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**Impact of SWIFT**

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## **School Wide Integrated Framework for Transformation** **SWIFT Conceptual Highlights**

MDH- Notes from October 2013

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### **Setting the stage of *ALL MEANS ALL***

- Building human capacity
- Combining strengths
- Relationship and recruitment
- Moving toward comprehensive school wide support and service
- Personalized learning

***We are 100% responsible for positive results for children...all of us***  
***It is not an end game it is a journey***

- SWIFT is leverage point
  - A place to braid general, Title 1 and Special Education
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### **SWIFT Domains**

Administrative Leadership  
Integrated Educational Framework  
Multi-Tiered Systems of Support  
Inclusive Policy Structure and Practice  
Family and Community Engagement

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### **What is Our Pedagogy?**

Science and art of education; specific instructional theory; the function or work of teachers

### ***What does it mean for a school system***

1. Internal accountability
2. What can we control?
3. What can we hold ourselves accountable?
4. What can we hold ourselves accountable with families and community?

### ***Building a Shared Effort***

School effort  
Student effort  
Parent effort  
Community effort

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***Possible outcomes with implementation of a SWIFT system***

- Align initiatives to common vision
- Implementation capacity
  - Built teams of educators
  - Coherent and coordinated system
- Developed a new type of leadership
  - Instead of dealing with loss, disloyalty and incompetence;
  - Create teams that are problem solvers, take calculated risks and tend to the hearts and minds of teachers and administrative personnel
- Once the process is established there is NO LOOKING BACK
- ALIGNMENT OF STRENGTHS MAKING THE WEAKNESSES SEEM IRRELEVANT

***Vision To Move Toward***

- PD to create a unified vision of integrated learning
- Student driven education (planning, instruction, environments) – not adult driven
- Students caring for students
- Related services in classrooms
- Teacher allocations blended based on student need in the classroom (special education and general education braided)

***Ongoing Assessment***

- Imbedded teams (School/SU/State)
- Continual improvement study – cycled work
- Tend to key issues that happen over and over again – break the cycle
- Use data systems effectively to answer questions and to plan
- Leadership
  - Coach through adaptive challenges of adults
  - Develop cycles of improvement
  - Describe implementation (domains/ features)