



School Innovation Collaborative

The collaborative's mission is to **develop, empower and support great school leaders** to design and lead partner networks resulting in more great Texas schools.



School Innovation Collaborative - Strategic Support & Collaboration

Empower Great Leaders & Campus Staff

Share best practices across the network

Provide campuses with additional resources

Things to Know

Our approach is grounded in the following beliefs...

- Great school leaders and campus teams make great schools.
- School teams need customized support to develop and implement school plans that best meet the needs of their students and school communities.
- In exchange for flexibility to make school-level decisions, the collaborative must commit to achieving ambitious goals.
- San Antonio students and educators deserve the additional flexibility, resources and support the partnership funding can provide.

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Common Questions

Question: What is the purpose of the collaborative?

Answer: The collaborative creates a formal structure that enables network leaders more freedom to make decisions at the school-level about things like curriculum, assessments, school schedule, and new staff positions. These decisions must align to the charter developed in collaboration with the school staff and you - the community. It will also allow for networks schools to create a learning community to share best practices.

Question: Who is leading the collaborative?

Anwer: Doug Dawson is the Executive Director of the collaborative. He brings years of experience supporting educators and creating options for students and families. His contact information can be found below. The amazing Brian Sparks is still the network principal and responsible for all things happening at Lamar!

Question: Are we still part of the San Antonio Independent School District?

Answer: Yes! We are proud to be part of San Antonio Independent School District, and this does not change that! Your children will still be district students, our staff will still be district employees, and we will continue to partner with the district for important programs.

Question: What will change about my child's day-to-day experience?

Answer: Your child will still receive the same stellar Lamar Elementary education with the same types of programs, leaders, and teachers that make Lamar great today. Your child will likely see new resources aligned to the charter developed by the staff and community.

Question: What if I have more questions about the collaborative?

Answer: Please do not hesitate to reach out. You can always direct questions to one of the amazing network leaders or associate principals. Or, you can contact Doug Dawson with the collaborative directly.

Other Questions? Contact:

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