

THE DESIRED STATE



“All students, and especially those who are at greater risk of not making expected progress, must be targeted for proactive supports that address their equity needs and build their capacity to learn at a distance.”

-The Distance Learning Playbook by Douglas Fisher, Nancy Frey & John Hattie (pg.7)

As schools continue to provide the general education curriculum via multiple environments this school year, each district must ensure that every student has equal access to the same opportunities. Our network continues to field questions and concerns around equity, data and barriers for diverse learners in our state. This newsletter is focused on rooting educators back to the [:Navigating Change: Kansas Guide to Learning and School Safety Operations](#) guidance document in which equity and access is addressed by KSDE specifically:

- Establish a plan and schedule time to reflect on whether the education and services being provided are effective for diverse learners.
- Work and study collaboratively within the building/district to understand inequity by design and its impact on student instruction.
- Across all learning environments, ensure educators are focused on building and maintaining relationships with students.
- Maintain equitable access to your school’s offered programs and practices.
- Demonstrate inclusive teaching and learning.
- Encourage self-reflection and exploration.
- Have meaningful interaction and dialogue.
- Encourage Community involvement and service.

By clicking on the Navigating Change link above, you can go directly into the document and read more about in-depth ways your system can utilize Equity as the first lens in decision-making and school improvement efforts.

New Resource Alert! *We recognize the Building Leadership Team (BLT) is the driving force behind school improvement efforts because it has the most direct contact with educators using effective innovations. This resource can be used as teams navigate building wide improvement and sustainability of the system.*

Click here to download the resource:

[Building Leadership Team: Considerations for Establishing or Refining](#)