

Budget Prioritization Process

- Review Student Achievement Data
- Identify gap between District goal and District current condition
- Analyze root cause of gaps
- Identify researched based methods or “guiding practices” to close gaps
 - Utilize theory of action to develop guiding practices
 - Develop high quality teaching staff
 - Create time for collaboration
 - Use common curriculum and instruction
 - Be strategic and intentional with core classes
 - Use Interventions for struggling students
- Narrow options to consider
 - Provide concrete analysis of consequences of choices
 - Potential impact on student learning
 - Describe findings from root cause analysis
 - How supports theory of action
 - Strength of external research
 - Experience in the district
 - Long term affordability
 - Consider escalation in costs over time
 - Feasibility of implementation
 - Is there the technical capacity to carry out practice?
 - How much staff time and effort to implement?
 - What degree of change from current way of doing things?
 - Stakeholder support
 - Will the District’s stakeholder groups support the option?
 - Rate options - Fist to Five

Criteria	Practice “A”	Practice “B”	Practice “C”
Potential impact on student learning			
Feasibility of implementation			
Long-term affordability			
Level of stakeholder support			