



NORTH DAKOTA DEPARTMENT OF  
**PUBLIC INSTRUCTION**



**UPDATES: STRATEGY MAPS & INSTITUTION DATA**

Below is an important update regarding strategy maps that may affect your school:

Continuous Improvement is an ongoing and living process. During the course of the year, schools are expected to review and update their strategic plans, which can impact their strategy maps displayed as public record on the Insights Dashboard. The dashboard will be updated in November with Strategy Maps revised through November 1. Districts and schools are highly encouraged to reconvene their school improvement teams, including external stakeholders, to review and update their strategic plans as appropriate.

As part of Cognia's partnership with the North Dakota Department of Public Instruction (NDDPI), we are working to align our institution data (institution name, state identifier, grade configuration, address, head of institution, etc.). At our request, Cognia has implemented changes to support the upcoming student Engagement Survey administration. The department previously supported some schools, in the Cognia database, as 'unit schools' – a consolidation of two or three smaller schools – this no longer is a feasible option due to the rostering of students for the survey. The Cognia database has now been updated to align with the data provided by NDDPI. Affected schools will notice these changes upon logging into the Cognia [MyJourney platform](#).

For the schools that created one strategy map for both the elementary and high school (under the Public School profile), the map has transferred to the elementary school. This means the high school profile is without a strategy map. Cognia is working on how to resolve this issue by copying the elementary map to the high school profile. This change affects approximately 133 schools across the state.

In the meantime, please log into your strategies account and review your strategic plans and strategy maps. Update any map that needs attention or make any improvements as necessary.

For questions or additional information regarding strategy maps and Cognia demographic updates, please contact [Joe Kolosky](#), Director, Office of School Approval & Accountability at (701) 328-2755.

For questions regarding Cognia MyJourney, contact the [Cognia Helpdesk](#) at 1-888-413-3669.

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