

# SCHOOL LEADER SELF-REFLECTION TOOL

Self-reflection in leadership is a process where leaders examine their leadership experiences for the purpose of learning, continuous improvement, and growth. This tool is designed to provide a structure for leaders to reflect upon their leadership practices and behaviours; assess the impact of these leadership actions; and identify successes and areas for growth.

Focus Area	<b>Leading a Vision for Continuous Improvement</b>		
Description	The school leader is responsible for the process of co-creating a vision, strategies, and goals for high-quality education, taking into consideration local, divisional, and provincial priorities. This co-created vision is shared and reflects the commitment to all students reaching their full potential and cultivating a strong sense of well-being and belonging.		
Leadership Practice and Behaviour	<b>Co-Create and Share a Vision for Learning</b>		
	<b>Actions to Support the Leadership Practice and Behaviour</b>	<b>Reflective Questions</b>	<b>Space for Reflection</b>
Developing Self	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Develop a personal vision and mindset for continuous improvement.</li> <li>Understand personal privilege and how that may influence decision-making.</li> <li>Develop knowledge and understanding of strategies that have the greatest impact on student learning.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>How do you develop a shared vision of success for all students while ensuring all voices are represented and amplified?</li> <li>How is the vision reflected in the daily life of the school?</li> <li>What collaborative processes do you use in establishing the shared vision and student-centered goals that advance student learning and well-being for all students?</li> <li>How do you examine barriers to student success in your vision setting and in turn remove these barriers?</li> <li>How do you embed a culture of continuous improvement, innovation, and creativity, where all staff and students are encouraged to take risks?</li> </ul>	
Nurturing Teams	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Create and support processes to communicate and nurture a shared vision of success and well-being for all students.</li> <li>Ensure the vision for learning is collaboratively developed.</li> <li>Align the vision for learning with divisional and provincial policies, while reflecting the needs of the school.</li> </ul>		
Leading Schools	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Engage with partners and Indigenous Rights Holders to ensure that the vision for learning reflects the values of the community.</li> <li>Broadly communicate a vision for learning within and beyond the school community.</li> <li>Embed a culture of continuous improvement, innovation, and creativity, where staff and students are encouraged to take risks.</li> </ul>		
Leadership Practice and Behaviour	<b>Lead Strategic Planning at the School Level</b>		
	<b>Actions to Support the Leadership Practice and Behaviour</b>	<b>Reflective Questions</b>	<b>Space for Reflection</b>
Developing Self	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Model a personal commitment to continuous improvement.</li> <li>Develop a deep commitment that all students can learn and reach their full potential.</li> <li>Model being data informed, data intelligent, and an ethical data steward.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>How do you model a personal commitment to continuous improvement?</li> <li>What data do you use to inform school planning, implementation, monitoring, and reporting?</li> <li>How do you gather and analyze data to ensure that outcomes for specific groups are identified?</li> <li>What processes do you use to develop, implement, monitor, and evaluate the school improvement plan?</li> <li>How do you ensure the diversity of students is reflected in the school improvement plan?</li> <li>How do you identify and address biases and systemic barriers, while recognizing and addressing your own emotional responses, and guiding others to do the same?</li> <li>How do you strategically and meaningfully elicit student voice in school planning and decision-making?</li> </ul>	
Nurturing Teams	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Collaboratively establish student-centred goals that promote learning, well-being, and belonging for all students.</li> <li>Apply the analysis of data and a range of evidence to inform school planning, monitoring, and reporting.</li> <li>Promote innovation and positive change that support student learning and well-being.</li> </ul>		
Leading Schools	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Ensure the diversity of students is reflected in the annual school improvement plan.</li> <li>Include student voice in school planning and decision-making.</li> </ul>		

## Self-Reflection Summary

What have I tried in this focus area?

What have I learned from the things I have tried?

What are my strengths?

What are my opportunities for growth?

Possible next steps: