

# The LEAP Pilot Network

Expertise and  
support in  
designing and  
implementing  
personalized  
learning with  
edtech

## Questions?

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The **LEAP Innovations Pilot Network** brings together forward-thinking principals and teachers from across the Chicago region to design, implement and evaluate personalized learning practices and edtech tools in their classrooms.

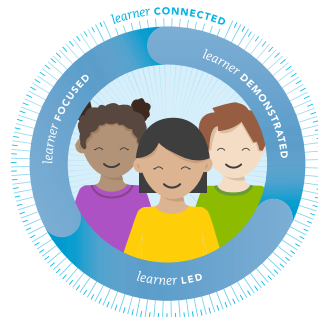
### The LEAP Pilot Network Program

The Pilot Network is an 18 month program that provides an opportunity for school teams to build and pilot a personalized learning approach in their school for specific focus areas and grade levels. The program includes:

- A professional development on-ramp starting in January 2017 to develop each school's personalized learning approach and strategies
- "Match Day," where school teams meet with edtech companies vetted by national experts, and then select a product that supports their personalized learning approach and addresses their needs
- A school year of piloting the team's strategies and product over the 2017-2018 school year
- Ongoing observations and coaching, professional development workshops, and qualitative and quantitative feedback and reports on student growth throughout the 2017-2018 school year

### The LEAP Learning Framework for Personalized Learning

At LEAP, we've developed the **LEAP Learning Framework** to define and guide our work with schools and educators around personalized learning. We define "personalized learning" as learning that is focused on, demonstrated by, and led with the learner. It is rooted in the idea that learning is connected in and out of school, and that learning happens in collaboration with peers, educators, parents and the community.



- **Focused on the learner:** learning opportunities reflect an understanding of individual student needs, interests and strengths
- **Demonstrated by the learner:** credit is based on demonstrated proficiency, not seat time, and students experience supports and pacing that meet their individual needs
- **Led with the learner:** students become active, empowered agents of their learning. This includes co-designing learning experiences and learning goals and objectives, monitoring their own progress and goals, and advocating for help when needed

## Who Participates in the Program?

- We're building a cohort of 30-35 school teams from local district, charter, and private schools
- Teams consist of a school administrator, a pilot lead (assistant principal, instructional coach, or other) and 2-6 teachers serving at least 100 unique students, as well as either the IT, facilities or school technology lead
- Pilot leads will receive additional professional development and support from LEAP to lead pilot implementation at his or her school, gaining valuable expertise in personalized learning practices

## Benefits for Schools

- Understand personalized learning best practices with support from national experts
- Develop a personalized learning approach for their pilot classrooms rooted in the LEAP Learning Framework, incorporating creative spaces and scheduling, staff roles, student ownership, and data-driven instruction
- Receive a product license, on-site support and coaching from LEAP, and additional workshops during the 2017-2018 school year
- Join the national and local personalized learning community that is transforming teaching and learning

## What is the Cost to Participate?

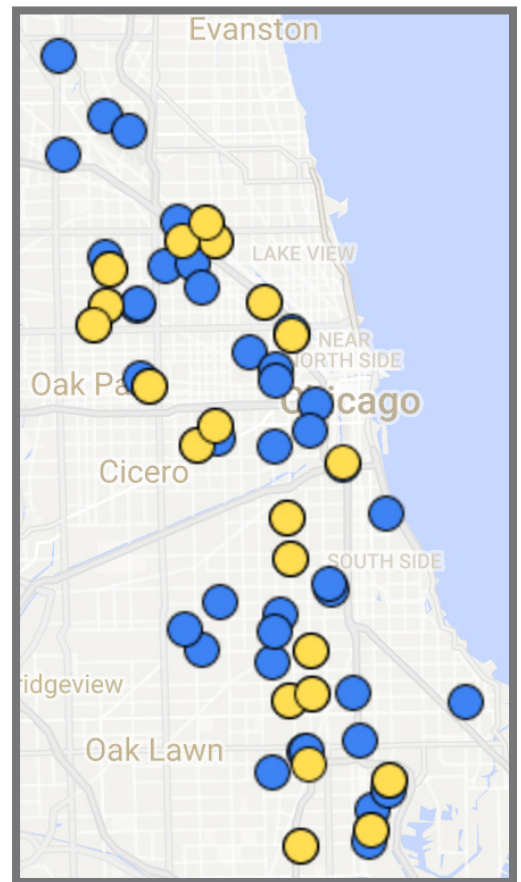
Schools contribute a fee of \$25,000 towards the actual program cost of nearly \$75,000 per school, which LEAP underwrites with philanthropic funding from our generous supporters.

## Who Leads the LEAP Pilot Network?

Members of the LEAP Pilot Network staff include national experts on personalized learning and research, as well as former practitioners with experience in personalized learning schools and classrooms. Visit [leapinnovations.org](http://leapinnovations.org) for more information on the LEAP Pilot Network team.

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