

# Data-driven Decision Making and Ongoing Improvement

## Promise Neighborhoods Application Requirement

*(citations refer to pages in the DOE application package)*

## How The Promise Scorecard Can Help

**Supporting efforts to improve child outcomes and ensure that data on those outcomes are communicated and analyzed on an ongoing basis by leaders and members of the community. (p4)**

*Promise Scorecard* provides community-wide access to data in order to communicate Child Outcomes and facilitate informed decision-making. The Scorecard sits on top of disparate data systems to provide a unified view of Promise Neighborhoods data.

**Plan, build, adapt or expand a comprehensive, longitudinal data management system for academic, family and community support indicators. (p7)**

*Promise Scorecard* translates longitudinal quantitative data into academic and community support indicators which are then are used to drive strategic decision making.

**Collect, analyze and use data for decision-making and ongoing improvement. (p11)**

*Promise Scorecard*, on an ongoing basis, imports key data from databases (ie case management systems, school data bases, individual program data bases, etc.) and focuses on only the data that is key for decision making. The “Turn the Curve” template associated with each piece of data allows stakeholders to systematically analyze the collected data and adapt action plans accordingly.

**Describe ... how the applicant will use rapid-time data both in the planning year and, once the Promise Neighborhood is implemented, for continuous program improvement. (p.10)**  
**Rapid-time**, in reference to reporting and availability of locally-collected data, means that data are available quickly enough to inform current lessons, instruction, and related academic programs and family and community supports. (p. 20)

*Promise Scorecard* makes locally-collected data available quickly enough to inform current lessons, instruction, and related academic programs and family and community supports – both in the planning year and, once the Promise Neighborhood is implemented, for continuous program improvement.

**Applicant must:**

- Collect data for the academic indicators listed in Table 1 and use them as both program and project indicators;
- Collect data for the family and community support indicators in Table 2 and use them as program indicators;
- Collect data for unique family and community support indicators, developed by the applicant, that align with the goals and objectives of projects and use them as project indicators or use the indicators in Table 2 as project indicators. (p.12-14)

*Promise Scorecard* organizes and portrays indicators at all phases of data reporting and project management and places the indicators at the center of the decision making process.

**Developing reliable and valid baseline data for program participants. (p12)**

*Promise Scorecard* portrays historic baselines and corresponding forecasts for all Promise Neighborhoods indicators.

**Staff to meet the rigorous national evaluation standards for program design and data collection. (p 5, 30)**

National evaluation standards can be inputted into *Promise Scorecard* and referenced with each indicator view.

**Organizations and schools implementing academic programs and family and community supports that have the capacity to collect, analyze, and use data to evaluate their efforts. (5)**

*Promise Scorecard* provides all participating agencies with a user-friendly, web-based tool for analyzing and using data to evaluate efforts.

# Collaboration and Going to Scale

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Ensuring collaboration across time periods, similar milestones and resources between schools, service systems and community partners. (p7)

*Promise Scorecard* links disparate data systems, milestones, programs, projects, and indicators into one unified system. The framework of the system facilitates collaboration across education systems, non-profits, foundations, private companies, agencies and community groups.

The adequacy of the management plan to achieve the objectives of the proposed projection on time and within budget, including clearly defined responsibilities, timelines, responsibility, and milestones for accomplishing project tasks. (p29)

*Promise Scorecard* provides a Project Management Function to communicate Project, Owner, Current Status and Percent Complete. This can not only be shown on the home page but connected to actions planned to make measurable change on particular performance measures.

Integrating programs and breaking down silos between agencies so that solutions are implemented effectively across agencies. (p5)

*Promise Scorecard* facilitates the collaborative engagement of stakeholders in the decision making process – efficiently, systematically, and transparently. Decision making is focused on data that transcend silos and, as a result, yields solutions that can be implemented effectively across agencies.

System unifies indicators of health, child poverty, crime, and poor housing to school or other geographic districts. (p6)

*Promise Scorecard* is available from any internet source and allows for many users to access data pertinent to their individual school and program(s), and indicators.

Organizations must demonstrate the expertise of their management team and partners’ ability to sustain Promise Neighborhood activities. (p8)

*Promise Scorecard* can link budgets, projects, forecasts and indicators across all relevant stakeholders including private sector organizations, public agencies, non-profits, foundations and communities.

Creating formal and informal relationships and generating community support to achieve results. (p29)

*Promise Scorecard* creates online communities around common ends and allows seamless collaboration through a web-accessible portal.

Supporting the efforts of eligible entities, working with local governments, to build the infrastructure of policies, practices, systems, and resources needed sustain and “scale up” proven, effective solutions across the broader region beyond the initial neighborhood (p.4)

*Promise Scorecard* is a scalable solution that can be expanded rapidly to include additional neighborhoods, catchment areas or communities.