EQUITY JOURNEY CONTINUUM How to Craft Your Equity Journey Narrative



The Equity Journey Continuum is an informational tool to help districts view their data through the lens of equity. The tool analyzes 25 district-specific data metrics to help districts identify gaps in students' access to opportunities, resources, and supports. While school districts will have access to all their underlying data metrics, the Illinois Report Card will display only the district's step along the continuum – from Step 1 (large gaps) to Step 4 (minimal gaps) – in three areas: Student Learning, Learning Conditions, and Elevating Educators.

School districts will soon be able to review their data in the Data Review and Verification Tool. Every district will have the opportunity to include a narrative of its journey on the Report Card that may include equity actions, policies, and practices that may not be apparent in the rubric.

The 2022 Equity Journey Continuum:

- Protects students' privacy by omitting data of student groups with fewer than 10 members.
- Uses school year 2018-19 data (school year 2020-21 data for site-based expenditures) due to the impact of the pandemic on school years 2019-20 and 2020-21.

OUESTIONS TO CONSIDER AS YOU REVIEW YOUR DISTRICT'S CONTINUUM Where does the district What questions will Which data metrics students, parents, represent strengths and go from here and what staff and community which represent growth plans, programs, or stakeholders ask when opportunities? partnerships does the they see the district's district have in place to continuum? address gaps? What information not What has changed since How can parents and captured in the data the 2018-19 school year community stakeholders would provide a more and what steps has the get involved (for example,

district taken to increase

equity and close gaps?



by completing the annual

5Essentials Culture and Climate Survey)?

complete picture of the

district's equity efforts?