

IMPORTANT:

The Continuous Improvement Strategy Map deadline has been extended to June 1.

NDDPI/Cognia Strategy Map Trainings and COVID-19

In light of the Covid-19 developments in our nation, Cognia and NDDPI have created an alternative plan to assist school and system leaders in submitting their annual improvement plans to NDDPI by June 1. **A blended model of both live webinars and virtual coaching/work sessions are replacing the training sessions which were scheduled in March and April across the state.** Each scheduled virtual session will review the first three phases and introduce the fourth phase of Strategic Thinking and Planning using the strategies platform in myJourney. The infusion of special education unit goals will also be covered in our virtual sessions.

Virtual training will be offered beginning April 15 and will follow the format of a 90-minute live webinar. A Padlet with all resources will be available for registered participants during and after each session. Your Cognia team from Professional Learning; Amy McVey and Nicole Reeves will be available in virtual work sessions to support participants and answer follow up questions via scheduled “office hours” and email. Remember, all school leaders have received a video tutorial for setting up plans for the 2020-2021 school year in an email from NDDPI, as well. How-to videos for each phase are also available at the following links:

- [How to copy your plan](#)
- [Envisioning](#)
- [Planning](#)
- Implementing - Coming soon!

Currently registered participants from postponed sessions will soon receive new registration links for the April virtual sessions and a discount code to waive registration fees that have already been paid.

New registrants can register for any of the below sessions on the [event webpage](#).

- April 15 – 11:00-12:30 pm CST
- April 16 – 2:00-3:30 pm CST
- April 20 – 11:00-12:30 pm CST
- April 21 – 3:00-4:30 pm CST

Sessions will have limited space to assure that all participants are engaged and have access to support. Please register for your session as soon as possible.

NDDPI/Cognia Strategy Map Contingency Planning

The NDDPI knows districts and schools are in the midst of implementing their Distance Learning Plans due to the COVID-19 pandemic and school closures. If a district/school is struggling to update their Continuous Improvement Plan/Strategy Map because of logistical issues regarding their Distance Learning Plans, it is acceptable for schools to simply copy their current plan. However, each school must rename their new plan using the designated naming convention. See examples below:

- Kenmare Elementary School's Plan would be titled, "2020-2021 Kenmare Elementary School Continuous Improvement Plan."
- Mandan High School's Plan would be titled, "2020-2021 Mandan High School Continuous Improvement Plan."

If you have any questions contact [Joe Kolosky](#) at (701) 328-2755.

