

Welcome!

Minnesota's Supporting Youth Success Initiative

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**Youth Community
Connections**
Minnesota's Statewide
Afterschool Alliance

Supporting Youth Success:

The Promise of Expanded Learning Opportunities

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A New Day for Learning

Suggests a paradigm shift ...

learning happens every where, all the time, in any place

Elements of a New Learning System

1. Expand the definition of student success
2. Use research-based knowledge about how young people learn best
3. Foster collaboration across all sectors
4. Integrate various learning approaches and places
5. Provide new opportunities for leadership and professional development

Where we've been

- Sought agreement on vision, goal, outcome and operating assumptions of initiative
- Gathered input on policies, resources and best practices for framework
- Sought input and advice from Minnesota's youth what they needed to learn and where learning was happening
- Developed a logic model for the framework
- Developed recommendations and strategies based on the feedback of the leadership and advisory committees
- Prepared a draft framework for your review

Where we're going

Overview of the Day

- Review key sections of the framework
 - Language of Success: Formal & non-formal learning
 - Outcomes
 - Recommendations and strategies
- Review and discuss key messages on the message map
- Discuss strategies for outreach & implementation
- Celebration lunch

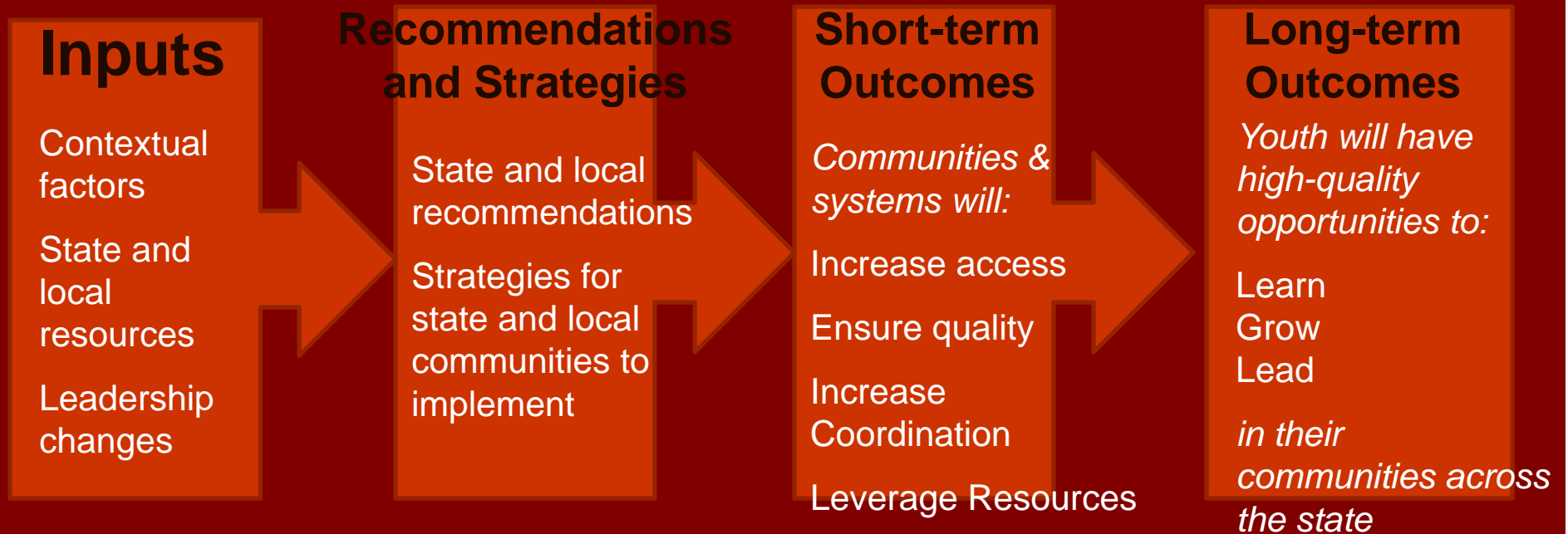
Commit to...

- Finding creative and innovative possibilities
- Building our collective power. Finding ways to address challenges, not be stopped by them.
- Be forward thinking and building for the future

The Logic Behind the SYS Framework

Vision: Minnesota's youth thrive because they are engaged in opportunities to learn, grow, and lead in their communities, schools and families.

Goal: All communities across the state will create, coordinate and support comprehensive learning systems. This coordinated system will provide access to a broad array of high-quality learning opportunities through formal and non-formal education.



The SYS Framework

- Executive summary (2 pages only)
- Background – pg 3
- **Language of Success – pg 4**
- Methodology – pg 6
- Vision and Overarching Goal – pg 9
- **Outcomes – pg 10**
- **Recommendations & strategies – pg 13**
- Conclusion – pg 17

Language of Success

- Share our definition of success
 - Formal
 - Non-formal
 - Informal
- Identify how learning in the community supports developmental needs of young people and contributes toward their success
- Call for system alignment

Outcomes

- Youth
 - Learn
 - Grow
 - Lead
- Community & Systems
 - Increase access
 - Ensure quality
 - Increase Coordination
 - Leverage Resources



Recommendations & Strategies

- Each community will use this plan to broaden the definition of success for youth to ensure young people have opportunities to learn, grow and lead through formal and non-formal education.
 - Connects to Outcomes & Strategies to Increase Access

Recommendations & Strategies

- Each community will create a learning agenda and adopt a plan that addresses youth outcomes and provides a clear set of indicators which will be used to measure success for young people and articulate how the community will work collectively to respond to the needs of young people.
 - Connects to Outcomes & Strategies to Ensure Quality

Recommendations & Strategies

- Identify strategies for creating policies that provide incentives to collaborate in order to do what is best for the youth they serve.
 - Connects to Outcomes & Strategies to Improve Coordination and Align/Leverage Resources

Feedback on Framework

- Small group discussions
 - See questions on handout
 - 30 minutes
- Large group discussion

Break

Key Messages

- To best support the development of young people in MN, we must create **comprehensive learning systems** that include formal and non-formal learning opportunities.
- The framework outlines **recommendations** on how to best shape comprehensive learning systems to encompass formal and non-formal learning opportunities.

Key Messages

- The framework provides specific **strategies** that state and local leaders can take to develop comprehensive learning systems.

Supporting Messages

- Broadening the Definition
- Developing a Plan
- Aligning the System

Testing Key Messages

- Small group discussions
 - Please meet in affinity groups
 - Refer to handout for key questions
 - 30 minutes for discussion
- Large group report out & discussion

Commit to Action

- YCC's Commitment to Action
- Leadership Team Members Commitment to Action
- Others?

Large Group Discussion: Implementation

- How can you see yourself/agency implementing this framework and/or advocating for its recommendations?
- How can we help communities use this information?
- What resources and tools are needed to implement the recommendations of the framework?

Next Steps

- Incorporate your feedback as we prepare the final framework
- Provide you a copy of the framework upon completion
- Seek your assistance in promoting the framework
- Keep you informed of our progress

Thanks and Safe Travels!