GETTING THE DIAGNOSIS RIGHT: SETTING SCHOOLS UP FOR SUCCESS

STRATEGIC SUPPORTS
TDS can provide strategic supports to states or districts and can partner with schools to facilitate in-depth needs assessments.

NEEDS ASSESSMENT
The process through which student and school data is connected to the right evidence based interventions that simultaneously grow the capacity of a school and address urgent student needs.

DATA DRIVEN
States have data & information they can look at now to develop supports for middle and high schools.

WHICH STUDENTS ARE CHRONICALLY ABSENT

WHAT IS THE PROFILE OF STUDENTS ENTERING GRADES 6 & 9

OF CREDITS EARNED
by each student annually to keep on track for graduation

ESSA
Requires Needs Assessments for all school identified for comprehensive support.

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REFORM SOLUTION DOES NOT FIT ALL
Unlike NCLB and SIG, this is the chance to do things differently. States and districts can use the needs assessment as an opportunity to identify what things are working in a school and build on those assets, leading to an individualized plan for improvement, for every school.

MIDDLE & HIGH SCHOOLS ARE DIFFERENT & NEED SPECIFIC EXPERTISE
We know this from over 20 years of work with secondary schools around the nation.
TALENT DEVELOPMENT SECONDARY

is a national school partner and a leader in secondary school reform, housed at the Johns Hopkins University School of Education. Our mission is to provide evidence-based models, tools and supports to the most challenged secondary schools serving our most vulnerable students across the country.

FOCUS ON IMPLEMENTATION

Needs Assessment used to create school improvement plans with expert JHU TDS facilitation, coaching schools to use evidence-based approaches linked with student performance gains and increases in high school graduation rates.

ALIGNMENT

Recommendations on alignment to ESSA evidence standards.

CUSTOMIZABLE

Plans and partnerships that include LEA/SEA frameworks or indicators is encouraged.

OVER 2 DECADES OF SUCCESS

20+ years of experience in Secondary School Reform and a national network of schools. Any school can join the TDS network, which spans the continuum of school reform and support needs.

INTERNATIONAL RECOGNITION

Johns Hopkins University is an internationally known, successful research center.

RESEARCH-BASED

Needs Assessment includes analysis of Early Warning Indicators data as developed by Dr. Robert Balfanz and predictive of high school graduation and postsecondary success.