Utah SLO Guidelines: FACT Sheet

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Tight: What districts MUST do

- All students will be assessed using SAGE in TSG and growth will be determined using SGPs
- Teachers of TSG will receive aggregated student learning and growth results
- Teachers of NSTG will use SLOs to measure student growth and learning
- Subjects / courses for SLOs will be selected by educators, but districts will have discretion to make policy concerning how these selections are made
- Teachers will implement 2 SLOs (or two measures of growth)
- One of the two SLOs MUST be an individual SLO
- If an educator teaches the same TSG (only one TSG subject or course) and no other subject or course, the SGP will be used; another measure of student growth is NOT required in this case
- If an educator teaches two TSG or some arrangement of TSG and NTSG, then two measures of student growth will be required; this includes elementary teachers grades 4+
- Administrators will approve SLOs and use SLO and SGP results for educator evaluation
- SLOs will be reviewed for quality and consistency using the *Utah Rubric for Assessing Quality SLOs* (pp. 19-28 in *Utah SLO Toolkit*)
- NTSG assessments for students will be of high quality; the *Utah Assessment Review Tool* is available to assist with reviewing the quality of assessments
- SLOs will be representative of the subjects / courses taught and MUST be linked to Utah Core Standards
- The Utah Model SLO Template (or the components of the template) will be used statewide; the template is available on-line (pp. 9-17 in Utah SLO Toolkit)

Loose: What districts have the OPTION to do

- Assessments may be developed for SLOs at the teacher, school, or district level; commercial assessments for SLOs may be used (if reviewed for quality, validity, and applicability)
- Districts, schools, and teachers may write SLOs using the format and Development Guide for the Utah Model SLO Template; statewide example content area SLOs are available to guide the development of SLOs
- SLOs created by districts may be shared with the USOE to be included in the state SLO bank of example SLOS
- Administrators may use team leaders, department chairs, etc. to provide oversight of the SLOs being developed, prior to administrator final approval
- Statewide example SLOs will be provided by the USOE and districts are encouraged to use them in part or in whole as needed
- Contextualization of SLOs will occur through the setting of student target outcomes.
- Utah Student Growth Model outlines LEA attribution options
- Options for educators to be evaluated through multiple growth measures allow schools and districts to require more than two measures of growth, a combination of SLOs and SGPs, or a combination of individual and shared attribution of SLOs and SGPs
- Districts may require educators of TSG to implement SLOs
- Shared attribution of SLO results with other NTSG teachers and TSG teachers is encouraged
- NTSG sharing attribution of TSG results is encouraged
- Teacher collaboration and working within learning communities is encouraged