

## What is it?

- A District of Innovation designation allows traditional independent school districts to access most of the flexibilities available to Texas' open enrollment charter schools.
- Passed by the 84<sup>th</sup> Legislative Session in House Bill 1842.

## Why Do We Want It?

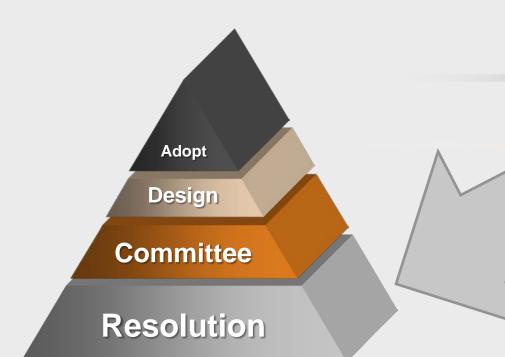
- We have been looking at innovative ways of instruction through the Classroom Revolution Committee
- We want to hire industry professionals in our Career and Technical program
- We want to capture time during the school year for ongoing support for struggling students

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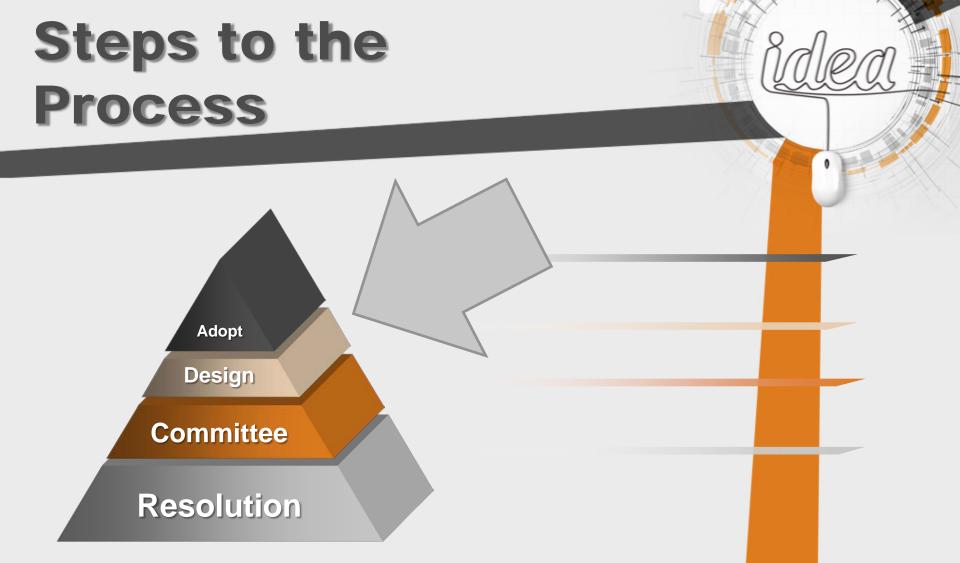


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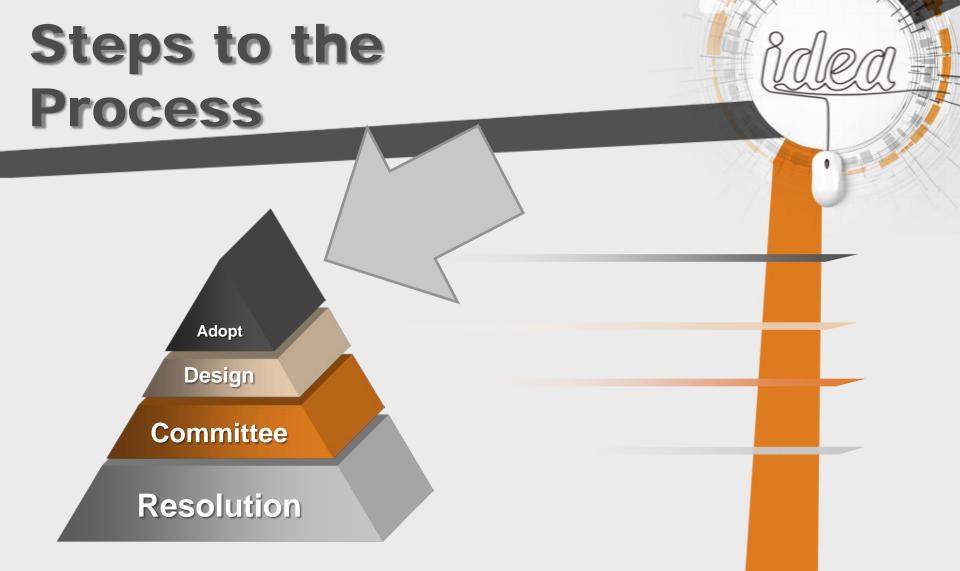
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Next the School Board appoints a committee to develop the innovation plan.



The committee designs the plan, posts online for 30 days, sends a copy to the Commissioner, and holds a public meeting with the District Advisory Committee.



Upon completion of these steps, the plan is brought to the School Board for approval, and becomes final at that time. Plans may remain in effect for up to 5 years.

### **Timeline**



Administrative Team Discussions

#### **April**

District Advisory Committee

#### May

- School Board Presentation
- Plan Input and Design

#### June

Final Plan Presented to School Board

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## Minutes of Instruction

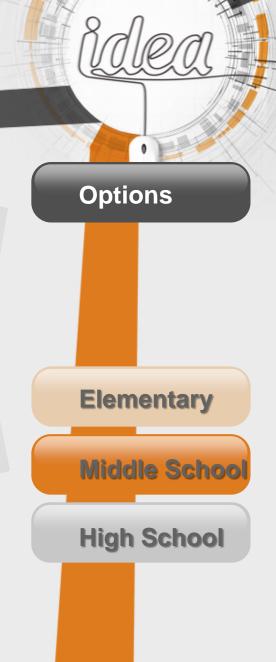
**Delayed Start** 

**Early Close** 

Intervention

**Enrichment** 

Calendar Alternatives



## Teacher Certification

Industry

Business

**Professional** 

Traditional

Career Technical

