



Benefits of AdvancED Accreditation for Educational Service Agencies

AdvancED ESA accreditation is a systems approach to embed and sustain improvement. The AdvancED Accreditation of ESAs is based on a national protocol designed to build the capacity of the agency, ensure that all people, processes, departments and operations work in concert, to strengthen efforts to provide accountability to clients, to encourage growth beyond compliance, and to promote continuous improvement and not episodic events.

AdvancED ESA Accreditation:

- Provides a research-based national protocol for education service providers committed to systemic, systematic, and sustainable continuous improvement
- Builds the capacity of the agency and its client districts to increase student learning
- Stimulates, supports and examines how all elements of a system work in harmony
- Ensures all people, processes, departments and operations of the agency work in concert (focused, aligned, connected)
- Strengthens efforts to provide accountability to clients
- Encourages growth beyond compliance to achieve excellence
- Promotes continuous, not episodic, improvement

Accreditation is designed to help educational institutions boost their ongoing performance efforts for the benefit of their students. AdvancED insists on a relentless pursuit of excellence – for itself and for the institutions it accredits. Accreditation matters because our students deserve the highest level of educational excellence possible.

Educational institutions that engage in AdvancED Accreditation will:

- Unite with a global network committed to standards of educational excellence.
- Earn the distinction of quality through the recognized seal of AdvancED accreditation.
- Experience a unified, clear, and powerful accreditation process with a scalable and sustainable evaluation of educational quality.
- Receive external and objective validation of the areas in which they're doing well, as well as the areas for continuous improvement.
- Benefit from AdvancED research that shapes educational policy and improves learning practices.
- Experience a state-of-the-art web-based accreditation system that is continuously upgraded and improved.
- Hear the best available ideas and thinking on educational practices and trends through innovative products, educational technologies, and the collective knowledge of peers.
- Benefit from shared expertise and powerful professional learning through local and global workshops, training, conferences, and personalized service.

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