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(must be based on data, not perceptions)

Provide a summary analysis of your CSAP, benchmark assessments and any other data. Respond in the analysis to the following questions:

- What do these data tell you about your students overall performance?
- Based on the data, where does your school need to focus their school improvement goals?
- What do these data tell you about your ELL students?
- What do these data tell you about your special education students?
- What do these data tell you about your Gifted/Talented and high performing students?
- What do these data tell you about your migrant students?
- What test performance variations by racial/ ethnic groups or gender exist?
- What differences do you see in racial group performance?
- What disparities do you see in special needs students?
- What progress has your school made on closing the gap in any groups?

## SETTING PRIORITIES AND IDENTIFYING ROOT CAUSES

Based on the comprehensive needs assessment and the academic data analysis, prioritize areas in need of improvement.

Explore and verify the underlying causes for each priority area needing improvement identified. A clear, accurate understanding of the causes will help in selecting appropriate solutions and strategies for your action plan. Some guiding questions are:

What are the root causes of the achievement gap?

What are the barriers to all students achieving a year's growth, and, for students not at proficient /advanced levels, more than a year's growth in a year's time?