

The purpose of the SLO Tool for School Leaders is to provide principals and their evaluators a way to systematically and consistently interpret the actions principals take as they relate to the SLO process. This tool provides a focused SLO lens for the various ISLLC connection points and links to principal performance rubrics.

| <b>Preparation</b><br><i>(Typically June-September)</i> |                                   |   |
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| ISLLC Standard & Function                               | Topic(s)                          | Principal Actions   |
| 1c, 2e, 3c, 5a  | Establishing Effective Structures | Establishes thoroughly and explicitly the following specific SLO structures which streamline SLO processes for teachers: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Initial training</li> <li>▪ Submissions</li> <li>▪ Administrative reviews and conferences</li> <li>▪ Modifications</li> <li>▪ Approvals</li> <li>▪ Completion and results analysis</li> <li>▪ Communication and updates</li> <li>▪ Progress monitoring</li> <li>▪ Ongoing support</li> </ul>  |
| 1c, 2g, 5a  | Scheduling Strategically          | Develops the master schedule: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Considers SLO implications when developing the master schedule</li> </ul>  |
| 1a, 2b, 2c, 5e  | Alignment and Tone-Setting        | Reflects and collaboratively makes plans for the teachers' SLOs specifying the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Alignment of school goals to district priorities and goals</li> <li>▪ Alignment across school vision, mission, and beliefs</li> <li>▪ High expectations for teachers and students</li> <li>▪ Percent of students to achieve targets</li> </ul>   |
| 2a, 2f, 3d, 5a  | Training of Staff                 | Trains staff in the State-, district-, and school-established SLO processes ensuring the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ All affected teachers are trained</li> <li>▪ District decisions are conveyed</li> <li>▪ Tone is supportive</li> <li>▪ Content delivered is accurate</li> <li>▪ Understanding of participants is strong</li> <li>▪ School-specific structures are communicated</li> <li>▪ Expectations are set for high quality SLOs</li> <li>▪ Communication is clear</li> <li>▪ Next steps are clear</li> <li>▪ Support needs assessed</li> <li>▪ Questions are answered or directed to district</li> </ul> |

| <b>Development</b><br><i>(Typically September-October)</i> |                            |   |
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| ISLLC Standard & Function                                  | Topic(s)                   | Principal Actions   |
| 1c, 2a, 2f, 3b, 3e, 5a, 5b, 5c, 6a                         | Using Effective Structures | The following is evident for SLO submission: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Provides clarity for due dates and location of resources</li> <li>▪ Enforces due dates</li> </ul>   |
|  |                            | The following is evident for SLO reviews: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Responds in a timely manner</li> <li>▪ Evaluates critical content</li> <li>▪ Involves lead teachers and other administrators with consistent reviews</li> <li>▪ Provides appropriately informative responses</li> </ul>  |
|  |                            | The following is evident for SLO conferences: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ High expectations</li> <li>▪ Clarity in format and purpose</li> <li>▪ Safe HR climate</li> <li>▪ Transparent reflection</li> <li>▪ Use of SLOs as entry points for improving practice</li> </ul>   |
| 1c, 2a, 2f, 3b, 3e, 5a, 5b, 5c, 6a                         | Using Effective Structures | The following is evident for SLO modifications: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Process for making SLOs is clear</li> <li>▪ Process for resubmitting SLOs is clear</li> <li>▪ Rationale for requesting changes is strong and clear</li> </ul>  |
|  |                            | The following is evident for SLO approvals: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Approvals are timely</li> <li>▪ Notification is clear when approved (who, when)</li> </ul>   |
|  |                            | The following is evident from SLO planning documents: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Structures are appropriately flexible and adaptable</li> </ul>   |
| 1a, 2b, 2c, 5e   | Teacher Goal-Setting       | Ensures SLO elements and goals are developed by teachers and reflect the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Attainability</li> <li>▪ Alignment to district and school goals</li> <li>▪ Data-informed rationale</li> <li>▪ High expectations</li> </ul>   |
| 1d, 2f, 2h, 3b, 3d, 4b, 5a, 5c                             | Building Capacity          | Maximizes time and builds capacity through the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Enlisting lead teachers/ administrators in SLO processing while involving himself/herself as well</li> <li>▪ Analyzing data for SLOs to determine teacher and student needs</li> <li>▪ Providing professional development to assist in SLO preparation</li> <li>▪ Organizing needed support for SLO development</li> </ul> |
| 1b, 1d, 1e, 3a, 3e, 4a, 5b, 6a, 6b, 6c                     | Promoting Systems Change   | Promotes continuous improvement through the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Using and encouraging empirical and perceptual data to inform practice</li> <li>▪ Contributing relevant suggestions at appropriate opportunities</li> <li>▪ Requiring all teachers, regardless of effectiveness, to improve practice</li> </ul>   |

| <b>Implementation</b><br><i>(Typically October-May)</i> |                                      |   |
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| ISLLC Standard & Function                               | Topic(s)                             | Principal Actions   |
| 1d, 2f, 2h, 2i, 3b, 3d, 4b, 5a, 5c                      | Building Capacity                    | <p>Maximizes time and builds capacity through the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Enlisting lead teachers/administrators in SLO monitoring</li> <li>▪ Analyzing data to determine teacher and student needs as SLOs progress</li> <li>▪ Providing professional development support for teachers as needed in the SLO progress</li> <li>▪ Organizing needed support for teachers in the SLO process</li> </ul>   |
| 1b, 1d, 1e, 3a, 3e, 4a, 5b, 6a, 6b, 6c                  | Promoting Systems Change             | <p>Promotes continuous improvement through the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Providing building-level SLO processing suggestions to district decision makers to help refine the process</li> </ul>  |
| 1c, 1d, 2a, 2b, 2c, 2d, 2f, 2g, 2h, 2i, 3e, 4a, 4d, 6c  | Monitoring and Improving Instruction | <p>Monitors and improves instruction by doing the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Allocating resources strategically</li> <li>▪ Assessing teachers and students formatively to ensure learning is occurring</li> <li>▪ Asking questions about teacher and student progress</li> <li>▪ Coaching teachers instructionally</li> <li>▪ Reflecting on depth and breadth of instruction in relation to the SLO learning content</li> <li>▪ Enlisting community partners</li> </ul>    |
| 2a, 2c, 4b, 4c, 5c, 6a                                  | Communicating                        | <p>Maintains ongoing communication about SLOs which includes the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Focus on student progress toward SLO goals</li> <li>▪ Regular updates/meetings about SLO progress</li> <li>▪ Transparent reflection on SLO progress</li> <li>▪ High expectations for student targets</li> <li>▪ Celebration of learning</li> <li>▪ Probing for challenges to meet SLO goals</li> <li>▪ Strategies to streamline efforts to assist in SLO completion</li> </ul> |
| 2a, 3e, 5b, 5c, 5e, 6c                                  | Conferencing with Teachers           | <p>Holds both mid-year and ongoing conversations which include the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Clarity in format and purpose</li> <li>▪ Fair and consistent judgment</li> <li>▪ High expectations</li> <li>▪ Safe climate</li> <li>▪ Use of SLOs as entry points for improving practice</li> </ul>  |
| 1a, 1b, 1c, 1d, 1e, 2g, 2i, 3a, 3c, 3d, 3e              | Integrating SLO Efforts              | <p>Establishes SLO discussions seamlessly in the academic context during the following events:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Faculty meetings</li> <li>▪ Department/team meetings</li> <li>▪ Classroom observations</li> </ul>   |

| <b>Results Analysis</b><br><i>(Typically May-June)</i> |  |  |
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| ISLLC Standard & Function                              | Topic(s)                                       | Principal Actions  |
| 1e, 2f, 2i, 3d, 3e, 4a, 5a, 5b, 6b, 6c                 | Promoting Systems Change and Building Capacity | Promotes effective change and capacity through the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Contributes relevant suggestions at appropriate opportunities</li> <li>▪ Collects and uses SLO outcome data to inform next year's SLOs</li> <li>▪ Reflects on impact of process for reform (including structures)</li> <li>▪ Uses data to inform broader instructional decisions</li> </ul> |
| 1e, 2a, 2c, 4b, 5b, 5c, 5d, 6b                         | Communicating                                  | Conveys overall judgment of school implementation to supervisor and staff which reflects the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Forward-looking reflection</li> <li>▪ Data-informed judgments</li> <li>▪ Staff collaboration</li> </ul>   |
| 4c   | Communicating with Students and Families       | Plans communication with families: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Ensures families are aware of how students performed in relation to their SLO targets</li> </ul>   |
| 2a, 3e, 5b, 5c, 5e, 6c                                 | Conferencing with Teachers                     | Holds summative conversations with teachers which include SLO results which reflect the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Open dialogue about outcomes</li> <li>▪ Fair judgments of SLO goals</li> <li>▪ Reflection modeling for learning about SLO outcomes</li> <li>▪ Coaching for next SLO cycle</li> </ul>   |
| 1b, 1c, 3d, 5a, 5d, 6c                                 | Ensuring Thorough and Effective Completion     | Ensures teachers complete the process as evidenced by the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ All teachers complete required SLO tasks</li> <li>▪ Principal-Teacher conferencing has occurred</li> <li>▪ Lead teachers/Administrators are involved in summative conferences</li> <li>▪ All needed data is collected by teacher, team, and the school</li> </ul>                    |