

Joint Professional Development Framework

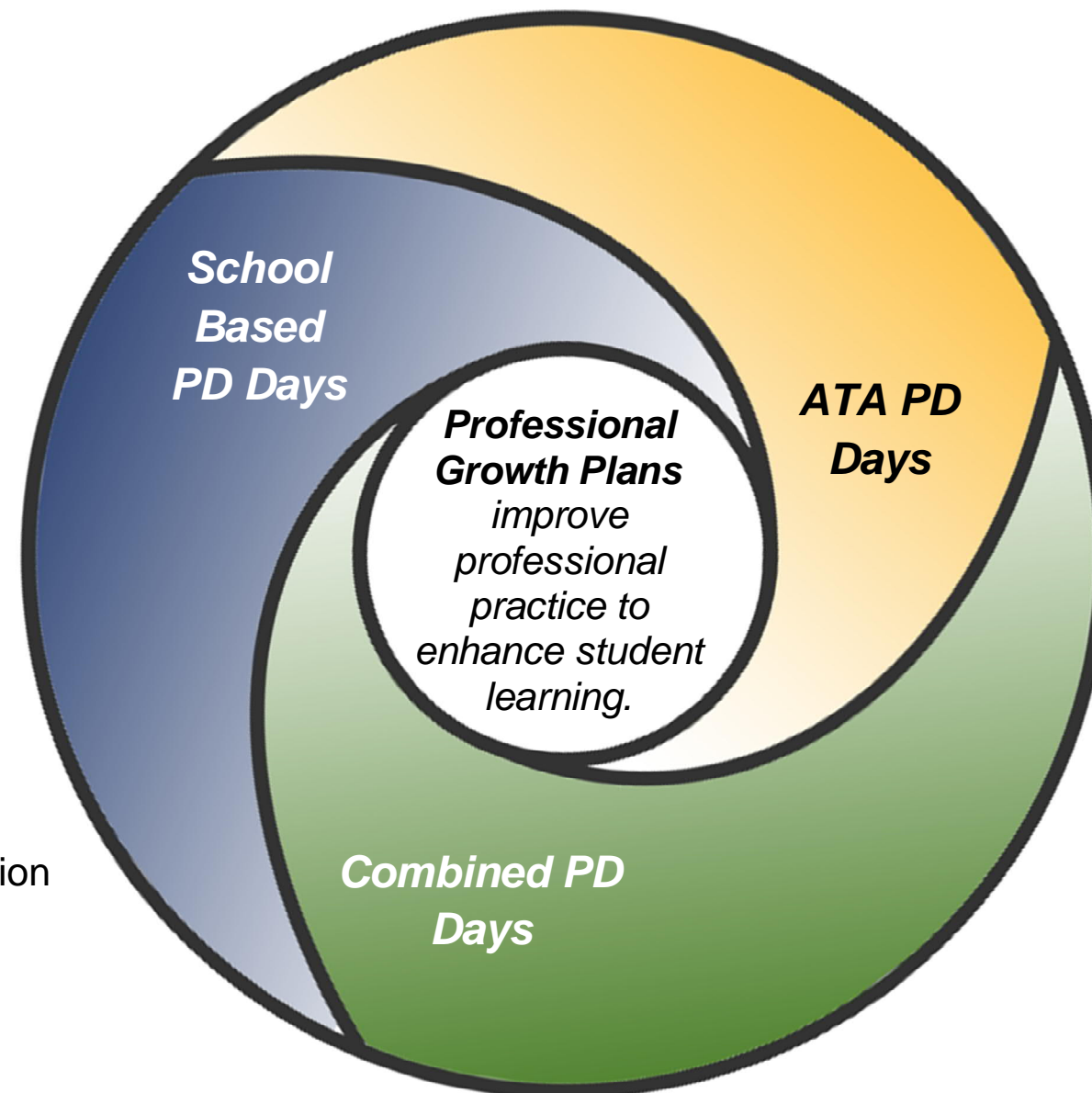
We believe professional development is the responsibility of the individual, school and division .

Professional development:

- responds to and reflects individual, school and district needs;
- supports both short and long term goals;
- includes on-going self-assessment and reflection;
- reflects commitment to continuous professional growth;
- provides opportunities for collaboration;
- improves practice to enhance student learning.

Funding sources:

- Black Gold Teacher Development Fund
- Black Gold Teachers' Local #8 PD Fund
- Black Gold Teachers' Local #8 Collaboration and PLC Fund
- Black Gold Short Term Professional Improvement Program
- ATA Educational Trust



Professional practice may improve as a result of a variety of the following:

- professional reading, dialogue, collaboration or networking;
- participation in curriculum development activities in-services, conferences or professional committees;
- technology enhanced learning;
- observation of professional practice;
- coaching and mentoring;
- post-secondary course work and/or training;
- inquiry and action research.

Considerations for professional development planning:

- Alberta Education plans and priorities
- Division plans and priorities
- School plans and priorities
- Community plans and priorities
- Individual professional development plans and priorities

For more information on PD Days and PD funding for this school year see <https://goo.gl/XBnixj>.

If you have questions about professional development, contact your ATA rep or your principal.