



NEW SCHOOL



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What is a New School Action?

New Schools allow districts to **design a new learning environment that best fits student, family and community needs**. New schools are given support to make design and implementation decisions that might differ from standard district practices.

New Building

Open a newly designed school in a building that was not used for that school or any version of that school in the past

Phase-In/Phase-Out

Slowly close a struggling school in a building with capacity and replace it with a new district-managed school

Co-locate

Slowly grow a new school in a shared space with an existing school while gradually reducing the size of the existing school

Right-size

Close multiple low-enrolment/underperforming campuses and open a single new school

Consider a New School If:

- A new, high-quality option is needed for Title I Students
- Families are looking for different types of schools
- A new building will be ready to open in 1-2 years, or
- The district is willing to phase in a new school one grade level at a time.

Why Create a New School?

- Increase enrollment by attracting families to a new, high-performing model.
- Introduce new options to meet the needs of specific student groups with diverse school models.
- Attract and retain leaders and teachers with the flexibility and autonomy to innovate while meeting performance goals.



NEXT STEPS

1. Review student data, and complete the [SAF Self-Assessment](#)
2. Learn more about this Action by reviewing resources: www.centerforschoolactions.org
3. Bring findings and key takeaways to appropriate stakeholders/decision-makers