

LAUNCHING YOUR GRANT

FY26 School Improvement GLC Checkpoint #1

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SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT GRANTS TEAM

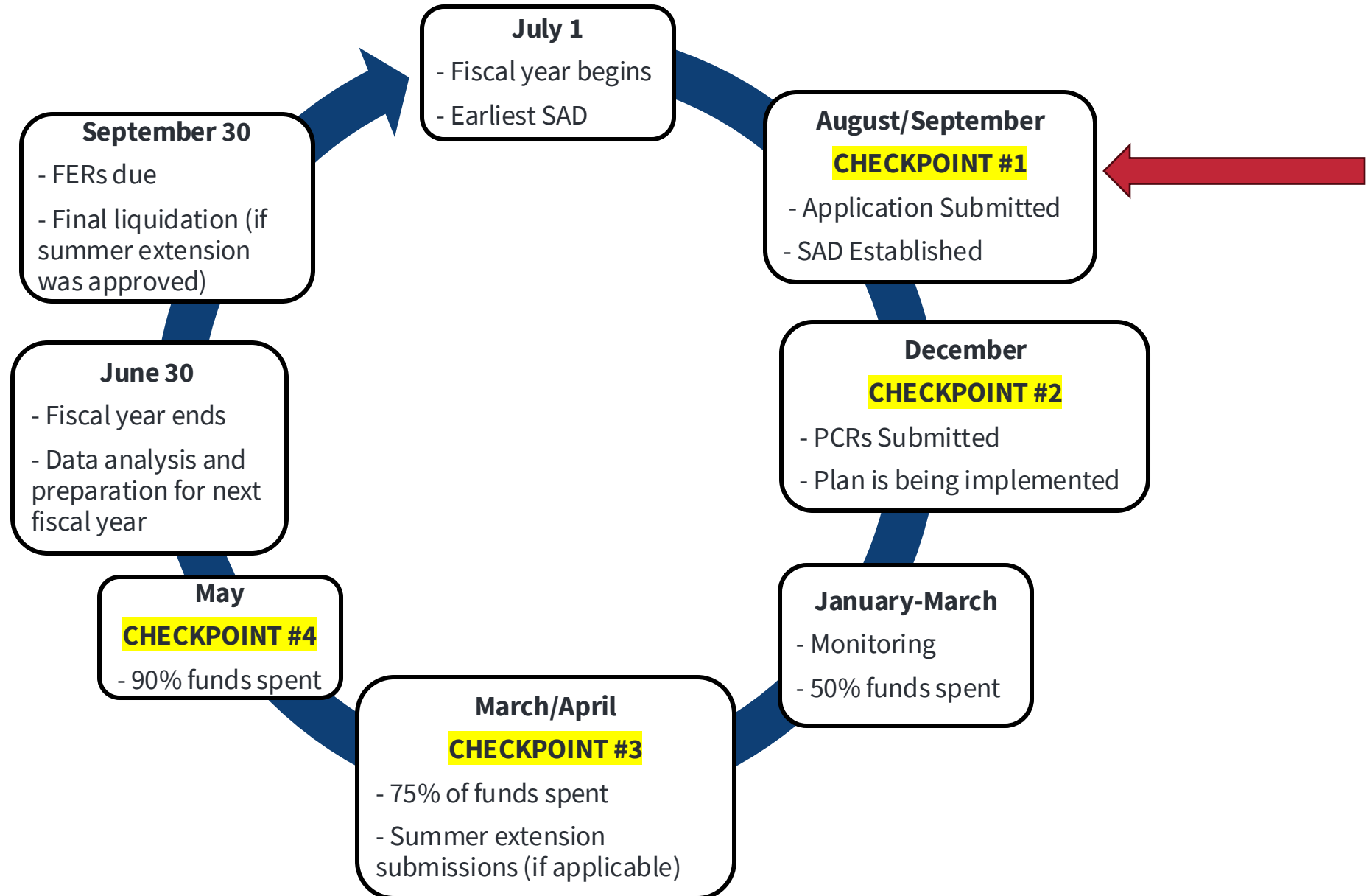
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AGENDA

1. PCR Submissions
2. Annual Grant Implementation
3. Year-to-Year Grant Implementation
4. Akron Public Schools Example
5. Springfield City Schools Example
6. Discussion and Q&A

SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT GRANT LIFE CYCLE



~75%

**OF GRANTEES
HAVE
SUBMITTED
THEIR
APPLICATION
WITHIN 30 DAYS**

UPDATE OEDS CONTACTS

- Friendly reminder to have your LEAs designated staff update OEDS with any new staff names and emails.
- Only an LEA can update their information in OEDS.
- The School Improvement Grant contacts are pulled from OEDS.

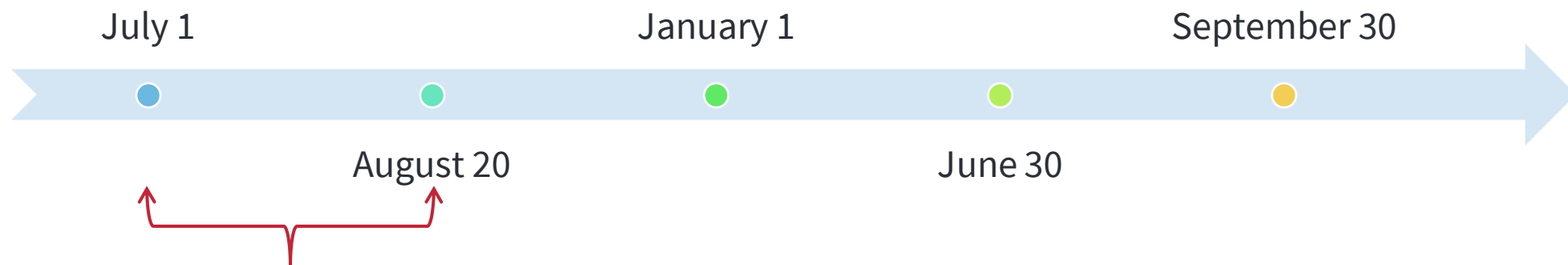
PROJECT CASH REQUEST (PCR) SUBMISSIONS

- The Department reviews PCR submission to determine grantee spending
- Grant fiscal management best practice to submit PCR quarterly
- LEAs may submit PCRs more often, i.e. monthly, when appropriate.

GRANT IMPLEMENTATION AND TIMELINE

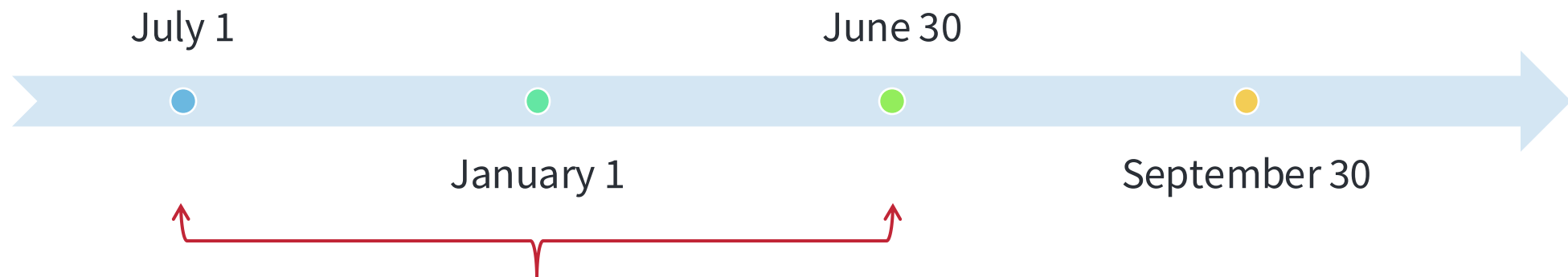
GRANT PLANNING AND PREPARATION

- Do positions need to be posted and filled **prior** to implementation?
- Do any supplies need to be purchased **prior** to implementation?
- Is any training or professional development required?
 - If yes, who needs to be trained?
 - When does training begin and end?



ACCOUNTABILITY FOR GRANT-FUNDED ACTIVITIES

- **Who** is responsible for implementation of the grant activities including progress monitoring?
- **Who** ensures the budget and implementation plan are aligned to building One Plan?
- **Who** is keeping Time and Effort logs if funding is used for position(s), where applicable?



QUESTIONS?

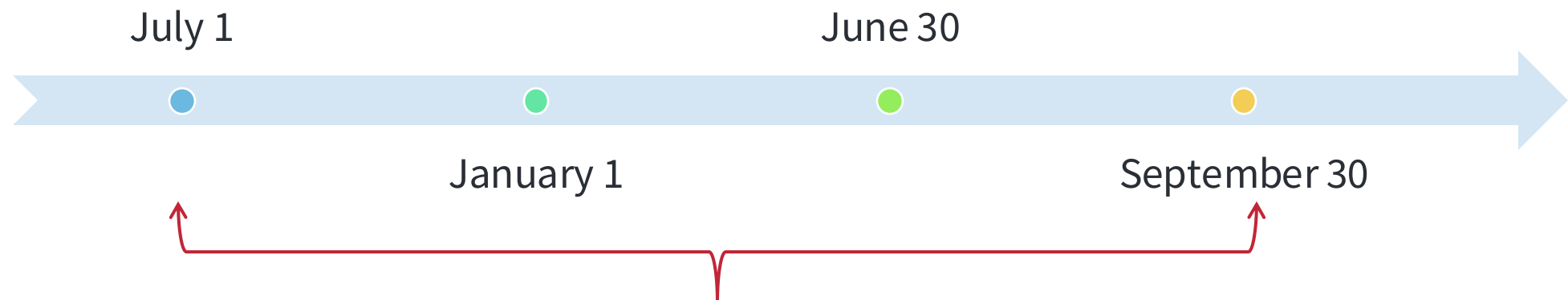
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GRANT IMPLEMENTATION TIMELINE

- **When** are grant funds obligated/encumbered and when PCRs are submitted?
- **When** and **how** formative data of student and adult measures are collected and analyzed?
- **Who** monitors grant implementation (e.g. Fiscal, Curricular, Administrative)?



PROGRESS MONITORING

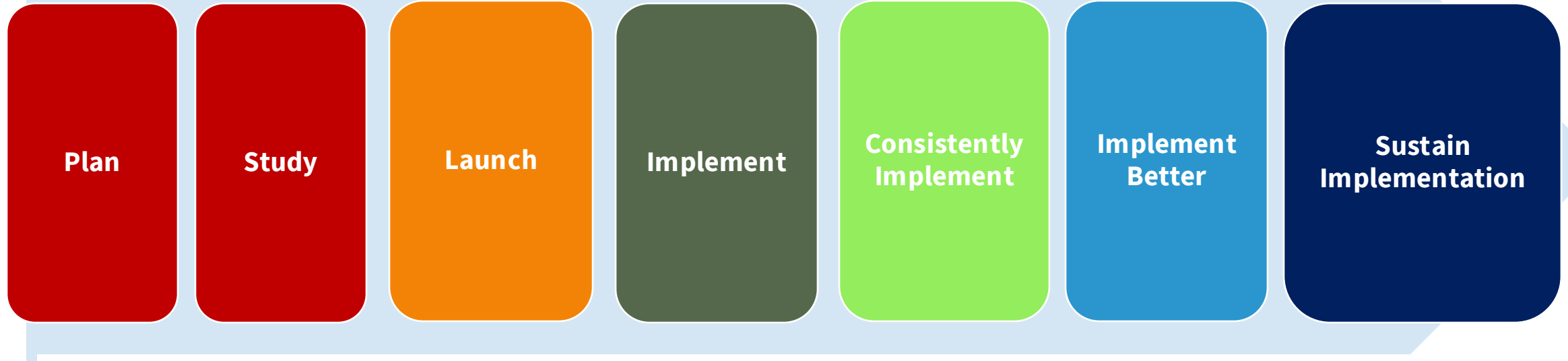
- Progress monitoring is embedded in your grant application in the Student and Adult Outcomes section of the TI NC SSI grant application and the Program Monitoring section of the EOEC grant application. The process **must** include **multiple data checkpoints** and **opportunities to revise implementation of grant-funded activities**.
- For example:
 - *Quarterly I-Ready data of Students with disabilities in 3-5th grade will be monitored in TBT meetings with an expected increase in performance of 5% by June 30, 2026.*
 - *Quarterly walkthroughs to monitor implementation of specific Science of Reading strategy in K-5 classrooms with 90% fidelity rate by June 30, 2026.*

YEAR-TO-YEAR IMPLEMENTATION PROGRESS





LIGHTBULB MOMENT - WATERFALL



Exploration & Adoption

**Program
Installation**

**Initial
Implementation**

**Full
Implementation**

Innovation

Sustainability



Year One



Year Two



Year Three

GRANTEE EXAMPLES – LEA MONITORING

1. Crissy Sims with Akron Public Schools
2. Pam Shay with Springfield City Schools

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. What is your level of comfort with grant planning, implementation and results?
2. What questions do you have specific to your LEA?
3. What aspect(s) of launching your grant do you need guidance?

CHECKPOINT #1 GRANTEE SURVEY

- [Checkpoint #1 Survey Link](#)

FY26 School Improvement Grants -
Checkpoint #1: Launching Your
Grant



FY26 WEBINAR SCHEDULE

- **FY26 TBD:** Thursday, October 16, at 1pm. Register [HERE](#).
- **FY26 TBD:** Thursday, November 20, at 1pm. Register [HERE](#).
- **FY26 TBD:** Thursday, December 18, at 1pm. Register [HERE](#).

RESOURCES

EOEC NC

1. [FY26 EOEC NC Guidance](#)
2. [Budget Grid Template](#)
3. [Application Checklist](#)

TI NC SSI

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NEW – [FY26 School Improvement Grants Implementation Guidance](#)

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Schedule a Virtual Meeting:

- [Schedule a meeting with Katharine and Dan](#) (TI NC SSI)
- [Schedule a meeting with Jackie](#) (EOEC NC)

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