

NHED Innovation School Application Checklist

Last Revised: 5.2.23

School Administrative Unit		Names(s) of Proposed Innovation Schools	
Local School Board(s)		Dates of Local School Board Approvals	
NHED Application Reviewer – Initial		Date of NHED Initial Application Review	
NHED Application Reviewer - Secondary		Date of NHED Secondary Application Review	

The following checklist shall only be completed after the reviewer has confirmed the Innovation School Plan application has been formally approved by all of the require local School Boards as required by RSA 194-E:2. Review of the application prior to local School Board approval is premature.

Determination	Innovation School Plan Requirements
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> N/A	A statement of the public school’s mission and why designation as an innovation school would enhance the school’s ability to achieve its mission.
<i>NHED Comments</i>	
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> N/A	A description of the innovations the public school would implement, which may include, but not be limited to, innovations in school staffing, curriculum and assessment, class scheduling, use of financial and other resources, and faculty recruitment, employment, evaluation, and compensation.
<i>NHED Comments</i>	
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> N/A	A listing of department of education’s administrative rules from which the schools are requesting a waiver and rationale for the waiver request including how and why the waiver is needed to implement its identified innovations.
<i>NHED Comments</i>	
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> N/A	A listing of the programs, policies, or operational documents within the public school that would be affected by the public school’s identified innovations and the manner in which they would be affected. The programs, policies, or operational documents may include, but need not be limited to: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (1) The research-based educational program the public school would implement. (2) The length of school day and school year at the public school. (3) The student promotion and graduation policies to be implemented at the public school. (4) The public school’s assessment plan. (5) The proposed budget for the public school. (6) The proposed staffing plan for the public school.
<i>NHED Comments</i>	
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> N/A	An identification of the improvements in academic performance that the public school expects to achieve by implementing the innovations.

<i>NHED Comments</i>	
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> N/A	An estimate of the cost savings or increased efficiencies, or both, if any, the public school expects to achieve by implementing its identified innovations.
<i>NHED Comments</i>	
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> N/A	A statement of the level of support for designation as an innovation school or school zone demonstrated by students and parents of students enrolled in the public school, and the community surrounding the public school.
<i>NHED Comments</i>	
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> N/A	A description of any provision of the collective bargaining agreement in effect for the personnel at the public school that would need to be waived or modified for the public school to implement its identified innovations.
<i>NHED Comments</i>	
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> N/A	Any additional information required by the local school board of the school district in which the innovation plan would be implemented.
<i>NHED Comments</i>	
Determination	Additional Innovation School Zone Plan Requirements
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> N/A	A description of how innovations in the public schools in the school innovation zone would be integrated to achieve results that would be less likely to be accomplished by each public school working alone.
<i>NHED Comments -</i>	
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> N/A	An estimate of any economies of scale that would be achieved by innovations implemented jointly by the public schools within the innovation school zone.
<i>NHED Comments -</i>	
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> N/A	A statement of the level of support for designation as an innovation school demonstrated by students and parents of students enrolled in the public school, and the community surrounding the public school based upon the public hearing.
<i>NHED Comments -</i>	

Innovation School Plan Application Status

- Innovation School Plan application is **incomplete**. Application to be returned to the local School Board(s) in accordance with RSA 194-E:3(III).
- Innovation School Plan application is **complete** with no NHED comments. Ready for State Board of Education consideration in accordance with RSA 194-E:3(IV).
- Innovation School Plan application is **complete with NHED comments**. Application to be returned to the local School Board(s) in accordance with RSA 194-E:3(III).