

SERVICES FOR PUBLIC AND CHARTER SCHOOLS

In a shifting landscape of educational accountability, NPO Solutions provides more than two decades of experience working in K-16 education on issues of assessment, evaluation, and outcomes-based instruction. We work with public schools – traditional and charter – to ensure that public education is student-centered, standards-aligned, and accountable for results.

Our model of educational consulting is based on Michael Fullan’s “right drivers” of sustainable school improvement: Pedagogy, Capacity Building, Collective Impact, and System Coherence. In addition, our professional development and coaching services draw on Richard DuFour’s core tenets of Professional Learning Communities (PLCs) for teaching and learning that is: Student Centered, Deliberatively Collaborative, and Outcomes Focused.

NPO Solutions’ strategic planning expertise gives us unique insight into aligning school and district mission with realistic goals and measurable objectives for improving student achievement. Whether you are preparing for charter renewal, or interested in making sure that your LCAP is coherent and aligned to research-based practices, NPO Solutions will develop effective, focused approaches to standards-based and data-informed improvement. We understand that public educators work in an environment that is complex and dynamic, with both external demands for accountability and internal issues of capacity and commitment.

NPO Solutions supports:

Accountability, Assessment & Data

- School and district needs assessment and instructional audits
- Local Control Accountability Plans (LCAP) and accreditation (WASC)
- Charter School Petitions (Development and Renewal)
- Data Driven Instruction for school leaders
- Program evaluation and data teams (participatory action research)

Professional Development

- Assessment FOR Learning (Common Formative Assessments and Rubrics)
- Transition to the Common Core and Next Generation Science Standards
- Standards-aligned curricular maps and instructional planning
- Building College and Career Readiness
- Calibrated examination of Student Work
- Targeted academic support (Response to Intervention)

Benefits of Evaluation

- Develops systems to help your school or district set, achieve, and measure goals and activities.
- Provides fresh insight and relevant data on strengths and weaknesses
- Prioritizes and aligns instruction, assessment, and professional development to student needs, standards and accountability metrics
- Strategically allocates and prioritizes staff and fiscal resources based on outcomes
- Builds a culture of collaboration and data-informed reflection
- Results in ongoing monitoring and support for continuous improvement
- Showcases your school’s or district’s credibility and local capacity for research-based improvement