

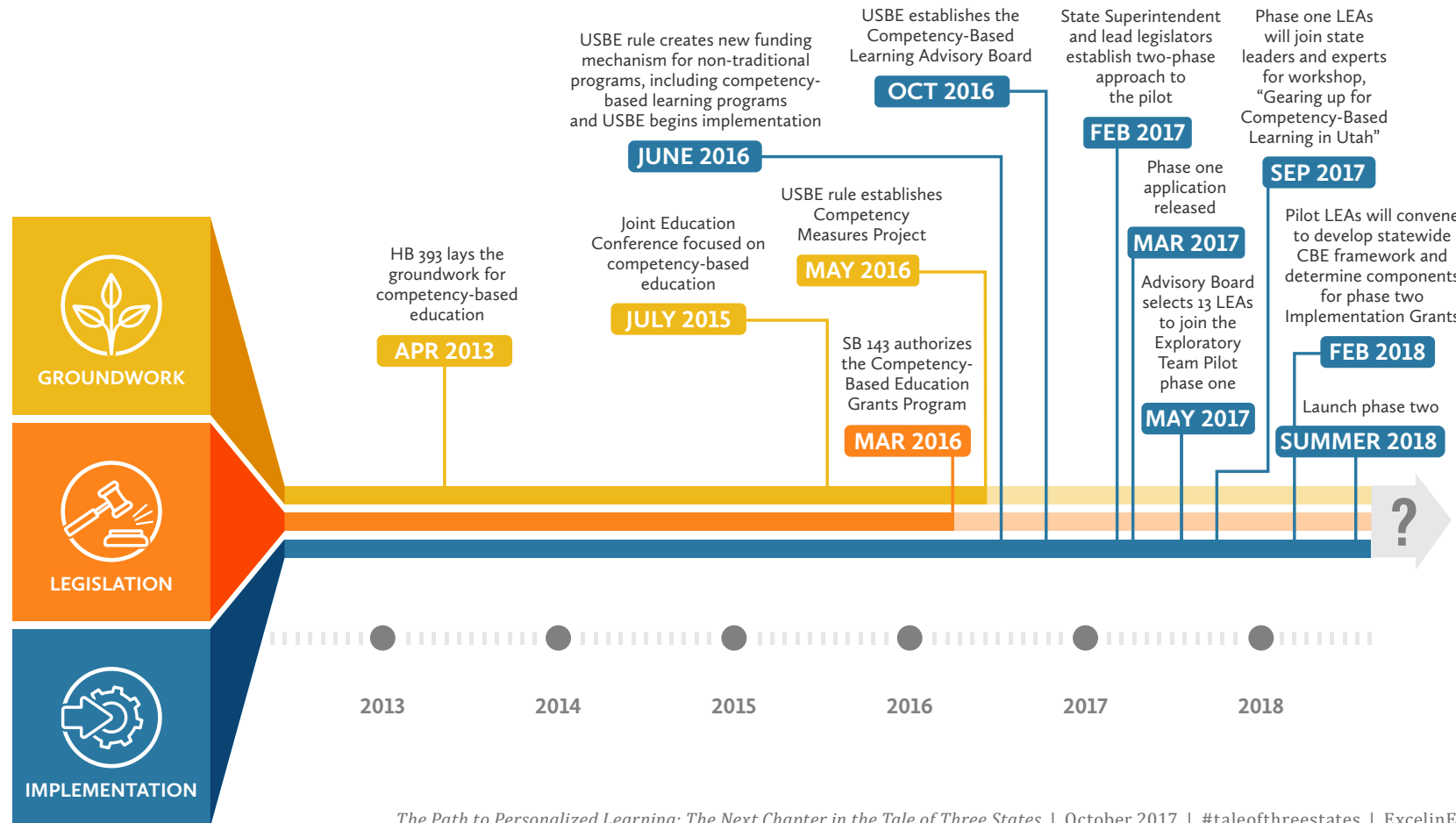


Utah Key Lessons from the Competency-Based Education Grants Program

Thoughtfully develop a state framework and build a shared understanding of the elements of a successful competency-based education program. After assessing both interest in and knowledge about competency-based education, the Utah State Board of Education added an exploratory phase to build knowledge and set the stage for successful implementation.

Communicate early and often with students, parents and other community stakeholders. A competency-based education system represents a significant change compared to more traditional school models, and LEAs need to communicate early and often with parents and other stakeholders to ensure they understand changes and how they connect to improved education for students.

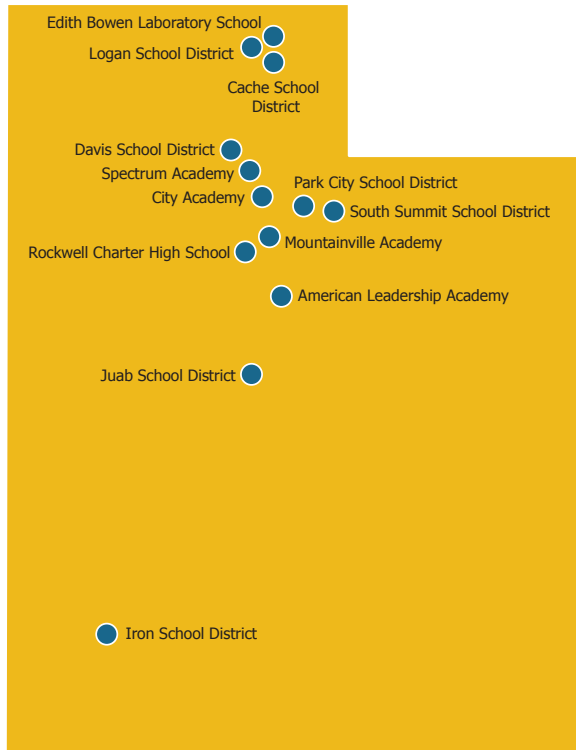
Provide ongoing support and training to teachers to shift to competency-based education. Switching from the traditional model of education to a more personalized approach can be challenging and intimidating. Successful competency-based education programs address these anxieties directly, through professional learning and engagement of teachers in design and implementation decisions.



Utah: Key Lessons from the Competency-Based Education Pilot



Utah's Competency-Based Education Grants Program includes 12 diverse local education agencies from across the state.



	Number of Schools	Total Students Enrolled	Percent Enrollment							
			White	Black	Hispanic	Asian	Native American	Low-Income	ELL	Students with IEPs
State		635,577	76	1	16	3	1	37	6	12
American Leadership Academy	1	1,721	71	1	24	1	0	39	8	**
Cache County School District	28	16,726	88	1	9	1	0	34	3	14
City Academy	1	229	63	4	23	3	0	42	3	**
Davis School District	90	70,857	84	1	9	3	0	22	3	12
Edith Bowen Lab School	1	304	83	1	9	5	1	31	2	**
Iron County School District	17	9,078	84	0	10	1	3	47	3	14
Juab School District	5	2,341	94	0	3	1	1	37	0	14
Logan City School District	9	6,169	65	1	26	5	1	58	11	14
Mountainville Academy	1	771	91	1	3	2	0	8	0	**
Park City School District	12	4,872	76	0	21	2	0	19	8	6
Rockwell Charter High School	1	445	89	1	6	1	1	33	0	**
South Summit School District	4	1,535	86	0	12	0	0	23	5	12
Spectrum Academy	2	982	87	1	7	2	0	28	0	**

Additional data is available in the full report, *The Path to Personalized Learning: The Next Chapter in the Tale of Three States*

Source: Common Core of Data, National Center of Education Statistics, U.S. Dept. of Education

** Data unavailable

Note: Schools in participating districts may be phased in over time.