



Frequently Asked Questions

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iResult Basics

How does iResult work?

iResult pulls data from a school district's multiple systems, including its Student Information System (SIS), Data & Assessment System (DAS), Blended Learning System (BAS) and other systems. Through a suite of powerful apps, reports and analytics, iResult provides district and school leadership with insight and intelligence relevant to daily decision-making.

What can schools do with data once they have it?

Once schools have the data, they can use it to do the following:

1. See daily gaps against goals.
2. Prove their interventions' outcomes by correlating with academic data.
3. Address their students' needs and celebrate their successes.
4. Build capacity by communicating with their team.

How does iResult get the data?

We use standard extraction processes including Extract Transform and Load processes (ETL) and Application Programming Interfaces (APIs). Once data is extracted, we normalize the data so that it is ready for your use.

Is iResult a Data & Assessment System?

No, iResult is not a Data & Assessment System (DAS) but it can pull data from DASs. A DAS is a software application that allows teachers to create assessments and grade them in an efficient manner. iResult has pulled data from DASs like Mastery Connect, Illuminate and Data Director.

Is iResult a Learning Management System?

No, iResult is not a Learning Management System (LMS) but it can pull data from LMSs. LMS is a software application for the administration, documentation, tracking and reporting of electronic educational technology.

Is iResult a Data Warehouse?

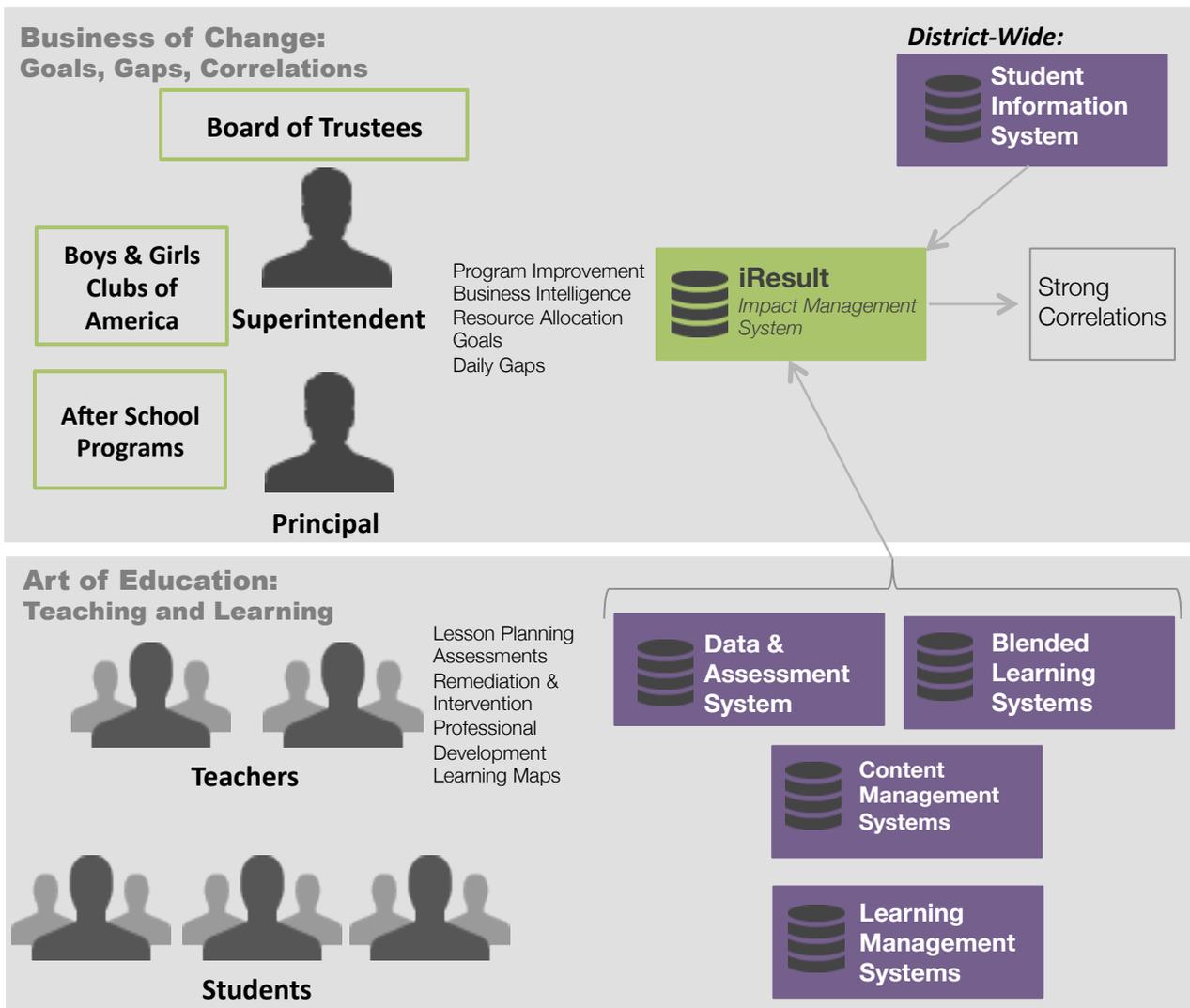
No, iResult is not a Data Warehouse but we can make data that lives in data warehouses more user-friendly. In some school districts, iResult has been implemented to pull data from the district's data warehouse in order to make the data more accessible and useful.

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Why do schools use iResult?

School districts use iResult for their business intelligence, program improvement and data integration needs. Today, school districts house their data in multiple systems. They need a system that seamlessly and efficiently integrates their data, provides them with a simple and easy way to view their results and allows them to correlate data to prove results.

Schools typically use a Student Information System (SIS) to house their school site data, a Data & Assessment System (DAS) to house academic assessments and other systems for teacher professional development or blended learning. iResult automates the integration of these multiple systems to make data easier to understand for school administrators and principals. The illustration below depicts the typical systems environment for a school district. Today, iResult is used in California, Hawaii, Massachusetts and Tennessee.



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Data Extraction

Can iResult integrate with state systems?

Yes, it can. iResult. iResult would treat this just like any data extraction protocol. The main difference between iResult and state systems is this: state systems are data repositories while iResult was built as a set of tools that gives leaders insight and actionable intelligence. iResult's apps are used to identify students who need help, take action on it and see if the action taken has worked.

Can schools get academic data even if it does not use the full Impact Management Solution?

Yes, they can. If districts do not use our full Impact Management Solution, they can avail themselves of our reporting services. We provide standard reports on a periodic basis. Needless to say, this is not as powerful as the full system.

How do you handle privacy?

iResult provides FERPA compliant data services. When we engage with a school district, we start with a Data Sharing Agreement. In the Data Sharing Agreement, we outline the rules for how we handle student data including access, data destruction and data use.

Do we have to manually update the information?

No, you do not. Data in iResult is updated daily on an automated basis.

How long does it take to integrate data?

It typically takes 4-6 weeks to set-up iResult.

Frequently Asked Questions: *Training*

Who will train our staff on using data & managing by results?

We provide up to 8 hours of formal training sessions throughout the school year as well as monthly “Power Sessions”. All training sessions are recorded and archived for future reference.

What other training resources does iResult provide?

Our “Help” section is fully-featured and includes a comprehensive Knowledge Base with more than 30 articles which provide users with step-by-step instructions. Users receive support through the Help section, email and phone.