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How AI Ready Is Your District?

Explore these key questions to guide your district's journey into AI integration

AI has the power to revolutionize education, empowering educators and driving better outcomes for students. However, with only 5% of districts having AI policies, there's a huge opportunity to lead the way. Use this guide to create a clear vision and strategic plan for implementing AI, and to identify the best tools that bring the promise of AI to your schools.

Vision & Strategy

- Does your district have a clear strategic vision for integrating AI into teaching and learning?
- Are there specific goals or outcomes you hope to achieve with AI technology (e.g., improving student engagement, automating administrative tasks)?
- Does your district's vision for AI integration align with broader educational priorities, such as improving student outcomes or supporting teacher effectiveness?

Tip

Set clear goals, such as personalized learning or streamlined operations. Ensure your AI strategy supports overarching district goals and measurable objectives.

Leadership & Support

- Is district leadership supporting and championing AI implementation?
- Has your district formed a leadership team or task force to oversee AI planning and implementation?
- Are there policies in place to guide the ethical use of AI in education?

Tip

Consider appointing an AI lead to drive initiatives, or creating a dedicated team to ensure accountability and consistent progress on AI initiatives.

Infrastructure & Technology

- Have you identified an AI platform to use that's purpose-built for K-12 districts?
- Are your existing systems compatible with the AI tools you plan to implement?
- Is the AI platform you intend to use customizable to your district's needs?

Tip

Ensure stable internet and adequate devices for implementation. Conduct a tech audit to ensure your hardware and software meet AI system requirements.

Data Privacy & Security

- Are there currently strong data privacy policies for AI in place?
- Does your district plan to partner with trusted vendors who prioritize data privacy and security in their AI solutions?

Tip

Prioritize compliance with regulations like SOC2 and FERPA. Work with providers that meet industry standards to protect student data.

Teacher Readiness & Development

- Are teachers prepared to integrate AI tools into their instruction and curriculum, or are there gaps in readiness and adoption that need to be addressed?
- Have teachers received both the training and the ongoing support they need to confidently integrate AI tools into their classrooms?

Tip

Invest in ongoing training and support. Combine initial training with continuous professional development to ensure long-term success.

Curriculum Integration

- Can the AI platform you intend to use integrate your district's curriculum?
- Have specific subjects or grade levels been identified where AI can enhance teaching and learning?
- Does your district have a process for aligning AI tools with curriculum standards and learning objectives?

Tip

Focus on areas where AI can make the most impact, and start with targeted areas to build momentum for broader integration.

Budget & Funding

- Is there a dedicated budget for AI?
- Has your district identified sustainable funding sources to support both initial AI implementation and ongoing maintenance?

Tip

Explore grants or funding opportunities for support. Plan for long-term costs to ensure the success of your AI initiatives.

Community Engagement

- Have you engaged board members and/or other stakeholders in conversations about AI?
- Have you sought input from families, students, and staff to ensure AI adoption aligns with community needs and expectations?

Tip

Communicate benefits and address concerns proactively, and involve your community early to build trust and foster collaboration.

Assessment & Evaluation

- Do you have a plan for evaluating AI's impact?
- Are there systems in place to collect feedback from educators and students on the effectiveness of AI tools?
- Can your AI tools show educator usage data and trends to meet governance an audit needs?

Tip

Set metrics for success and review progress regularly. Use feedback to refine your approach and ensure AI is meeting its intended goals.

Is your district ready for AI?

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