

New Jersey Department of Education



The Road Forward: Outreach and Engagement

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Please note that this presentation has been modified from its original version to be more accessible.

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Mission

The New Jersey Department of Education will advance *The Road Forward* initiative through a multipronged approach resulting in a compendium of resources for Local Education Agencies (LEAs) to use for the 2021-2022 school year.



Purpose

- Collaborate with stakeholders to enhance our responsiveness to LEAs' needs as they navigate reopening for the 2021-2022 school year.
- Four themes guide the engagement strategy:
 - operations,
 - insecurities,
 - learning acceleration, and
 - financial considerations.
- The result will be a LEA Reopening Self Assessment Checklist for 2021-2022 school year.



Guiding Questions

- What social-emotional and other non-academic supports do our students need to succeed during 2021-2022 school year?
- What academic supports do our students need to succeed during the 2021-2022 school year?
- What can the NJDOE do to support educators and LEAs during the 2021-2022 school year?



Participant Overview

- 130 individuals participated in working groups.
- 16 associations represented in working groups.
- 16 individual themed sessions conducted.
- Participants self-selected into the four themes:
 - Session 1 identified priorities by theme.
 - Session 2 focused on the development of the LEA Reopening Checklist.



Timeline



Date	Activity
April 28, 2021-May 8, 2021	Analyze feedback from working groups.
May 10, 2021-May 14, 2021	Stakeholders will review draft checklist.
May 17, 2021-May 21, 2021	Outreach and engagement continues and expands.
May 31, 2021	Target release date of LEA 2021-2022 Reopening Checklist.



Questions



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