

Taking Strategic Action



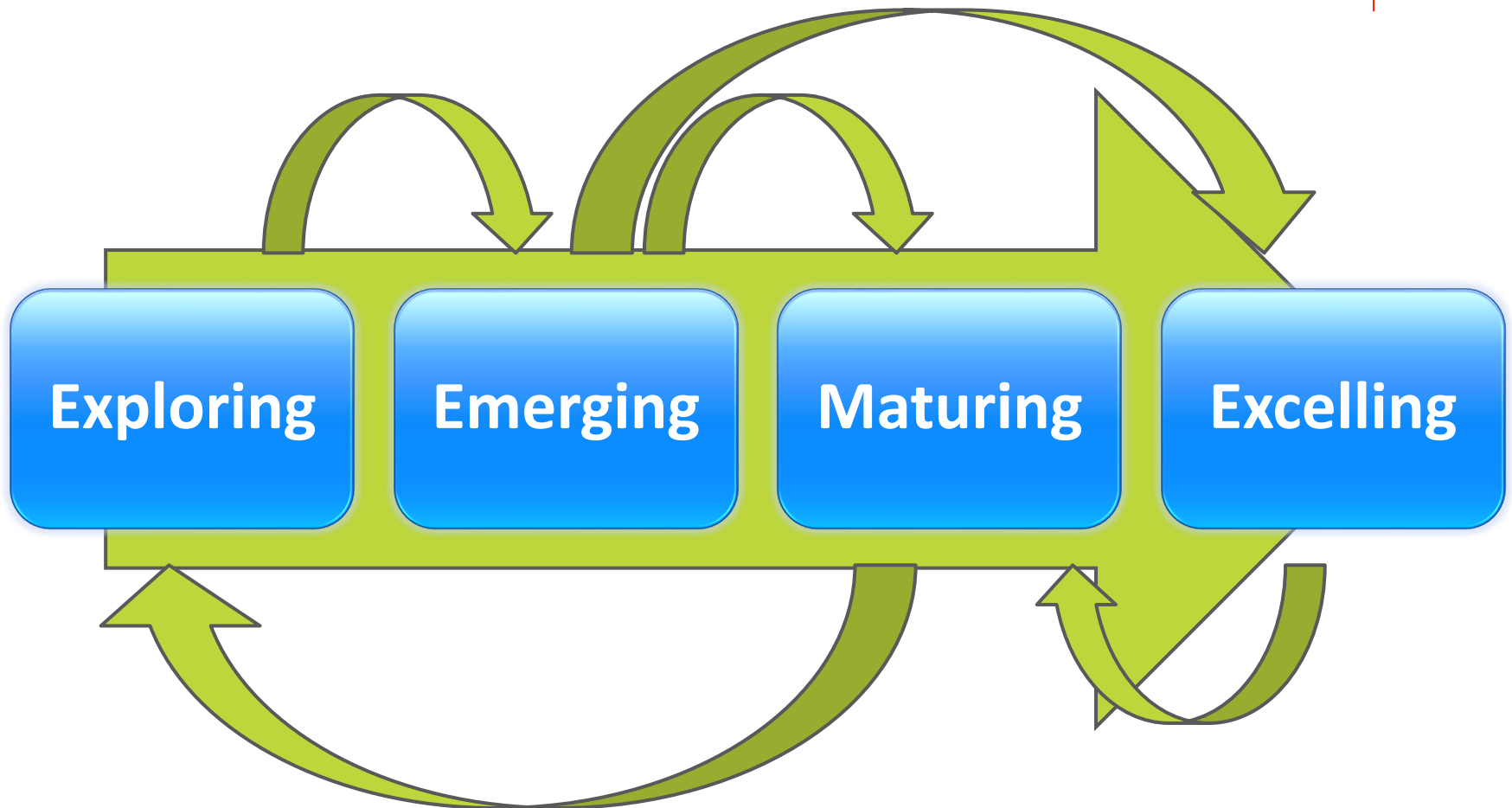
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Stages of Development in a Community School



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A strategic planning tool that:

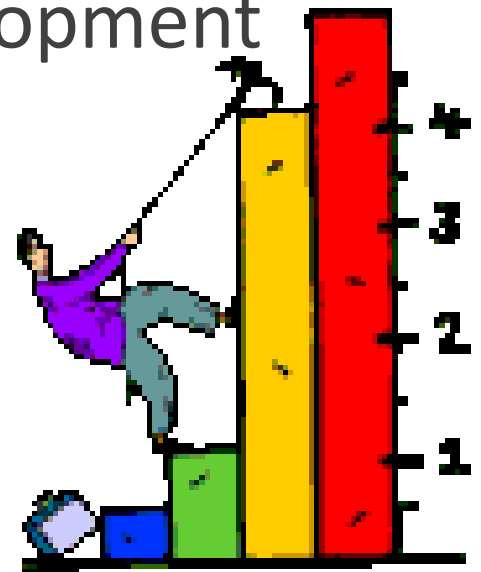
1. Focuses on moving to the next Stage of Development
2. Identifies opportunities, challenges and partners
3. Encourages creative thinking
4. Results in short- and long-term strategies



Using the Tool: Step 1



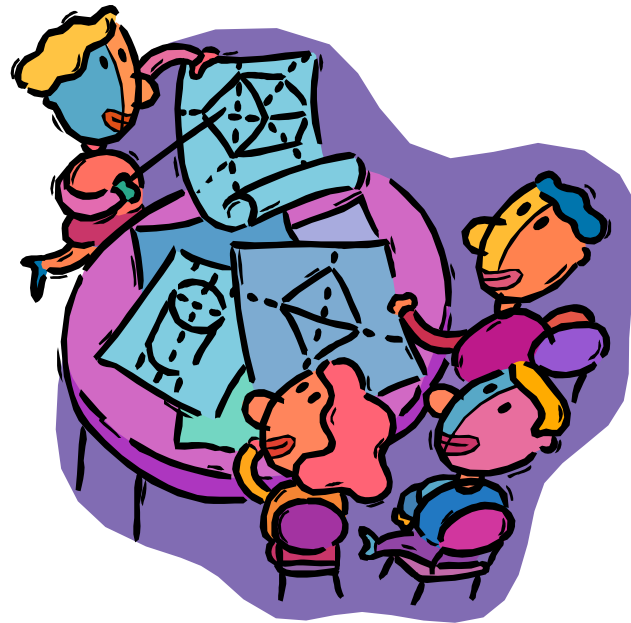
- ◆ With your team, pick a capacity that you want to focus on and circle it at the top of the page
- ◆ Discuss and identify the **opportunities** and **challenges** related to moving your work in that capacity to the next stage of development



Using the Tool: Step 2



- ◆ Discuss and identify the partners that would need to be engaged to move your work in that capacity to the next stage of development



Using the Tool: Step 3



- ◆ Brainstorm action steps you could take to get to the next stage. Think big and bold!
- ◆ Be prepared to share back your one, best idea



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	LESS IMPORTANT	MORE IMPORTANT
EASIER		Quick Wins
HARDER		Core Strategy