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2023-24 Cluster Advisory Team Meeting #1

October 5, 2023 | 5:30 pm

Executive Sponsor:

Travis Norvell, Chief Strategy + Engagement Officer

Business Owner:

Carolyn M. Barnett, Executive Director – Strategy + School Governance

Program Lead:

Sheletha Y. Champion, Program Director - Strategy Management

AGENDA

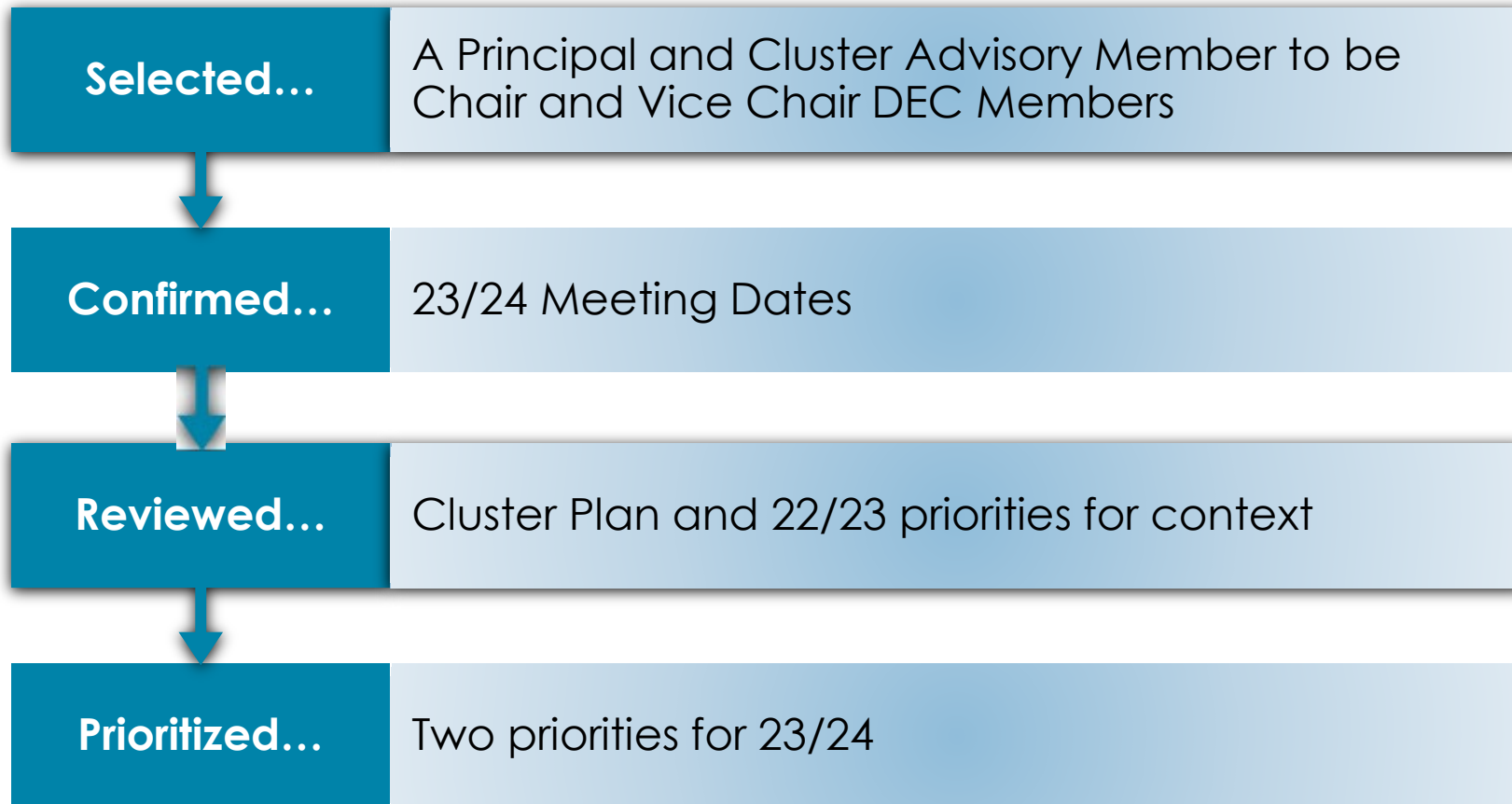
Time	Discussion Item	Discussion Leads
5:00	Opening Welcome Introductions CAT Organization Check-In	Sheletha
DISCUSSION		
5:10 pm	Cluster School Updates	Principals or Cluster Representatives
5:25 pm	Cluster Planning	Chair/Vice-Chair
5:55 pm	District Announcements <ul style="list-style-type: none">• District Calendar• APS Connects Wrap-Up Next Steps	Sheletha
6:00 pm	Adjourn	Sheletha

INTRODUCTIONS

School	Principal (or Designee)	Cluster Representative
Cleveland Avenue	Dr. Enrique Ralls	Jela'ni Dais
Dobbs	Tiffany Ragin	Ericka Hopkins
Heritage Academy	Trennis Harvey	Jessica Pope
Humphries	Jaron Trimble	
Hutchinson	Melissa St. Joy	
Long	Carla McCall-McCou	Kenya Boston
South Atlanta	Dr. Patricia Ford	



CHECK-IN: CAT ORGANIZATION



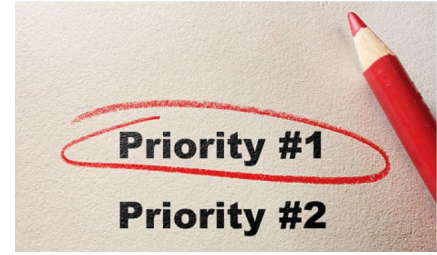
Check-In

CLUSTER | SCHOOL UPDATES

- Provide School Highlights
- Provide Signature Program Updates
- Discuss any school or cluster needs
- Discuss Cross-Cluster Collaboration Interests



CLUSTER PLANNING



For the 2023-2024 Priorities, the South Atlanta Cluster Advisory Team will...

1. Develop/confirm action steps
2. Determine benchmarks for each step

CLUSTER PLANNING SITES

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APS Links

Strategy and Engag...

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Microsoft Forms

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Questions? Contact

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MISSION

The mission of the South Atlanta Cluster is to cultivate a universal culture of excellence through collaboration, academic achievement, personal responsibility, respect and commitment to service.

VISION

The South Atlanta Cluster vision is to be a high performing cluster where every student graduates with college and career readiness.

CLUSTER ADVISORY TEAM MEETINGS

October 5, 2023 (5:30pm)
Location: [Microsoft Teams Meeting Agenda](#)

November 9, 2023 (5:30pm)
Location: [Microsoft Teams](#)
March 19, 2024 (5:30pm)
Location: [Microsoft Teams](#)

MINUTES & MATERIALS

[South Atlanta Cluster Overview](#)



Public Facing Cluster Planning Webpage

<https://www.atlantapublicschools.us/Page/62836>



CAT Collaboration Spaces:
Teams Site + SharePoint

<https://apsstudents.sharepoint.com/teams/SouthAtlantaClusterAdvisoryTeam>



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09.18.23_SATlantaCAT_BreakoutSession	September 21	Champion, Sheletha Y	
Meeting#1_SATlanta_CAT_10.05.23	3 minutes ago	Champion, Sheletha Y	
Meeting#2_SATlanta_CAT_11.09.23	About a minute ago	Champion, Sheletha Y	
Meeting#3_SATlanta_CAT_03.19.24	About a minute ago	Champion, Sheletha Y	
2023-2024 All CAT Meeting-20230918_170...	September 21	Champion, Sheletha Y	
2023-24_SouthAtlanta_CAT_Roster.xlsx	4 hours ago	Champion, Sheletha Y	

DISTRICT ANNOUNCEMENTS

October 2023 District Calendar At-A-Glance

DATE	TIME	EVENT
Saturday, October 7 th	12:00pm – 1:00pm	Student Bill of Rights Community Meeting
Tuesday, October 24 th	5:30pm – 6:30pm	Parent Listening Sessions (Special Education)
Wednesday, October 25 th	7:30pm – 8:30pm	Parent (Spanish Speaking) Listening Sessions (Special Education)
Thursday, October 26 th	5:30pm – 6:30pm	Parent C.A.F.E (Parents of Students with Disabilities)
Tuesday, November 7 th		Election – Virtual Learning Day
Saturday, November 18 th	9:00 am – 2:00 pm	Family Engagement Conference @ TAG Academy

Visit the [District Calendar](#) for full details and registration information.

APS Connects

Visit <https://www.atlantapublicschools.us/APSConnects> for ways to connect and engage with APS.

NEXT STEPS

Second CAT Meeting | November 9, 2023

- School Updates
- Cluster Priorities Updates
- Cluster Priority Budget Conversations

District Executive Committee | January 18, 2024

Third CAT Meeting | March 19, 2024

- School Updates
- Cluster Priorities Updates
- SY24/25 Cluster Priority Discussion



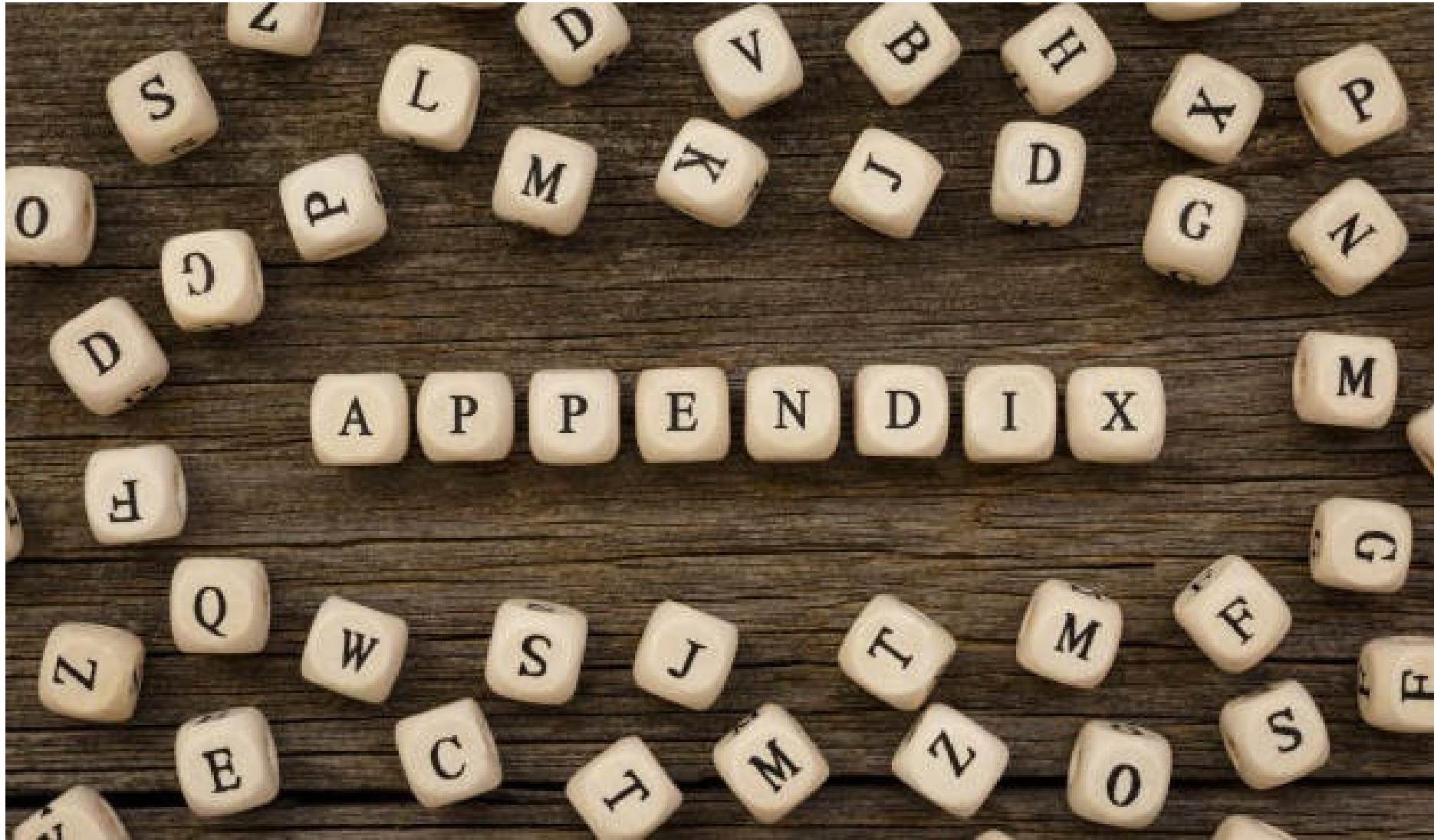
QUESTIONS



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APPENDIX



SCHOOL GOVERNANCE OVERVIEW

BEGINNING WITH THE END IN MIND

Our Mission

Through a caring **culture of equity**, trust, and collaboration, **every** student will graduate ready for college, career, and life.

Our Vision

A high-performing school district where students love to learn, educators inspire, families engage, and the community trusts the system.



SCHOOL GOVERNANCE OVERVIEW

Our Theory of Change



Students

that support excellence for all, SO THAT ALL students learn at a higher level.

Educators
Classrooms

who create engaging, equitable, and inclusive schools

School Leaders
Schools

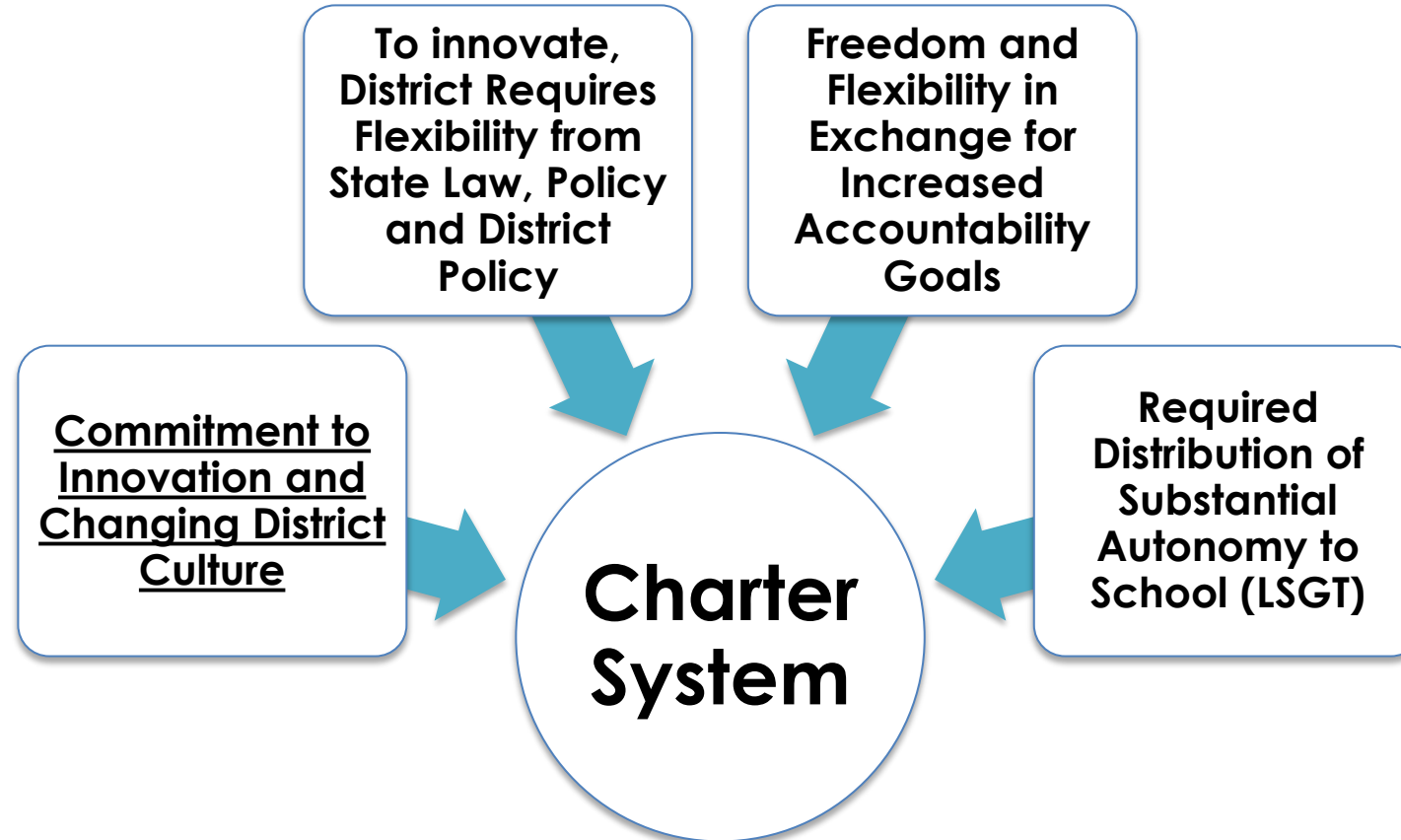
THEN school leaders will be able to develop, support, and grow highly-skilled educators

Staff
Central Office

IF the central office maintains an intentional focus on teaching, learning, and performance and provides high-quality service and support to schools

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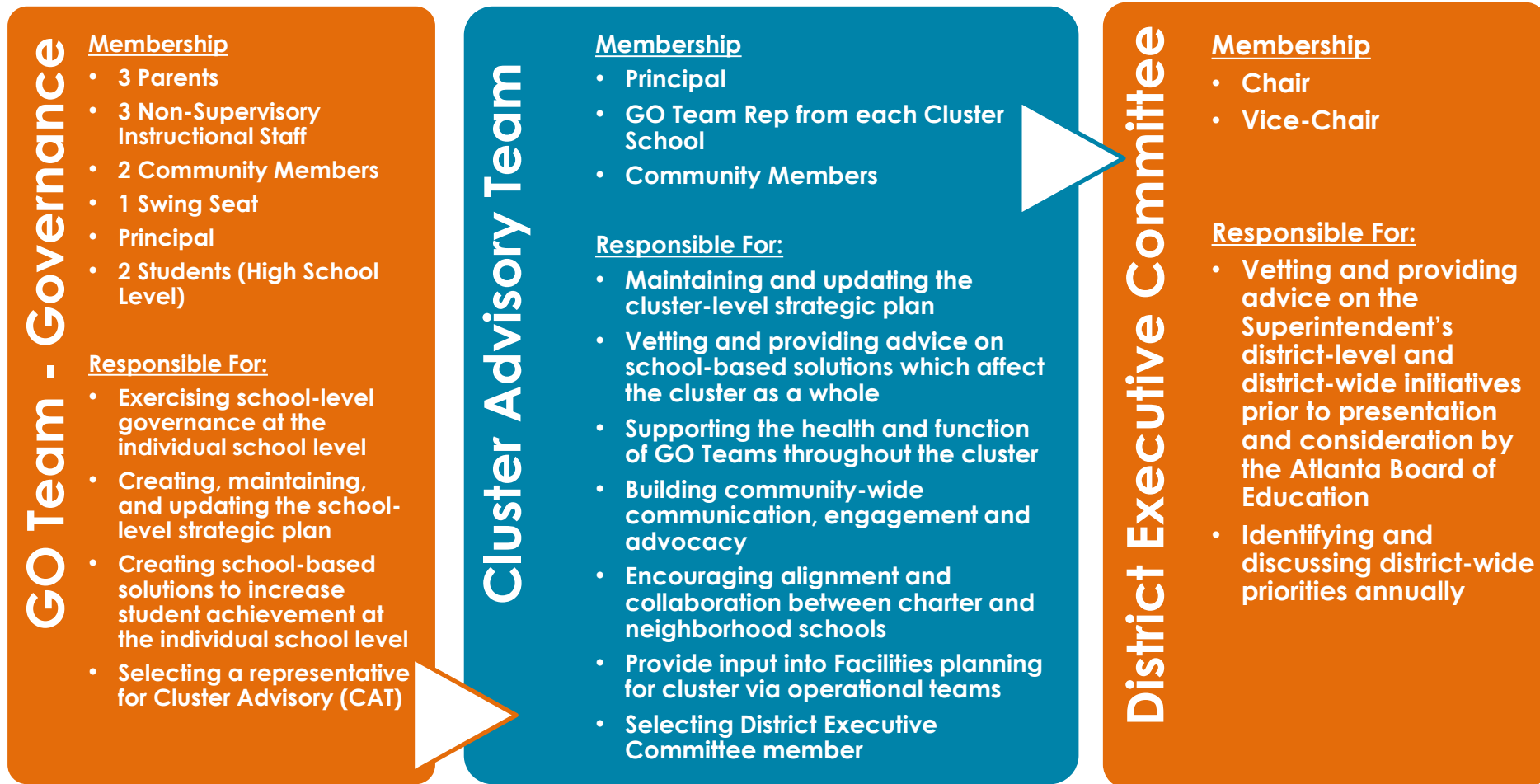
Charter System Operating Model – Basic Components



The Charter System Philosophy: A district must want to truly change how it does business and believe that, in order to increase student achievement, **schools must be operated in a different way, with greater parent and community buy-in at every single school**. Schools are empowered to develop solutions free from the established educational bureaucracy of legislature-driven education mandates, State Board rules, and even the district's own policies and practices. With this freedom from the law, the district and its schools in turn agree to be held accountable for significant increases in student achievement.

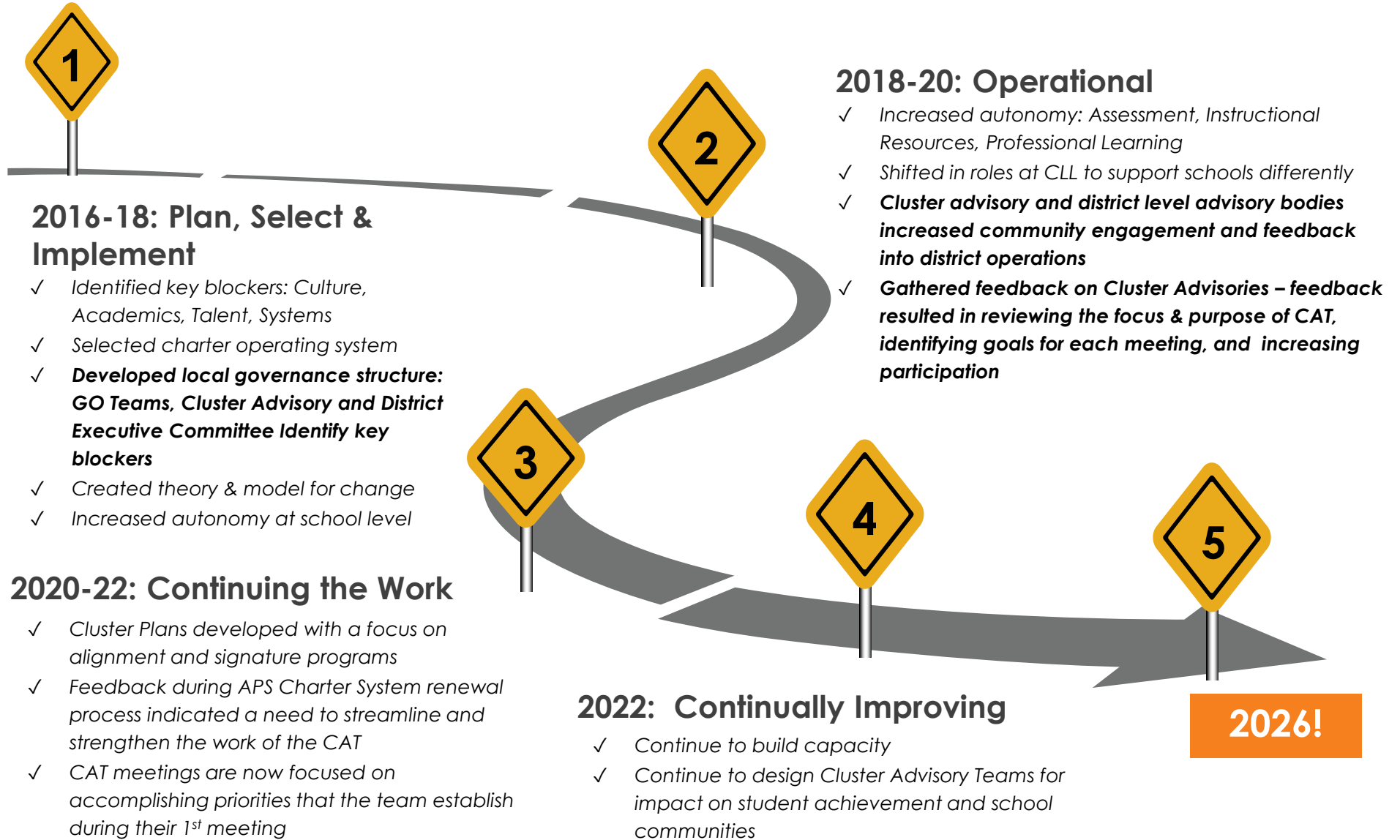
SCHOOL GOVERNANCE OVERVIEW

Governance: APS Local School Governance Structure



SCHOOL GOVERNANCE OVERVIEW

Road Map for Charter System Operating Model & Governance



LOOKING FORWARD

WHAT WE HEARD...



CROSS CLUSTER COLLABORATION MEANINGFUL MEETINGS PUBLIC AWARENESS