## List of Characteristics and Standards

### CHARACTERISTIC I: VISION, VALUES, AND CULTURE
- Standard 1.1 District Vision and Mission
- Standard 1.2 District Communication with Stakeholders
- Standard 1.3 District Community Partnerships
- Standard 1.4 District Promotion of Positive School Culture
- Standard 1.5 District Support for Safe Learning Environments

### CHARACTERISTIC II: LEADERSHIP AND GOVERNANCE
- Standard 2.1 District Support for Leadership—District Administrative Leadership Team and Board of Education
- Standard 2.2 District Support for Leadership—Central Office and School Building Administrators
- Standard 2.3 District Support for Teacher Leadership for Student Achievement
- Standard 2.4 District Training for School Improvement Teams and District Monitoring of School Improvement Plans

### CHARACTERISTIC III: DECISION MAKING AND ACCOUNTABILITY
- Standard 3.1 District Development of a Data System for School Improvement
- Standard 3.2 District Use of Data for Resource Allocation to Improve Student Learning
- Standard 3.3 District Use of Fiscal Resources
- Standard 3.4 District Support for School’s Data-based Decision Making

### CHARACTERISTIC IV: CURRICULUM AND INSTRUCTION
- Standard 4.1 District Curriculum and Instruction Framework
- Standard 4.2 District Curriculum Alignment
- Standard 4.3 District Support for Research-based Instruction
- Standard 4.4 District Use of Data to Close Achievement Gaps
- Standard 4.5 District Support for Interventions and Extended Learning Opportunities

### CHARACTERISTIC V: PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT AND TEACHER QUALITY
- Standard 5.1 District Support of Initial Educators
- Standard 5.2 District Professional Development Model
- Standard 5.3 District Recruitment and Retention of Highly Qualified, Experienced Teachers
- Standard 5.4 District Support of Orientation and Mentoring for Principals
- Standard 5.5 District Support for Principals as Instructional Leaders