

STRATEGIC PLANNING: SPECIAL EDUCATION IMPROVEMENT

Leading change in special education requires more than just a vision; it requires hands-on, shoulder-to-shoulder support to navigate the complexities of implementing new initiatives. The Ability Challenge understands the obstacles school and district leaders face in driving meaningful change in special education practices. Our strategic planning and coaching services provide leaders with the personalized support and expertise needed to effectively lead change management initiatives, ensuring that all students, especially those with diverse learning needs, receive the support they need to succeed.

Service Description

ABC offers strategic planning and coaching services designed to support school and district leaders in implementing new initiatives or improving existing practices related to special education and inclusive practices. Our expert coaches work collaboratively with leaders to set clear goals, break down these goals into actionable steps, and provide guidance and support throughout the implementation process. This service is tailored to meet the unique needs and challenges of each school or district, ensuring that leaders have the tools and strategies needed to drive positive change.

Feedback from ABC Partners

“The Ability Challenge has been monumental in supporting clarity of special education personnel roles and responsibilities at [our network]. They have also designed tools that are supportive of teacher planning through the lens of specialized instruction which has contributed to stronger instruction for students with IEPs.”

- Charter network Director of Special Education

“Our retreat provided a lot of clarity and time to really dig into our culture and reality. I feel like these times when we are thought partners I leave with more clarity and knowledge as a leader.”

- High School Principal

Outcomes & Deliverables

As part of this service, partners will:

- Understand the steps involved in strategic planning and implementation.
- Engage in the process of setting achievable goals and creating action plans to reach these goals.
- Guide teams and manage change in support of special education and inclusive practices.

Audience

School and district leaders, including principals, special education coordinators, and district administrators

Service Components

- Engage in sessions to build knowledge about and implement aspects of the strategic planning process, including goal setting, action planning, building a coalition, and troubleshooting strategies
- Access coaching, resources, and support from the ABC experts
- Successfully implement a new initiative or improve existing practices related to special education or inclusive practices
- Increase staff efficacy and collaboration in the implementation of the initiative or practice improvement