

Colorado Department of Education School Redesign RFI:
Management Partners and Non-Profit Networks

Organization name: Achievement Network (ANet)

Summary
<p>ANet is a strong option for schools seeking a management partner who specializes in Instructional Transformation and Turnaround Leadership. Their RFI response is well-developed and thorough. ANet summarizes a substantive, compelling body of evidence that supports the effectiveness of their work, including a randomized control trial.</p> <p>ANet states that they provide “comprehensive instructional support to schools including coaching and professional learning for school leadership teams and teachers, standards-based instructional resources to support planning and instruction, and high-quality interim assessments.” The organization has a clear theory of action for school improvement that drives their work. While ANet will engage with schools to create a yearlong plan of support for individual schools, the organization has a prescriptive program, referred to as their “Core Model” that includes four set components that are implemented in a structured way, building on their evidence-based best practices.</p>

Application Question	Completed Sufficiently? (Yes, No, Partially)	Notes
How will you differentiate your services to meet the unique needs of schools and districts in Colorado, especially those with historically underserved students?	Yes	A thorough explanation of ANet’s Core Model and their commitment to educational equity is provided.
When considering partnering with a school or district that you have not partnered with before, what would be the key aspects or conditions of an agreement you would need to have in place with the district (or authorizer) in order to make your school successful?	Yes	The narrative lists conditions that should be in place for ANet’s support to be effective, based on a U.S. Department of Education Investing in Innovation (i3) funded randomized control trial.

Describe your experience working with other third party providers to support coherent school and district improvement.	Yes	ANet provides detailed examples of how they have partnered in a coherent and effective manner with other third party providers to support school improvement.
<p>Evidence of Track Record of Improved Student and School Outcomes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Please illustrate your organization’s track record in dramatically improving schools or districts and radically increasing outcomes for targeted groups of students. Include a description of the criteria and the data that you use to determine the impact of your work. Please highlight the context and location of where this work has occurred. Formal research studies are preferred, if available. 	Yes	<p>ANet includes a summary of the large and compelling body of evidence that supports their work.</p> <p>For example: “As part of the prestigious Investing in Innovation (i3) grant, Harvard's Center for Education Policy Research (CEPR) conducted a randomized control trial in 2015 and found that ANet partner schools with the right structures in place (such as common planning time) significantly outperformed control schools. This outperformance translated to roughly six months of additional learning for students in ANet partner schools over the two-year study, compared to students in control schools.”</p>

References	
Are there three references listed?	Yes
Comments about references	The provided references are appropriate and include past and current clients. CDE strongly encourages interested schools and districts to reach out to the references on their own.