

Ohio Mid-Eastern Regional Education Service Agency

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OME-RESA Continuous Improvement Plan (Draft)

Planning Period: 2025–2030

Purpose: To drive sustainable progress, service excellence, and strategic

growth to benefit our member districts.

1. Recruiting and Retention

Goals:

- Develop and maintain a positive organizational culture that values collaboration, innovation, and recognition.
- Strengthen recruitment efforts to attract diverse, skilled candidates aligned with our mission.
- Improve employee engagement and job satisfaction through regular feedback, professional growth opportunities, and competitive benefits.
- Build internal capacity by providing ongoing development, mentorship, and clear career pathways.
- Monitor and address factors affecting staff turnover and retention.

2. Improved Business Operations

Goals:

- · Identify and streamline internal processes to reduce redundancies and improve workflow.
- Expand the use of digital tools to support daily operations, recordkeeping, and communication.
- Improve internal coordination and cross-departmental collaboration.
- Strengthen data-informed decision making through better use of reporting and performance metrics.
- Ensure compliance with fiscal, legal, and organizational policies through regular review and staff training.
- Explore and integrate AI-driven tools to enhance operational decision-making, automate repetitive tasks, and improve service delivery efficiency.

3. Training Development

Goals:

- Expand professional development offerings to address evolving educational and technological needs.
- Establish consistent training cycles and delivery methods for staff and member support.
- Partner with experts and agencies to offer specialized, high-value learning opportunities.
- Continuously assess and improve training based on participant feedback and changing needs.
- Promote a culture of continuous learning and innovation within the organization.



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4. Service Development and Improvements

Goals:

- Align services with regional needs by working closely with school leaders to understand Appalachian districts' unique challenges, including access, equity, and funding limitations.
- Develop and deliver services that enhance student learning outcomes, such as instructional technology support, broadband expansion initiatives, and access to digital learning tools.
- Support district capacity-building by offering scalable, cost-effective services in areas such as student data, EMIS, fiscal operations, and cybersecurity, allowing districts to focus more resources on the classroom.
- Promote regional equity by prioritizing the needs of under-resourced schools and offering specialized assistance, grant collaboration, and pilot programs in high-need communities.
- Continuously evaluate and evolve services based on measurable impact to students and school performance, ensuring OME-RESA remains a trusted and innovative partner in regional education.
- Leverage emerging AI technologies to develop predictive analytics, automate support functions, and offer adaptive services tailored to member district needs.

5. Cybersecurity

Goals:

- Maintain and enhance a robust cybersecurity framework that follows state and federal best practices.
- Educate staff and member districts on cybersecurity awareness and responsibilities.
- Conduct regular assessments and testing to identify and mitigate vulnerabilities.
- Ensure timely response to incidents through clear protocols and a well-trained response team.
- Collaborate with external partners to stay informed of emerging threats and resources.