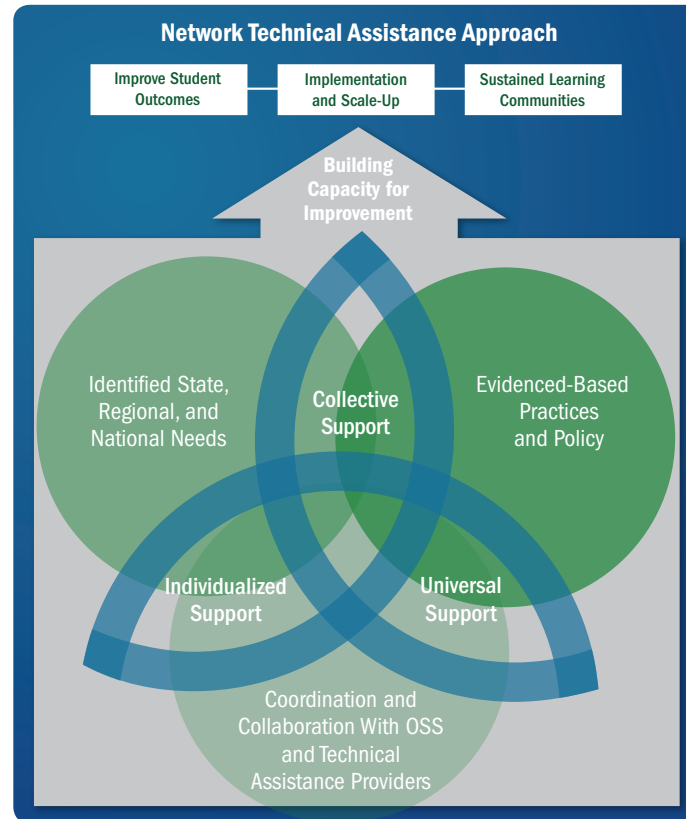
In the first year of work, the State Support Network will help States and districts:

1. **Take stock** of lessons learned from prior systemic school improvement efforts.
2. **Assess districts' and schools' needs and assets** to inform improvement strategies.
3. **Build sustainable systems** to support continuous improvement and ensure student success.

## Addressing needs through differentiated supports

The State Support Network is focused on supporting State and district school improvement efforts. In close coordination and collaboration with other technical assistance providers, we will offer varying levels of technical assistance support, including:

- **Universal support** through broadly shared school improvement resources organized on a user-friendly website. Resources will include case studies, guidelines, and checklists for implementation, among other materials.
- **Collective support** for technical assistance delivered in person, virtually, and shared by multiple organizations. Based on feedback from States and districts, we will provide more opportunities for you to collaborate directly with peers and communities of practice to solve common challenges.
- **Individual support** focused on direct technical assistance from subject matter experts delivered in person and virtually to address specific State and district needs.



Contact [StateSupportNetwork@air.org](mailto:StateSupportNetwork@air.org) with any questions.



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## Let's work together

We are committed to working closely with other technical assistance providers to extend our impact.

Our efforts are informed by:

- **State, regional, and national needs and contexts**, prioritized based on feedback from the field and any gaps in support or resources.
- **Evidence-based practices and policy** that provide support to States and districts in high-priority areas.
- **Ongoing communication with other national networks and centers**, to provide effective and coordinated support and resources.

**The State Support Network will work with other technical assistance providers to combine efforts to meet our shared goals, maximize collective impact, and increase student success.**