

# The 7Cs

## *Southwestern Union Missional Outcomes*

You were introduced to our 7Cs at the SWUC Educator Convention in August. They further articulate the mission or purpose of Adventist education and are at the heart of our **Educational by Design Framework**. The outcomes also serve as a thread that weaves together the parts of our story as well as metrics for measuring whether the mission is being accomplished.

In particular, the 7Cs identify the overarching, student learning competencies that are necessary for success in this life as well as for eternity. Referring to the competencies as a "Portrait of a Graduate," McTighe and Curtis (2019) state that the outcomes should have the following characteristics:

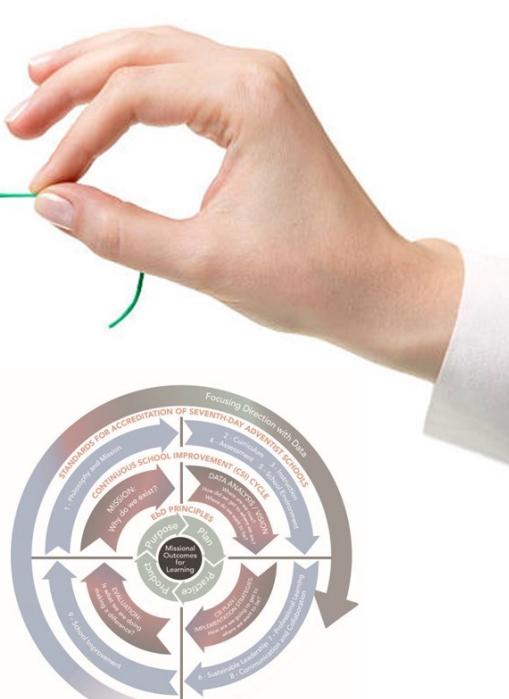
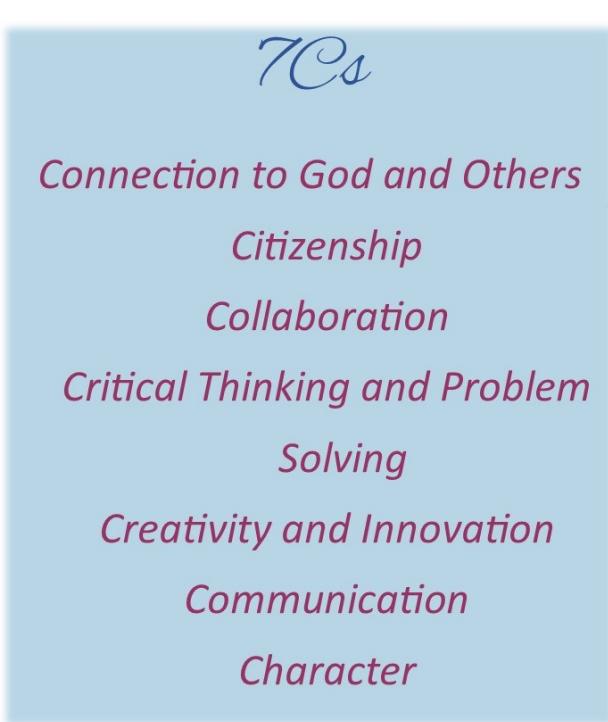
- They are long-term and transdisciplinary in nature.
- They are performance based and involve transfer to new situations.
- They call for autonomous or independent performance.
- They reflect the most important outcomes of schooling for a modern era.

Fullan (2021) refers to the outcomes as global or core competencies. The outcomes integrate learning and well-being, embedding them in a process of deep learning that involves developing, understanding, and using the outcomes.

A general recommendation that emerges from the work of these researchers is to map the 7Cs across the year, referencing one or two outcomes in each instructional unit at every grade level. You can assess students' proficiency in the competencies by referring to the rubrics you received at the convention.

### References

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- McTighe, J., & Curtis, G. (2019). *Leading modern learning: A blueprint for vision-driven schools*. Bloomington, IN: Solution Tree.



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## PURPOSE

**Teacher Recruitment —** Efforts are underway to address the teacher shortage. A SWUC Teacher Education Scholarship has been established to give tuition support to high school seniors planning to enter the teacher education program at SWAU.

In addition, SWAU is developing an Intro to Teaching dual credit course that should be ready for fall 2022.



## PLAN

**Use of Data —** Remember to begin your CSI planning with data—demographic, student learning (MAP), perception (survey), and program (evaluation of CSI goals) data. The 2021-2022 demographic data will be sent to each school either late December or early January. Useful tools can be found on the [SWUC Education website](#).

After data analysis, use your data to develop or review the school CSI Plan. Remember it needs to be board approved and reviewed annually.

## ADVENTIST ROBOTICS

**Robotics —** The robotics tournament for grades 4-8 is at Lone Star Camp on March 20, 2022. Visit [adventistrobotics.net](#) for more information.

**IT Support —** The SWUC IT Department is soliciting feedback regarding the IT needs of schools. Please email Mike Upson ([mupson@swuc.org](mailto:mupson@swuc.org)) with your feedback.



**BIG NEWS Zoom —** Zoom has volunteered to upgrade ALL current and future NAD Zoom licenses to Enterprise. This means that **ALL** of our regular user accounts are upgraded from the 300-participant limit to the max of 500, plus EACH OF US gets unlimited Webinars and unlimited Cloud storage, among all the other benefits of Enterprise! The **free** Webinar 100/500 will be a big win for many of our entities, and of course the unlimited cloud storage means you can record any and every meeting you want to, plus get all the features of transcription, language translation, etc. Also, Zoom is including their Pandemic era complementary K12 Zoom licenses at the end of this year.

## Britannica and Visual Thesaurus —

Encyclopedia Britannica and Visual Thesaurus are available for all students and educators to have licensed use to the visual thesaurus, encyclopedia, ebooks, and Image Quest. Each school has their own Britannica username/password. Schools who do not have Visual Thesaurus should email [Martha-Ban@nadadventist.org](mailto:Martha-Ban@nadadventist.org). Please see the links below for additional information.

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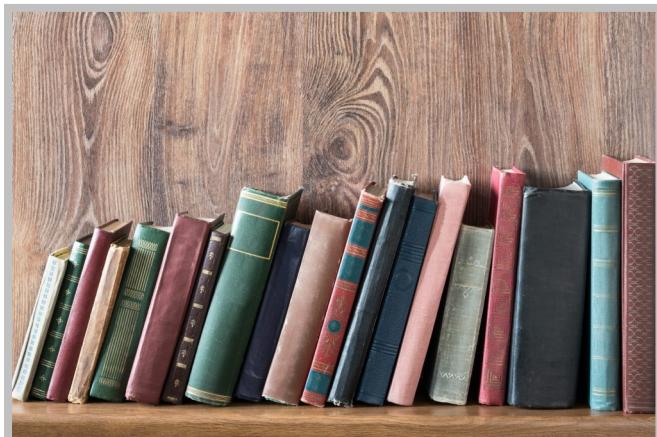
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### PRACTICE

**Professional Learning** — The SWUC is dedicated to providing professional learning focused on continuous school improvement for our principals and teachers. We have two ongoing professional learning series—[Standards-based Learning Webinar Series](#) and [Leadership Webinar Series](#). The webinars are always recorded so you can watch them on demand as your schedule permits. We encourage you to take advantage of these professional learning experiences as we strive for excellence in teaching and learning.



**A Virtual Book Club** is ongoing as well. The next meeting is scheduled for February 1 at 4 pm central. The title will be shared in the near future.

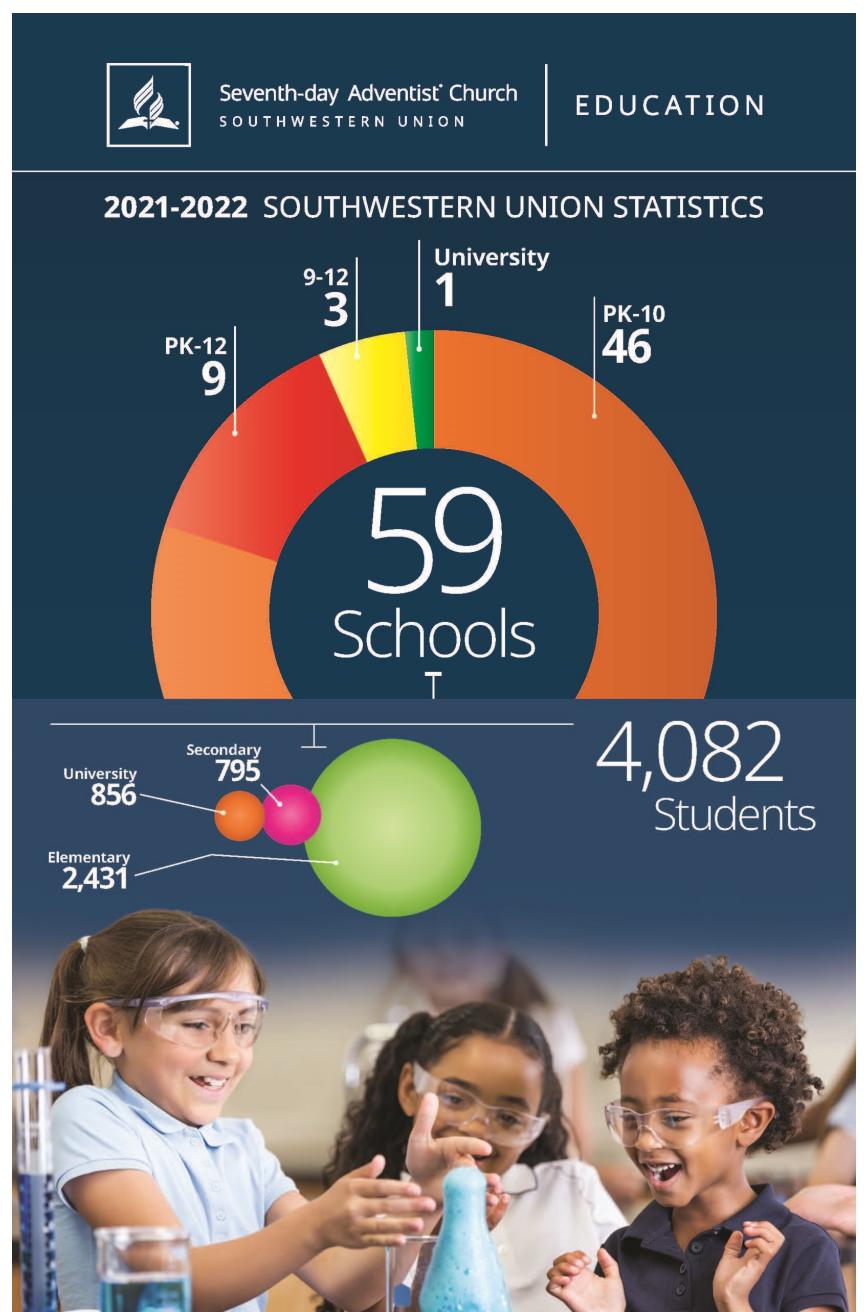


The [SWUC Nuts and Bolts Summer Institute](#) is at the SWUC Office on July 18-20, 2022. This institute will address the relationship of PLCs to Continuous School Improvement and Standards-based Learning. The SWUC Office of Education will cover the cost of hotel and meals while at the institute; conferences will cover the cost of travel and per diem if needed.

**A parent webinar series** is being planned for 2022-2023. Details will be available spring 2022.

### PRODUCT

**Data Cards** — The [SWUC 2021-2022 data card](#) and the [Senior Academy data card](#) are available. Please let us know if you would like paper copies.



[NAD data for 2021-2022](#) is available here.

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