**Course Outline**

*All assignments are due Sunday at midnight.*

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| Week | Topics | Assignments |
| Week 1  Aug. 21- Aug. 27 | Introductions  Syllabus  Course Overview  *Part I: Foundations of Decision Making in Schools*  Chapter 1: Problem-Solving and Decision Making in the Context of School Reform  Chapter 2: Decision-Making Behaviors | * Read Ch. 1-2 * Answer Week One DQ and respond to peers * Submit Text-Based Questions (TBQ) |
| Week 2  Aug. 28-Sept. 3 | Chapter 3: Decision Complexity, Models, and Action Theories  Chapter 4: Group Decision Making | * Read Ch. 3-4 * Answer Week Two DQ and respond to peers * Submit Text-Based Questions (TBQ) |
| Week 3  Sept. 4 – Sept. 10 | Review Chapters 1-4 | * Answer Week Three DQ and respond to peers.   **Quiz – Part I** |
| Week 4  Sept. 11- Sept.17 | Part II: Data-Based Decisions  Chapter 5: Understanding Data-Driven Decision Making  Chapter 6: Research to Drive Education Decision Making | * Read Ch. 5-6 * Answer Week Four DQ and respond to peers. * Submit Text-Based Questions (TBQ) |
| Week 5  Sept. 18 – Sept. 24 | Chapter 7: Collecting and Accessing Data | * Review Ch. 7 * Answer Week Five DQ and respond to peers. * Submit Text-Based Questions (TBQ) |
| Week 6  Sept. 25 – Oct. 1 | Chapter 8: Technology and Information Management | * Read Ch. 8 * Answer Week Six DQ and respond to peers. * Submit Text-Based Questions (TBQ) |
| Week 7  Oct. 2- Oct. 8 | Review Chapters 5-8 | **Quiz Part II** |
| Week 8  Oct. 19 – Oct.15 | Part III: Applying Data-Based Decisions  Chapter 9: Curriculum and Instruction | * Read Ch. 9 * Answer Week Eight DQ and respond to peers. * Submit Text-Based Questions (TBQ) |
| Week 9  Oct. 16 – Oct. 22 | Chapter 10: Effective School Improvement | * Read Ch. 10 * Answer Week Nine DQ and respond to peers. * Submit Text-Based Questions (TBQ) |
| Week 10  Oct. 23 – Oct. 29 | Chapter 11: Implementing and Monitoring Decisions | * Read Ch. 11 * Answer Week Ten DQ and respond to peers. * Submit Text-Based Questions (TBQ) |
| Week 11  Oct. 30 – Nov. 4 | Review Chapters 1-11 | **Position Paper Due**  **Final Exam** |