

# Professional Learning Communities: Digging In



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Introductions  
Raise your hand...

Celebrations  
Challenges

## Two Day Agenda

### Day 1

#### Overview of materials

#### Module 1:

- Introductions
- Outcomes
- Setting the Stage

#### Module 2:

- PLC's as a framework for change and transformation
- The Three Big Ideas

#### Module 3:

- Question 1: What do we want students to know and be able to do?
- A Guaranteed and Viable Curriculum

## Two Day Agenda

### Day 2

#### Module 4:

- Question 1 Continued
- Question 2: How will we know they have learned it?

#### Module 5:

- Question 3: What do we do if they haven't learned?
- Question 4: What do we do if they already know?

#### Module 6:

- Leadership & Change

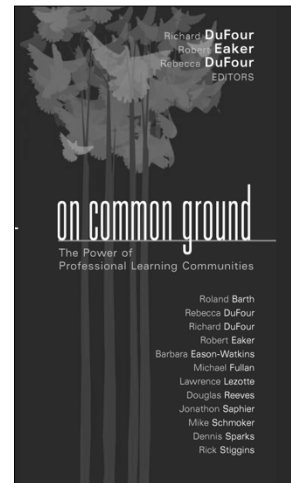
#### Module 7:

- Reflection and Action Planning

## Learning Together!

- Be open to new learning and new ideas.
- Participate and contribute both with your team and with the whole group.
- Set aside distractions
- Commit to taking action at the end of the session.
- Apply information to your current reality.
- Use the SWOB planning guide throughout our time together (pgs. 15-19 packet).

“Educators must develop a deeper, shared knowledge of learning community concepts and practices, and then must demonstrate the discipline to apply those concepts and practices in their own settings if their schools are to be transformed.”



—DuFour, Eaker, & DuFour (Eds.), *On Common Ground: The Power of Professional Learning Communities* (2005), pp. 9–10

## Module 1: Setting the Stage



Today, a child who graduates from school with a mastery of essential skills and knowledge is prepared to compete in the global marketplace, with numerous paths of opportunity available to lead a successful life. Yet, for students who fail in our educational system, the reality is that there are virtually no paths of opportunity.



“In 2012, about **one-third** of jobs in America were occupations that typically require postsecondary education for entry.”

-U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, *Education and Training Outlook for Occupations, 2012-2022* (2013)

“By 2020, **65 percent of all jobs** in the economy will require postsecondary education and training beyond high school.”

-Carnevale, Smith, & Strohl, *Recovery: Job Growth and Education Requirements Through 2020* (2013).

The ACT examined math and reading skills required for electricians, construction workers, upholsterers, and plumbers and concluded they match what is necessary to do well in first-year college courses.

(ACT, *Ready for College and Ready for Work: Same or Different?*, 2006)

Wages for careers that require higher levels of education and training will outpace nondegreed jobs, with the average college graduate earning 77 percent more than the typical high school graduate.

(U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, Occupational Projections and Training Data, 2008–09 Edition, 2008)

The likely pathway for student who struggle in school is an adult life of poverty, incarceration, and/or dependence on society's welfare systems.

### Our Mission...

To assure high levels of learning  
for all students!

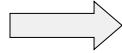
### The Harsh Reality Regarding Special Education

Little attention is paid by federal accountability systems to whether students in special education are advancing in core subjects or acquiring the skills necessary for making special education and accommodations no longer necessary.

Lyon et al. (2001). Rethinking Learning Disabilities. Washington DC: Thomas B. Fordham Foundation.

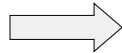
## Changing Times

State Learning  
Standards



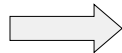
**Common Core  
Standards**

State Assessments



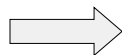
**PARRC / Smarter  
Balance / Aspire  
Assessments**

General to Special  
Education



**Response to Intervention**

Traditional grading and  
reporting practices



**Standards-Based  
grading and reporting  
practices**

## A Compelling Question

What *are* effective schools doing to achieve dramatic results in student learning? How are they focusing their work in changing times?



## Improving Schools

“Classrooms, schools, and school systems can and do improve, and the factors facilitating improvement are neither so exotic, unusual, or expensive that they are beyond the grasp of ordinary schools.”

Clark, Lotto, & Astuto, (1984). Effective Schools and School Improvement. *Educational Administration Quarterly*, 20(3), 59.

## Common Findings in Successful Schools

- Formed a professional learning community  
(Clarity around the 4 critical questions)
- Focused on student work (through assessment)
- Changed their *instructional practice* accordingly to get better results
- Did all of this on a continuing basis

**Source: Michael Fullan, *Phi Delta Kappan*, April 2000**

## Implementation of Professional Learning Communities

“The reason professional learning communities increase student learning is that they produce *more good teaching by more teachers* more of the time. Put simply, PLCs improve teaching, which improves student results, *especially for the least advantaged students.*”

Jonathon Saphier, 2005

## Impact of becoming a PLC in District 96?

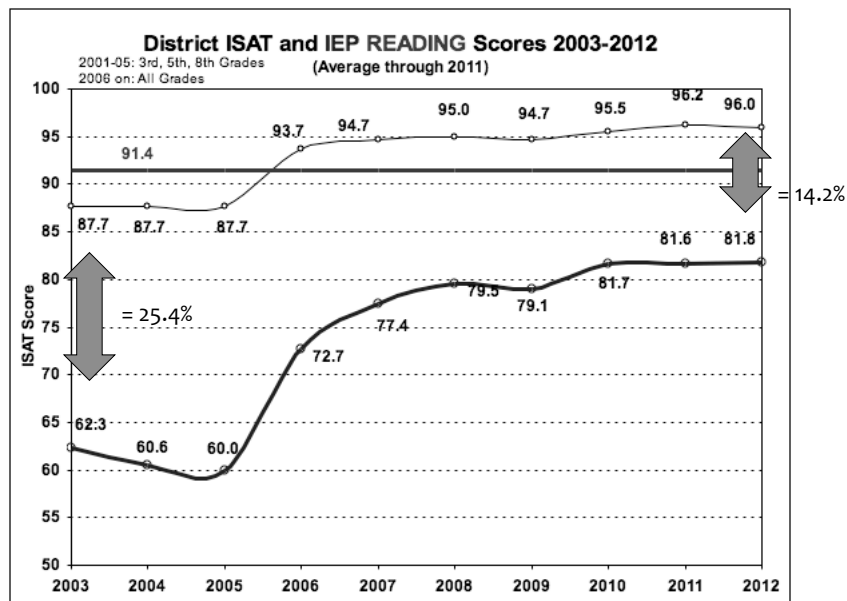


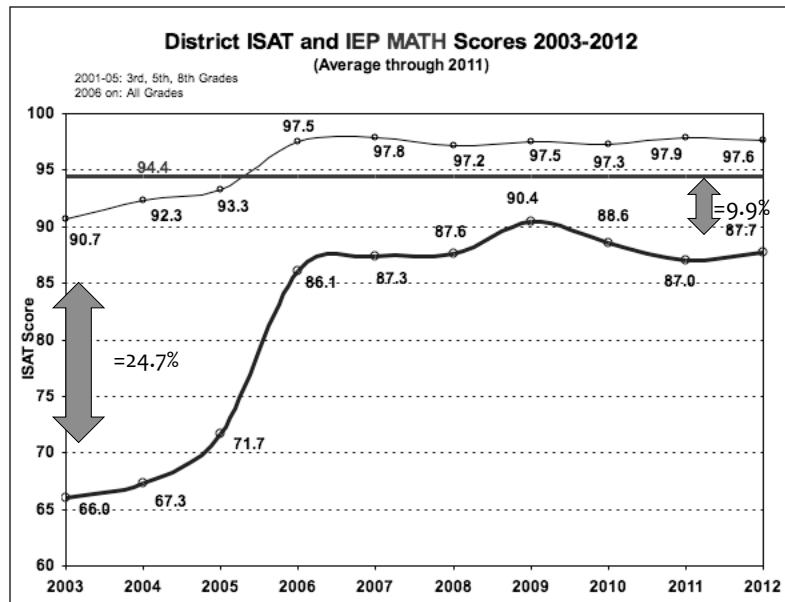
Our Journey through Data ...

Who do we benchmark against?

What does this look like?

Began in 2001





## All Kids Can Learn

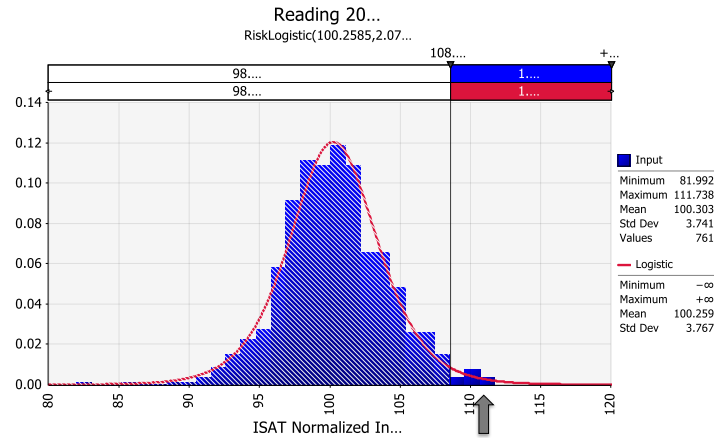
### Comparison of Performance for All Students and Students with IEPs

Category	ISAT Index		State Rank	
	All	IEP	All	IEP
Kildeer D96	108.1	101.5	9	6
State	100.0	89.9		

2013–2014 ISAT scale scores (ISBE)  
Tabulation by: Chaos Group, Inc.

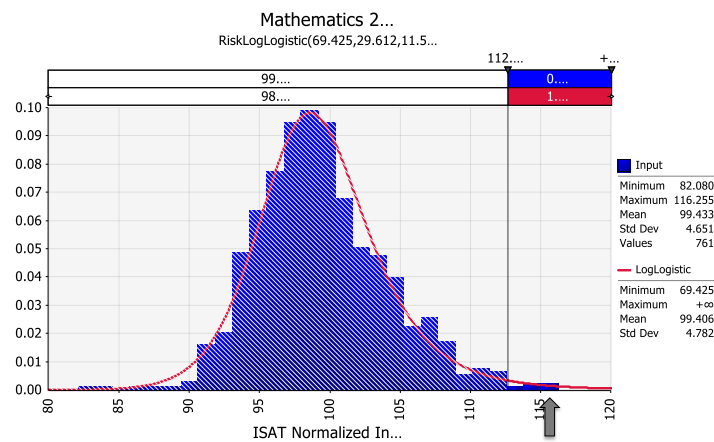


## Shift to PARCC: Reading At 98 Percentile



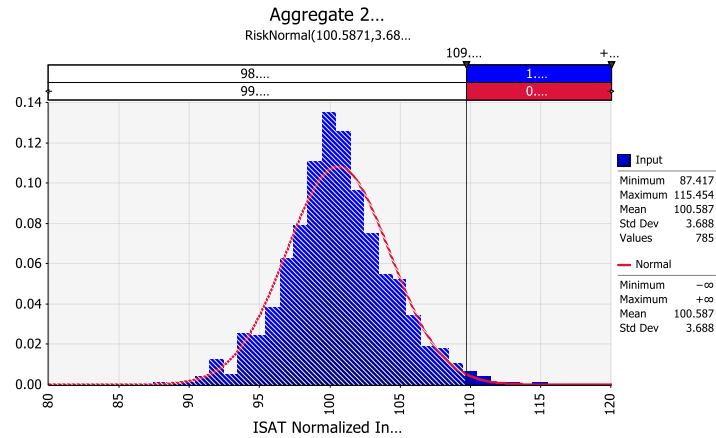
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## Shift to PARRC: Mathematics Above 99 Percentile



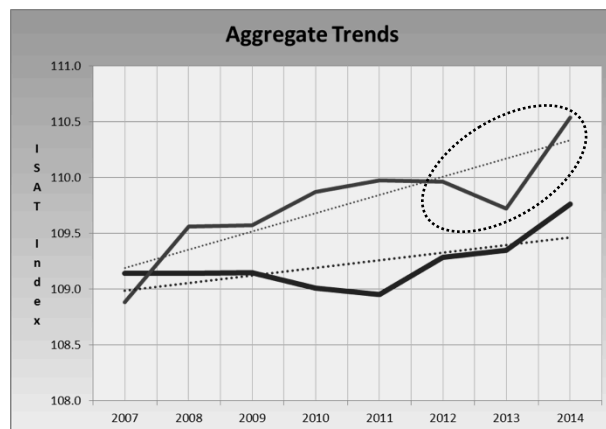
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## Shift to PARRC: Overall: Kildeer Ranks in the 99 Percentile



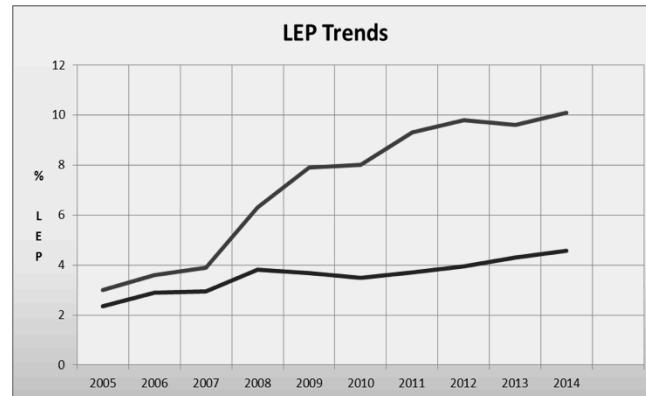
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## Overall Growth Trend and Performance Level Exceeds Benchmark



Source: 2014 ISBE Media database  
Tabulated by: Advantage Analytics, LLC

## Limited English Proficiency D96 Growth vs. Benchmark District Growth



District 96 has experienced 350% growth in LEP enrollment since 2007

## Model Demographics

- Low income
- Educational attainment of parents
- Limited English proficiency
- Attendance rate
- Parental involvement
- Mobility rate
- Number school days

StatTools Report

Analysis: Regression

Performed By: prubin

Date: January 11, 2015

Updating: Data

Variable: test01

Dependent Regression for test01

Summary

Multiple R	R-Square	Adjusted R-Square	Std. of Estimate
0.8590	0.7378	0.7367	2.036574297

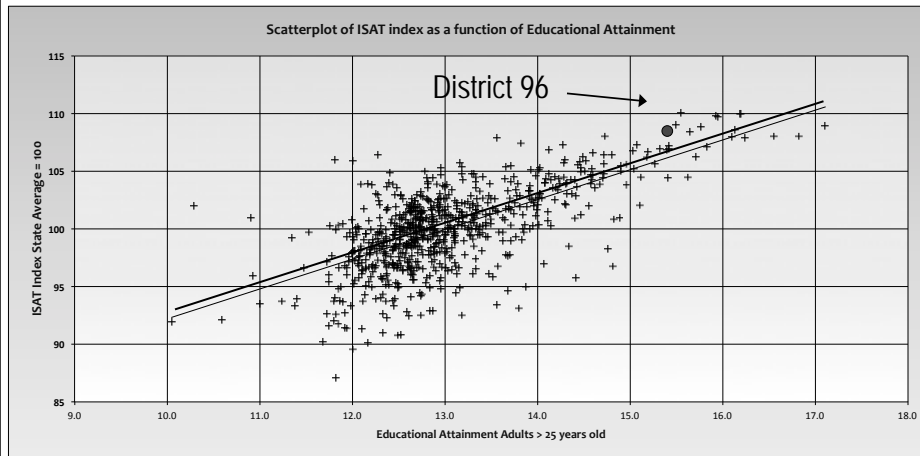
ANOVA Table

Degree of Freedom	Sum of Squares	Mean of Squares	F-Stats	p-value
Explained	18615.71656	2659.386652	641.3196	< 0.0001
Unexplained	1595	6215.477615	3.9034868	

Regression Table

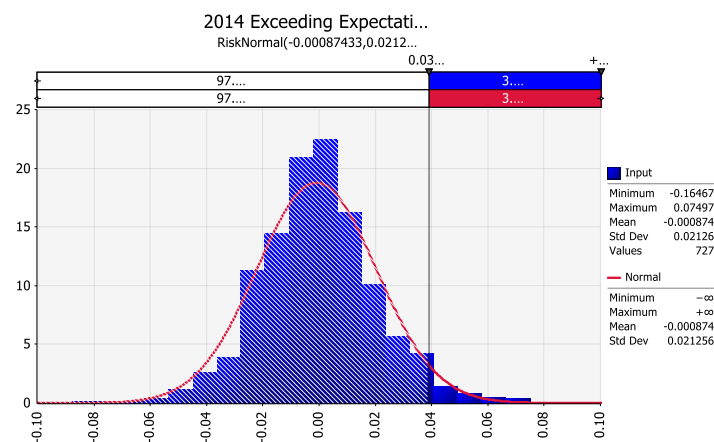
Coefficient	Standard Error	t-Value	p-Value	Confidence Interval 95%		
				Lower	Upper	
Constant	38.57172929	5.030210312	6.5043	< 0.0001	28.93990397	50.20355461
LOW INCOME DISTRICT %	-0.096291601	0.00400009	-24.0744	< 0.0001	-0.104145587	-0.088453615
SESSES	1.501036362	0.096599977	15.7078	< 0.0001	1.313600204	1.6884727
L.E.P. DISTRICT %	0.053053737	0.00722443	7.3457	< 0.0001	0.038887259	0.067220215
ATTENDANCE RATE DISTRICT %	0.421938176	0.05957645	7.0823	< 0.0001	0.305081807	0.538794549
PARENTAL INVOLVEMENT DISTRICT %	0.048781414	0.019538909	2.4965	0.0126	0.010455029	0.087107819
MOBILITY RATE DISTRICT %	-0.032504558	0.008928546	-3.6405	0.0003	-0.050017476	-0.014991639
TOTAL SCHOOL DAYS - DISTRICT	0.008477896	0.002617219	3.2393	0.0012	0.003344436	0.013611536

## Performance Exceeds Expectations Predicated on the Educational Attainment of Parents



Source: 2007/2008 ISAT scale scores (ISBE), 1990 US Census  
Tabulation by: Chaos Group, Inc.

## Kildeer Ranks in the 97 Percentile in Exceeding Expectations



## Impact of Becoming a PLC

Enrollment in advanced and honors level classes entering high school has increased from 28% to 71% since the 2002 school year.

## Put Your Heads Together



### At Your Table Barriers

Identify one thing that you believe is acting as a barrier to telling the same story regarding results for ALL of your students?

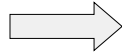
Which of those barriers do YOU CONTROL?

Do your results indicate equity concerns?

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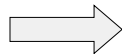
## Shift in the Work of Teachers

From isolation



To a focus on learning

From “collaboration  
lite” on matters  
unrelated to student  
achievement



To a fixation of what  
students learned

From an assumption  
that these are “my kids,  
those are your kids”



To an assumption that  
these are “our kids”

(DuFour, DuFour, Eaker, & Many,  
*Learning by Doing*, 2010, p. 250)



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## Culture, Beliefs, and Mindset MATTER

### Examining Your Current Beliefs

Mix, Pair, Share (Pg. 1)

#### **Process**

1. Participants: stand up and silently mix around the room.
2. Facilitator says, “Pair”.
3. Participants: pair up with the person closest to you and give a high five. If you don't have a partner, keep your hand up until you do.
4. Facilitator asks a question and gives “think time”.
5. Partners share using: Timed Pair Share

## **Examining The Current Beliefs In Your School / System**

Mix, Pair, Share

**All students can learn at high levels.**

- 1. We strongly believe this is true.**
- 2. We believe this is true.**
- 3. We believe this is true, but ...**
- 4. We are not sure we believe this is true.**
- 5. We do not believe this at all.**

## **Examining The Current Beliefs In Your School / System**

Mix, Pair, Share

**We must take collective ownership for ALL students in order for them to reach their potential.**

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## Put Your Heads Together At Your Table



### **Table Core Beliefs:**

All kids can learn to high levels.

We take collective responsibility for the  
learning of ALL students.

Share your responses.

What behaviors in your school / system  
support your responses?

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## PLC Overview / Review

### Let's Dig In...

## PLC Defined

Educators committed to working collaboratively in ongoing processes of collective inquiry and action research in order to achieve better results for the students they serve.

***PLC's operate under the assumption that the key to improved learning for students is continuous, job-embedded learning for all.***

## Put Your Heads Together



### Table

**Which pieces of this definition are currently deeply understood in your system?**

**Which pieces of this definition are not currently understood in your system?**

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## A PLC is NOT ...

- a program
- something you can purchase
- a meeting on Tuesdays

## “A Way of Being”

The work of PLCs should not be considered an add-on, a meeting, or a program.

*We don't need or want any more unnecessary add-ons, programs, or meetings in our already busy school days.*

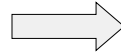
Deciding to do the work of PLCs is not a quick fix, a program, a meeting, or a silver bullet that will cure all educational ills.

The PLC concept is not linear and it is messy, but when done in a collaboratively focused manner around the right things, it is immensely rewarding.

~Brian Butler, PLC associate

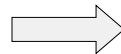
## Culture Shifts

My job is to teach



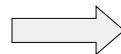
My job is to make  
sure students learn

These are *my*  
students



These are *our*  
students

I have good  
intentions



We need to have  
good results and  
respond when our  
data indicates  
areas of need

## Can we all agree that...

- We must focus on making sure that children LEARN
- No one person can meet the needs of every single child
- Hoping children learn is NOT a strategy that's good enough

**If our mission is high levels of  
learning for all students,  
the question is:**

***Is it possible?***

“There are simple, proven, affordable  
structures that exist right now and could  
have a dramatic, widespread impact on  
schools and achievement—in virtually any  
school. An astonishing level of agreement  
has emerged on this point”

--Mike Schmoker, 2004

## Schools Do Make a Difference

Effective Schools Research of Ron Edmonds, Larry Lezotte, Wilbur Brookover, Michael Rutter, and others concluded that:

- All Children Can Learn
- Schools control the factors to assure that students master the core of the curriculum

## Schools Do Make a Difference

An analysis of research conducted over a thirty-five year period demonstrates that schools that are highly effective produce results that almost entirely overcome the effects of student backgrounds

Robert Marzano, *What Works in Schools*, 2003

Schools **Do** Make a Difference

90/90/90 Schools

--Doug Reeves

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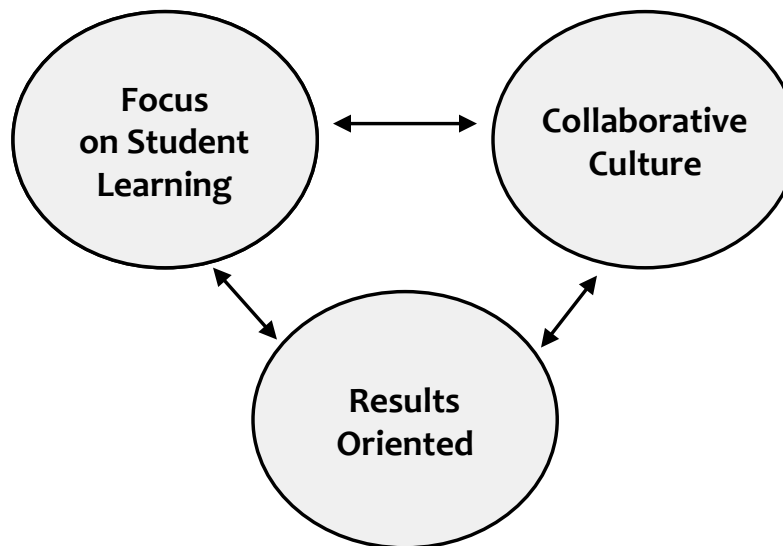
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Reflect on the strengths,  
weaknesses, opportunities, and  
barriers around culture and  
beliefs

## Module 2 : The Three Big Ideas

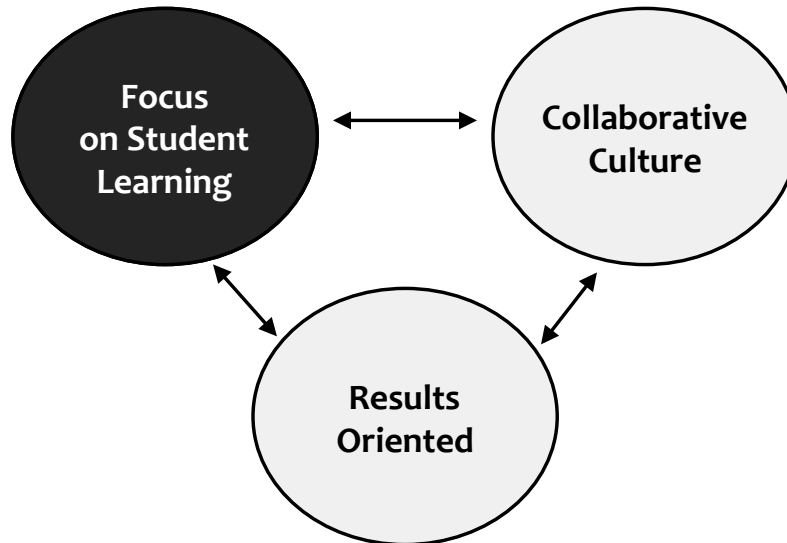


### Key Concepts of a PLC





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## Professional Learning Community

### Critical Questions We Must Answer

1. What should all students know and be able to do?
2. How do we know if they know it?
3. How do we respond if they AREN' T learning?
4. How do we respond if they ALREADY have learned it?

**We make  
“learning” rather than  
“teaching” the fundamental  
purpose  
of our schools.**

**Results  
Oriented**

**Until it's been learned,  
it hasn't been taught**

**Culture**

**Results  
Oriented**

## A Focus on Learning:

- Clear and compelling vision.
- Commitment to the learning of each student.
- Clarify exactly what students must learn.
- Monitor learning on a timely basis.
- CFAs and DBAs
- Provide systematic interventions.
- Extend and enrich learning for students.
- Professionals have job embedded learning as part of routine

### Teaching

*(Can be)*

- Neat
- Orderly
- Sequential
- Managed
- Documented

### Learning

*(Often is)*

- Messy
- Spontaneous
- Irregular
- Non Linear
- Complex

## Examples of a focus on teaching...

### Put Your Heads Together

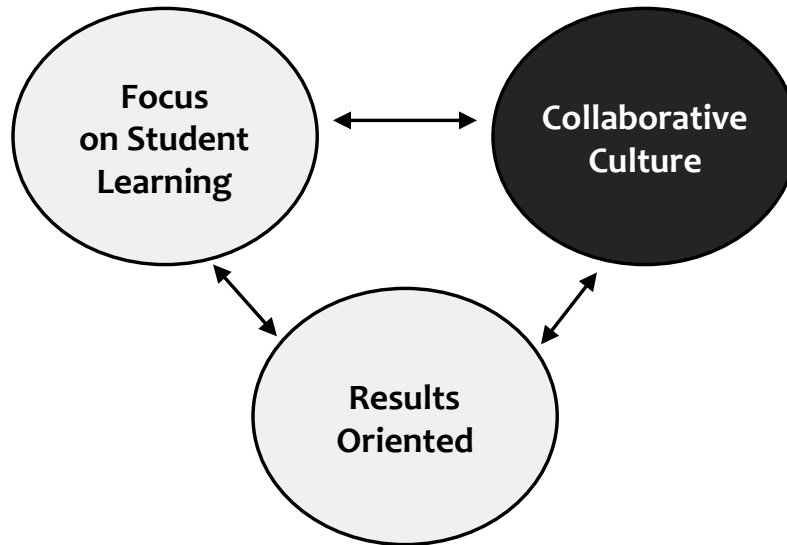


**Partner Share then  
Table Share**

**Identify a current policy, practice, or procedure in your system that points to a focus on TEACHING rather than on LEARNING. Identify evidence of a focus on LEARNING.**

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## Key Concepts of a PLC



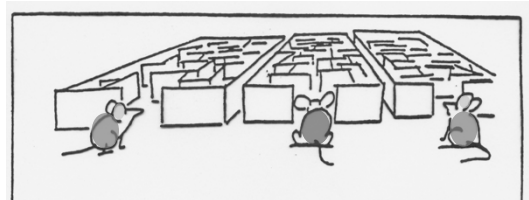
**“The best schools we visited were tightly aligned communities marked by a palpable sense of common purpose and shared identity among staff - a clear sense of “we”. By contrast, struggling schools feel fractured; there is a sense that people work in the same school but not toward the same goals.”**

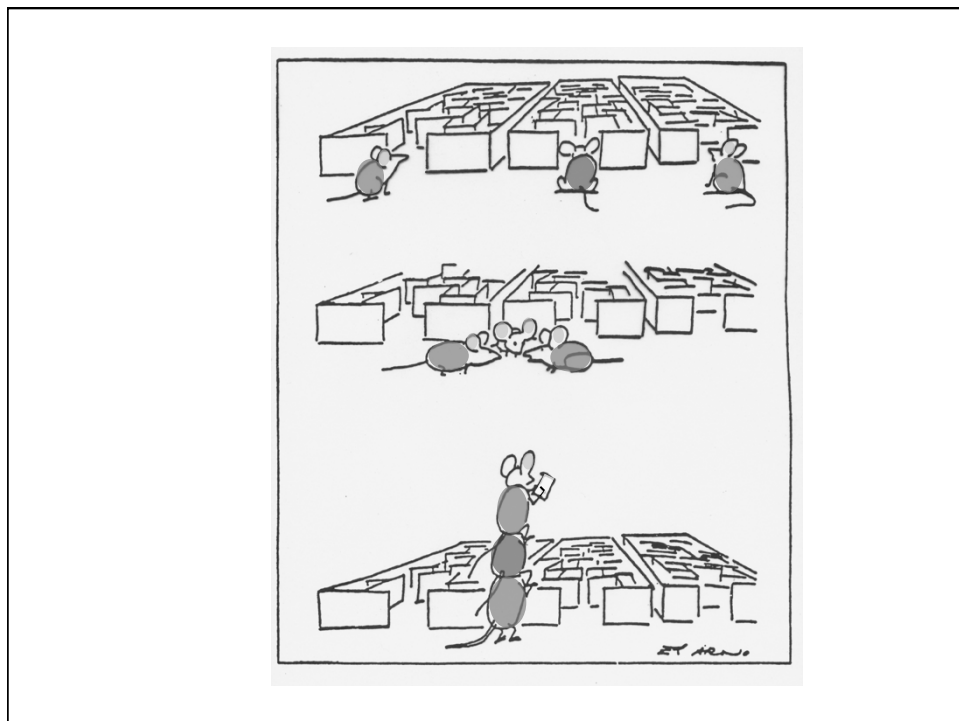
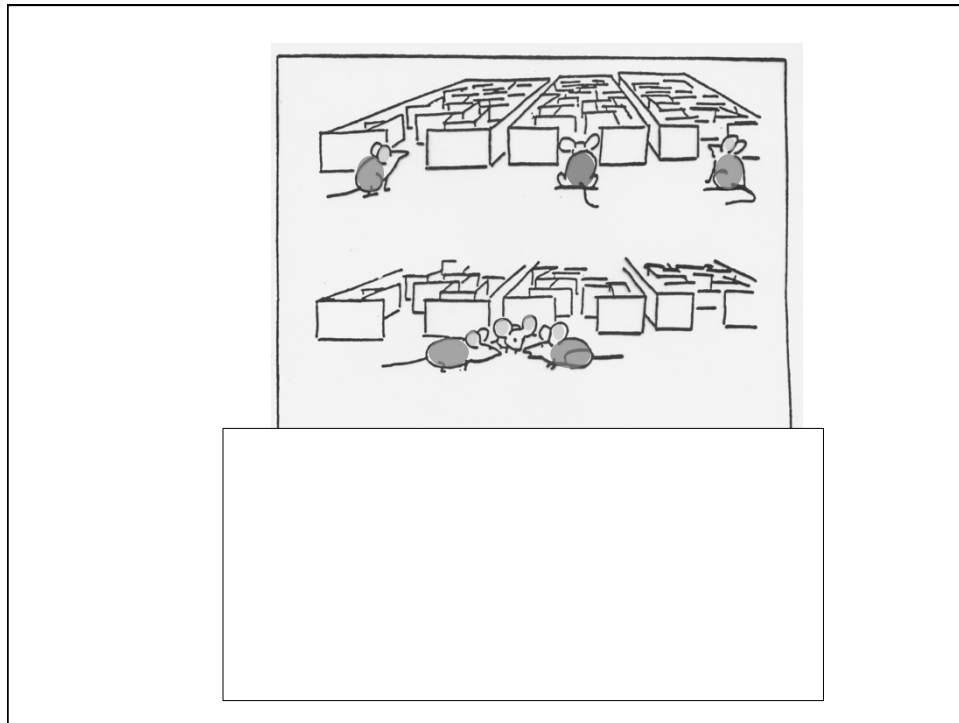
**T. Lickona & M. Davidson, (2005), p. 65**

## School or District is the PLC



Collaborative Teams are  
the building blocks





## The Power of Collaboration

### *Teacher collaboration in strong PLC's...*

- improves the quality and **equity** of student learning
- promotes discussions that are grounded in evidence and analysis rather than opinion
- fosters collective responsibility for student success.

McLaughlin & Talbert, 2006

Interdependence are what  
organizations are all about.

Productivity, performance and  
innovation result from joint action,  
not just individual efforts and  
behavior.

Focus on  
Student  
Learning

Results  
Oriented  
Pfeffer & Sutton, 2000



## What Characteristics Make A Team High Performing?

- Work within time limits
- Share limited resources
- Utilize experts
- Use data to guide decisions
- Argue AND Listen
- Make a plan and work together to get it done
- Failure is not an option

## From the Research:

There is broad, even remarkable, concurrence among members of the research community on the effects of carefully structured learning teams on the improvement of instruction.

*Mike Schmoker, Tipping Point: From Feckless Reform to Substantive Instructional Improvement, PDK, 2004, p.430*

“The fact that teachers collaborate will do nothing to improve a school. The purpose of collaboration can only be accomplished if the professionals engaged in collaboration *are focused on the right things.*”

DuFour et.al, LBD, p.91

### ***What are the Right Things? Back to a Focus on Learning***

- ➔ Clarify essential outcomes by grade or course.
- ➔ Develop common assessments
- ➔ Establish targets/benchmarks
- ➔ Analyze results
- ➔ Plan for instruction and improvement strategies
- ➔ Discuss student learning needs

## What Do We Collaborate About?

1. **What do we want our students to learn?** (essential, guaranteed, and viable curriculum)
2. **How will we know they are learning?** (frequent, team-developed, common formative assessments)
3. **How will we respond when they don't learn?** (timely, directive, systematic intervention)
4. **How will we respond when they do learn?** (timely enrichment and extension)

## Team Structures

What structures do we need in order to get the work done?  
What works for your system?

**Table 2.1: Potential Elementary Teams**

	<b>Grade-Level Team</b>	<b>Leadership Team (Building-Level Team)</b>	<b>Problem-Solving and Intervention Team (Building-Level Team)</b>	<b>Job-Alike, Cross-School Team</b>
<b>Who</b>	All teachers within the same grade level within the school	Team leader from each grade-level team to include specials, intervention team, and so on	Principal, related-services personnel, English learner or representative, teacher representative, special education teachers	A teacher representative from each grade-level team to each content area
<b>Focus</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Students (celebration and problem solving)</li> <li>Planning</li> <li>Common assessments</li> <li>Data analysis</li> <li>Instructional design and planning</li> <li>Intervention design</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Building-level problem solving</li> <li>Implementation of district and school initiatives and goals</li> <li>Team-level communication</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>RTI implementation</li> <li>Problem-solving process</li> <li>Progress monitoring</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Power standards</li> <li>Pacing guides</li> <li>Benchmark assessments</li> <li>Materials selection</li> <li>Instructional design and planning</li> <li>Data analysis</li> </ul>
<b>Frequency</b>	Twice per week during common plan time	Once per week	Once per week	Monthly

## Does ALL Really Mean All?



**Table 2.6: Potential Secondary Teams**

	<b>Cross-Curricular Team</b>	<b>Content-Alike Team</b>	<b>Job-Alike, Cross-School Team</b>
<b>Who</b>	All content-area teachers working with same team of students (middle school model or school within a school model)	All teachers of the same content across teams within the building	All teachers of the same content across the district or across multiple schools
<b>Focus</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Students (celebration and problem solving)</li> <li>Planning (logistics, cross content skills-based connections)</li> <li>Skills across content areas</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Common assessments</li> <li>Data analysis</li> <li>Instructional design and planning</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Power standards</li> <li>Pacing guides</li> <li>Benchmark assessments</li> <li>Materials selection</li> <li>Instructional design and planning</li> <li>Data analysis</li> </ul>
<b>Frequency</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Twice per week during common planning time in middle school</li> <li>Less frequently as high school skills-based teams</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>One to two times per week during common planning time</li> <li>During staff meetings</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Monthly</li> </ul>

## District-Level Teams

### Board of Education

**Who:** Seven publicly elected members

**Focus:**

- Fiscal allocation and responsibility aligned to goals
- District goal adoption
- Policy adoption
- Monitoring of outcomes

**Frequency:**

- Twice per month

### Cabinet Team

All district-level administrators

**Focus:**

- District-level problem solving
- Implementing district adopted goals
- Developing board and administrative council agendas

**Frequency:**

- Once per week

### Administrative Council

All building and district-level administrators

- Professional development
- Developing and implementing goals
- Monitoring district data
- Overall district leadership

**Frequency:**

### District-Level Committees

**Who:** Combination of administrators and teacher and staff leaders

**Examples:**

- Professional learning team
- Standards-based reporting
- Teacher evaluation
- Social-emotional learning

## Put Your Heads Together Table Talk

### Team Structures

1. What is your current reality with team structures?
2. Do teams have designated time to meet? Is this a “tight”?
3. Is there clarity regarding what, exactly, teams should be working on during designated time?
4. Do special educators meet with general education teachers to discuss student learning?

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## Tools to Help Teams



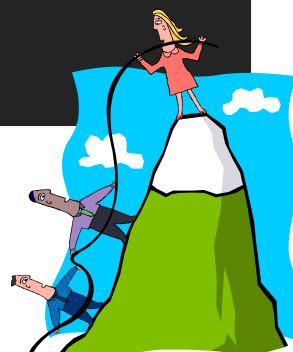
**Focus on the Right Things**

## Team Tools that Support Collaboration in a PLC

- Teams agree to Norms
- Outcome-driven Agendas
- Minutes for clarity and communication
- SMART goals developed to improve student achievement
- Data protocols that are meaningful

## NORMS

The standards of behaviors by which we agree to operate while we are in this group.



## What are norms?

- Norms are defined as, “The mutually agreed upon standards of behavior.”
- Norms usually involve communication, consensus, conflict, and respect.
- Social norms, norms of collaboration, societal norms, and educational norms are examples.



## Why are norms important?

- Sociologists believe that it is upon norms that societies are built.
- It is also true that it is upon norms that teams are built.
- Norms help to alleviate roadblocks to communication and collaboration
- See packet for Norms resources





## Team Tools that Support Collaboration in a PLC

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## Key Elements of an Agenda

- **Purpose**
- Item: Brief description
- **Non-purpose**
- Members Involvement: (I) Information, (D) Discussion, (A) Action
- Facilitator
- Time Allotted
- Desired Outcome

**Group Name:** Second Grade Team **Members:** Lauren, Lori, Ana, Monica, Ariana,  
**Date:** Thursday, April, 14 2011 **Time:** 8:30-9:30 am **Location:** Country Meadows School, Room 204  
**Next Meeting:** Thursday, April 19 8:30-9:30  
**Meeting Purpose:** To plan collaboratively as a team.

Item	*I/D/A	Facilitator	Time	Desired Outcome
1. Celebrations	I	All	8:30	Share positive happenings!
2. Curriculum planning	I/D/A	All	8:40	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Review curriculum plans for next week.</li> <li>Look at country research project things and share materials with Ana.</li> <li>Go over things from Leadership notes.</li> <li>Check in with how goal tracking is going.</li> </ul>
3. Wrap up	D/A	All	9:25	Review what we discussed and discuss future agenda items.

\*I: Information, D: Discussion, A: Action/Decision Point

**Meeting Adjourns at: 9:30**

#### Second Grade Team Norms

We will be active listeners (no sidebar conversations)  
 All members of the team will participate.  
 We will be tough on ideas, gentle on people.  
 We will be on time and start meetings on time.  
 All ideas will be welcomed and heard.  
 We will come prepared and ready to work.

## Team Minutes Excerpts

### Curriculum Plans (Grade 2)

“We paced out our unit-9 math and looked at where the targets will fall. We made a plan to do a mini-intervention next Wednesday and then use math lab times for another target that would not have been covered and CFAed by that time.”

### Data and SMART Goal Follow Up (Grade 1)

- Celebrate results!
- In September, 46% were reading below grade level.
- In February, 20.5% are below (13% are just one letter below!).
- In September, 11% were already at or above our goal of reading level 1.
- In February, 36 % are at level 1 or above (10% are at level H).

### Agenda and Minutes (Excerpts)

Tuesday, January 8, 2013

**Agenda:**

Collaborative Protocols Discussion / Action

Cycle 3 Benchmark Discussion

Cycle 4 Targets and Planning

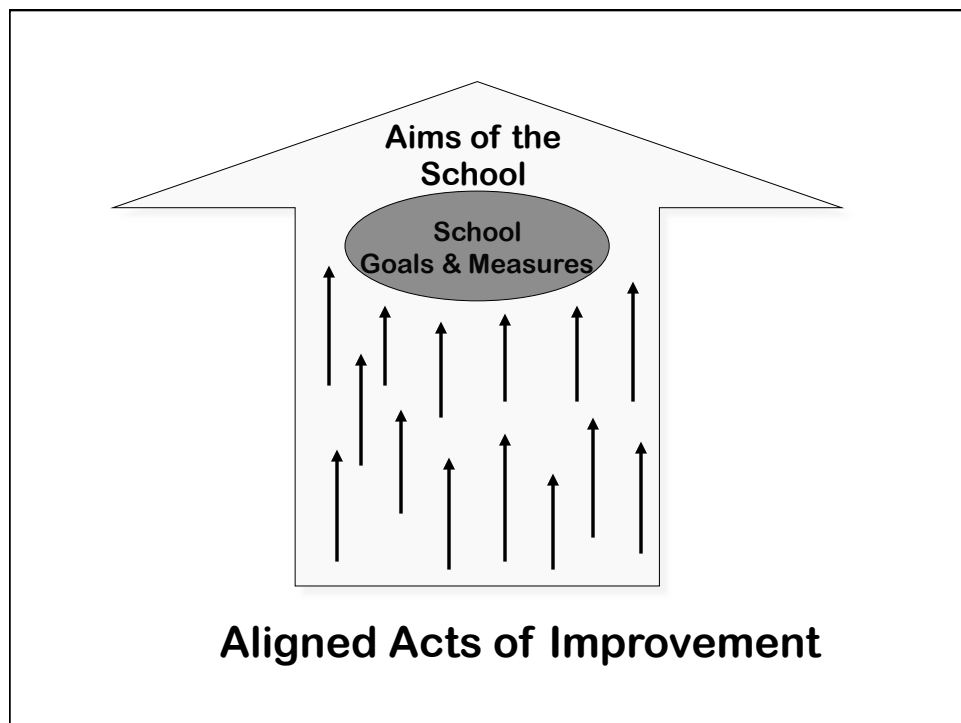
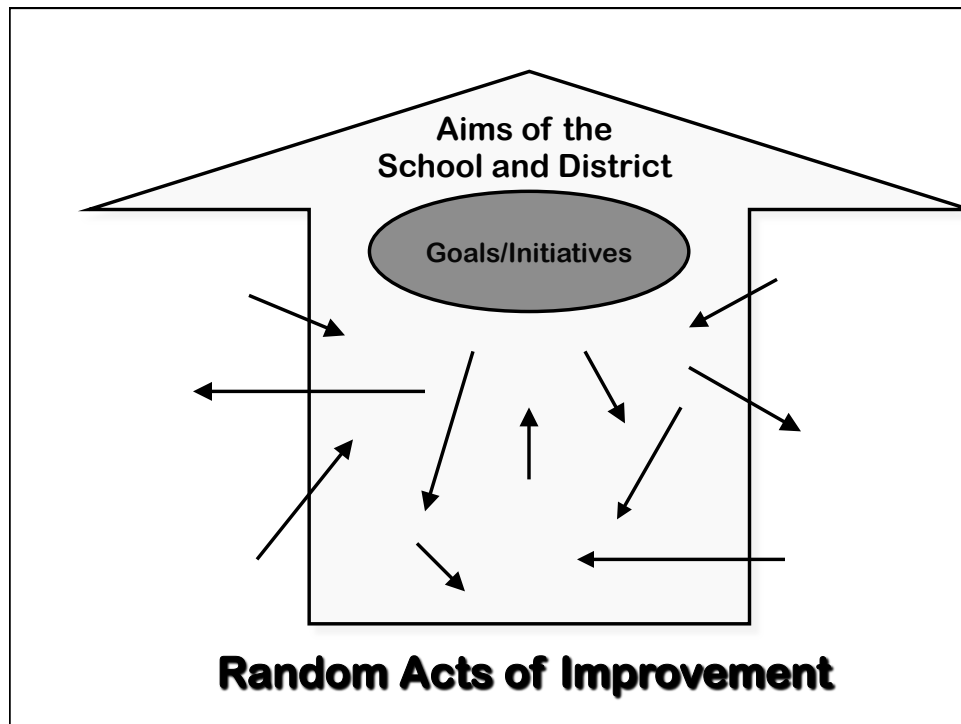
**Outcomes:**

- Cycle 4 Targets and Planning:

- Concern: We are doing the exact same targets as last cycle (only difference is making their own inferences instead of us giving it to them) and kids already took a benchmark on them. Some kids are “done” and burned out on them, while others mastered these targets long ago. Not sure why we made this decision... will revisit for next year.
- Solution: Let’s look for FUN ways to assess their learning . Erica has an idea for something called a “tableau” where kids come up and present something and we assess that or the graphic organizer they used. She will share with us. Or... instead of giving a reading quiz, give a summary of a chapter and have kids write what happened in the chapter that in NOT in the summary. Understand your take on this. Agree with finding engaging and different ways to assess. Also, don’t forget that you have 4.0 targets that can be used when kids are ready. At JAL on 1/22 we will have the chance to look back and forward to shift things around now that we know more about what new targets mean. If I were you, I would be looking at using graphic organizers as ways kids can share their thinking!

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“Goals and the commitment they generate are the glue that holds teams together.”

Schmoker. (1999). *Results: The Key to Continuous School Improvement*, p. 24

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<b>Assessment Data Team Protocol – 6<sup>th</sup> Grade</b> Level: _____ Assessment: _____	
<div style="text-align: center; border-bottom: 1px solid black; margin-bottom: 10px;"> <b><u>The Assessment Overall: Thoughts and Considerations</u></b> </div> <div style="margin-bottom: 10px;">           1. What worked well?         </div> <div>           2. What changes need to be made (if any)?         </div>	
<div style="text-align: center; border-bottom: 1px solid black; margin-bottom: 10px;"> <b><u>Student Achievement</u></b> </div> <div style="margin-bottom: 10px;">           1. As a team, on which learning targets did most/all students show mastery? Celebrate!!         </div> <div style="margin-bottom: 10px;">           2. As a team, which learning target(s) did the least number of students show mastery?         </div> <div style="margin-bottom: 10px;">           3. As a team, which students did not master which targets?         </div> <div>           4. Is any additional support needed? If so, what?         </div>	
<div style="text-align: center; border-bottom: 1px solid black; margin-bottom: 10px;"> <b><u>Plan for Action</u></b> </div> <div>           As a team, what will we do for the students who did not master the targets? (AI, ASAP, after school, etc.)         </div>	

## Thoughts for Teams

(Use tools chart in handout)

1. **As teams, which of these tools are currently utilized in your system?**
2. **Are the tools used well?**
3. **What are the benefits of the tool?**
4. **Potential next steps.**



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## Most Frequently Identified Barrier...

# TIME

## Creating a Collaborative Culture... Solutions From the Literature

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**Provide common preparation time.**

**Use parallel scheduling.**

**Adjust start and end times.**

**Share classes.**

**Schedule group activities, events, and testing.**

**Bank time.**

**Use in-service and faculty meeting time wisely.**

## ***How?***

## Solutions From Experience

### Assemblies

Master Schedule to the elementary level

Schedule = HUGE! Make sure teams have collaborative time

Invite specialists to team meetings

Release Time

Use Staff Meetings

## How?

Country Meadows  
Specials Schedule 2010-2011

	Grade 1	Grade 2	Grade 3	Grade 4	Grade 5
7:45-8:25					
8:25-8:30					
8:30-8:45	INTER.		Sci/SS		
8:45-9:00	8:30-9:00				
9:00-9:15		SPECIALS			
9:15-9:30					
9:30-9:45				INTER.	
9:45-10:00				9:30-10:00	
10:00-10:15		Sci/SS	SPECIALS		
10:15-10:30					
10:30-10:45					INTER.
10:45-11:00		MATH			10:30-11:00
11:00-11:15	Sci/SS	10:30-11:30		SPECIALS	Recess
11:15-11:30					11:00-11:40
11:30-11:45	Recess	Recess	MATH		Eat
11:45-12:00	11:30-12:10		11:30-12:10		
12:00-12:15	Eat	Eat			
12:15-12:30			Recess	Recess	SPECIALS
12:30-12:45	MATH		12:10-12:50	12:10-12:50	
12:45-1:00	12:15-1:15		Eat	Eat	
1:00-1:15			INTER.		
1:15-1:30			12:55-1:25	MATH	Sci/SS
1:30-1:45				12:55-1:55	
1:45-2:00	SPECIALS				
2:00-2:15				Sci/SS	MATH
2:15-2:30		INTER.			1:45-2:45
2:30-2:45		2:15-2:45			
2:45-3:00					
3:00-3:15					



## Daily Class Schedules

### Monday - Tuesday - Friday

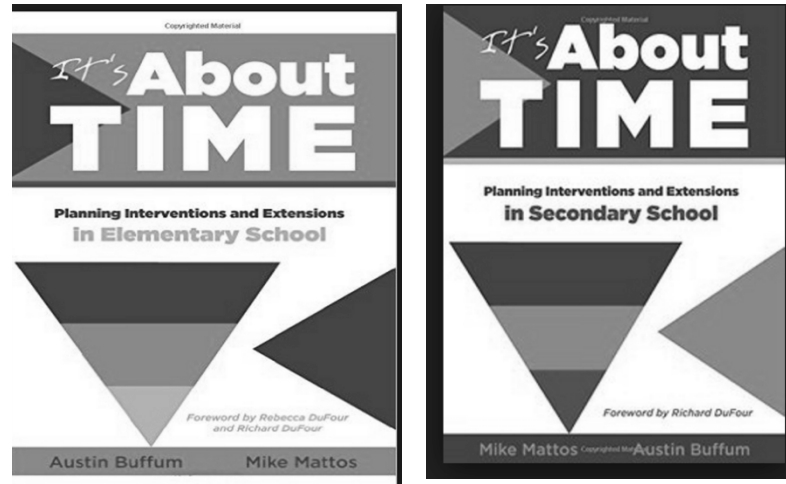
6 <sup>th</sup> Grade		7 <sup>th</sup> Grade		8 <sup>th</sup> Grade	
Period	Time	Period	Time	Period	Time
1	7:45-8:29	1	7:45-8:29	1	7:45-8:29
2	8:32-9:16	2	8:32-9:16	2	8:32-9:16
3	9:19-10:05	3	9:19-10:05	3	9:19-10:05
4	10:08-10:52	4	10:08-10:52	4	10:08-10:52
Lunch	10:52-11:22	5	10:55-11:39	5	10:55-11:39
5	11:25-12:09	Lunch	11:39-12:09	6	11:42-12:26
6	12:12-12:56	6	12:12-12:56	Lunch	12:12-12:56
7	12:59-1:43	7	12:59-1:43	7	12:59-1:43
8	1:46-2:30	8	1:46-2:30	8	1:46-2:30

### Wednesday - Thursday

6 <sup>th</sup> Grade		7 <sup>th</sup> Grade		8 <sup>th</sup> Grade	
Period	Time	Period	Time	Period	Time
1	7:45 - 8:25	1	7:45 - 8:25	1	7:45 - 8:25
2	8:28 - 9:08	2	8:28 - 9:08	2	8:28 - 9:08
3	9:11 - 9:53	3	9:11 - 9:53	3	9:11 - 9:53
4	9:56 - 10:36	4	9:56 - 10:36	4	9:56 - 10:36
Lunch	10:36 - 11:06	5	10:39 - 11:19	5	10:39 - 11:19
5	11:09 - 11:49	Lunch	11:19 - 11:49	6	11:22 - 12:02
6	11:52 - 12:32	6	11:52 - 12:32	Lunch	12:02 - 12:32
Academic	12:35 - 1:05	Academic	12:35 - 1:05	Academic	12:35 - 1:05
7	1:08 - 1:48	7	1:08 - 1:48	7	1:08 - 1:48
8	1:51 - 2:30	8	1:51 - 2:30	8	1:51 - 2:30

## Team Meeting Schedule

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Week A	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
1	7 SCI	7 SS 7 SP		7 SCI 7 SP	7 SS
2		8 LA			8 LA
3		PIT Team		Carts/Well PIT	
4	6 LA		6 Cross Curricular	6 MATH 6 LA	6 SCI
5	7 LA	6 SCI	7-1 Cross Curr	7 LA	
11:39-12:12	Math	Math (Becky)	SPLIT CROSS	Math	Math
6	8 SS 8 SP	8 SCI	8-1 Cross Curricular	8 SS	8 SP 8 SCI
7					
8		6 SS/SCI			6 SS
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1	7 SCI		7 SS 7 SP		
2			8 LA		
3		PIT Team		Carts/Well PIT	
4	6 SCI	Cross Curricular w/ PIT 6-1	6 LA	Cross Curricular w/ PIT 6-2	6 Options
5	7 LA	7-1 Cross Curr		7-1 CROSS PIT	
11:39-12:12	Math	SPLIT CROSS PIT	Math (Becky)	SPLIT Cross Curricular	
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7					
8			6 SS		



## Keys to Moving Forward... Collaboration

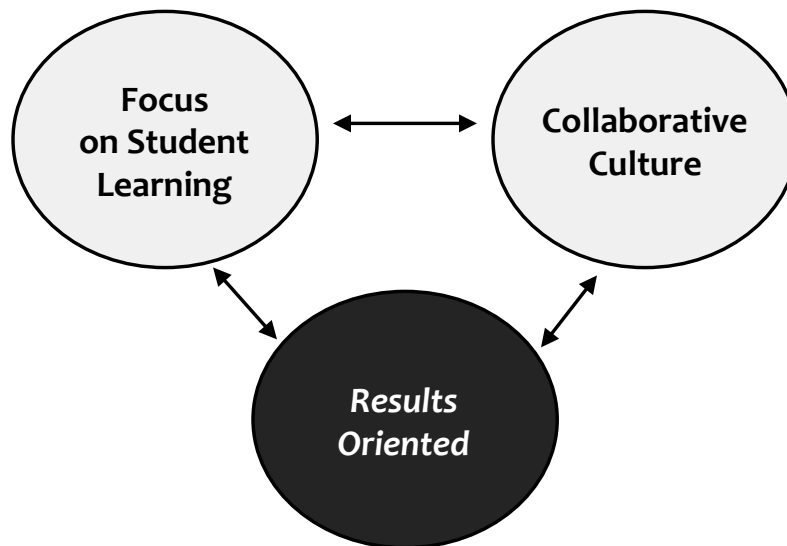
### Premise:

Collaborative teams may take many forms, but regardless of their structure, they must include both general and special educators to support all students' learning.

### Key Questions to Consider

- Is the work of each team clearly identified and feasible?
- Is the membership of the team inclusive of ALL who teach and support the content?
- Is adequate time allocated for each team to address the questions and activities appropriate to the role of the team?
- How is collaboration between general and special educators a mutual responsibility?
- Do your current structures address equity?

## Key Concepts of a PLC



“The more the school collaborates and the more interesting changes it makes, the more the school staff seek (not avoid) data. Such schools... are data-driven by choice”

Fullan, 1999

## ***PLC's Have a RESULTS ORIENTATION***

***Teams are committed to achieving desired results***

***They are hungry for evidence that their efforts are producing the intended outcomes***

## **Results Orientation**

People without accurate information cannot act responsibly.

People with accurate information feel compelled to act responsibly.

Blanchard, Carlos & Randolph Empowerment Takes More than a Minute, 2001

# A Results Orientation:

SMART Goals  
 Linked Goals (District, School, Team)  
 Established by Teams  
 Cautious not to be Data Rich and  
Information Poor  
 Regular use of Data Protocols  
 Evidence supports efforts  
 Progress is celebrated  
 Consider the whole child  
 (see A Data Picture of Our School)

## Data Teams Protocol

Team: 8<sup>th</sup> Honors E/LA

Assessment: Q1 Reading Benchmark  
Date Given: 10/20/11

<p>List targets (big idea) with &lt; 80% student mastery:</p> <p>Analyze Mood &amp; Tone-TG 98%</p> <p>Analyze how conflict contributes to a text-TG 91%</p> <p>*multiple choice was determined to be too lengthy.</p>	<p>List targets (big idea) with &gt; 80% student mastery and students not proficient for each:</p> <p>N/A</p>
<p>What current practices are effective?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-Literary Analysis Writing</li> <li>-Text Evidence Tracking through stories</li> <li>-Performance assessments (projects completed inside the classroom)</li> <li>-Close readings and annotations</li> <li>-Authentic applications of literary elements</li> <li>-Reading Workshop Mini-lessons focused on literary elements</li> </ul>	
<p>What instructional changes do we agree to try?</p> <p>We need to apply the same skills and elements to nonfiction and various fiction genres. We also agree to consider the length and purpose of passages.</p> <p>When will this instruction take place?</p>	<p>How will we intervene with these students (When? Who? With what?)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-extend skills to RW novels</li> <li>-extend skills to MAP logs</li> <li>-extend skills to authentic novel activities</li> <li>-extend skills to create narratives</li> </ul>
<p><b>Weekly with supplemental materials</b></p> <p>How and when will we assess student learning (by target)?</p> <p>Novel units, poetry unit, nonfiction unit, Reading Workshop, Q2 benchmark</p>	<p>How will students' progress be monitored (When? Who? With what?)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-RW = weekly</li> <li>-Q2 Narrative</li> <li>-Q2 Reading Benchmark</li> <li>-weekly classroom assessed literacy activities</li> </ul>

## Results Orientation Team Self-Assessment

1 = Never  
 2 = Infrequently  
 3 = Periodically / Inconsistently  
 4 = Regularly  
 5 = Regularly to drive instructional decisions  
 PD = We need more professional development in how to do this

Or team develops SMART Goals based on student data	1	2	3	4	5	PD
Frequent use of data protocols	1	2	3	4	5	PD
Frequent use of formative data drives instructional decisions	1	2	3	4	5	PD
Our team celebrates when the data show expected student growth	1	2	3	4	5	PD

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## Module 3 & 4: Question 1



## Question #1

**What Do We Want Students To Learn?**



## A Guaranteed and Viable Curriculum

A combination of  
“Opportunity to Learn”  
and  
“Time”

## Thoughts for Teams



**How does your district  
currently answer  
Question #1?**

**What is the current reality  
regarding a guaranteed  
and viable curriculum?**

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## Common Findings in Successful Schools

**Bob Marzano suggests that a GUARANTEED and VIABLE Curriculum based on a clear list of essential outcomes is the number one opportunity to raise the level of student achievement.**

Essential Skills	DuFour
Clear and Focused Academic Goals	Lezotte
Power Standards	Ainsworth

***Whatever you call this, it needs to be in place for our schools to be successful.***



## Guaranteed and Viable Versus “Learning by Lottery”



## Why we need to... “Weed the Garden”?

(Even with the Common Core)



If you wanted to teach all of the standards in the  
national documents, you would have to change  
schooling from  
K-12 to K-22

- 255 standards across 14 subject areas
- 3,500 benchmarks
- 13,000 hours of class time available
- 9,000 hours of instruction available
- 15,500 hours of instruction needed to cover the 3,500 benchmarks

This is still the case with the Common Core!

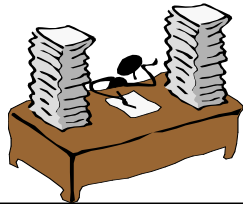
*Dr. Robert Marzano  
What Works in Schools*

When we try to cram too much curriculum into a  
school year  
Everyone Loses  
Students develop into memorizers, instead of into  
thinkers



## **Curricular Chaos**

- Teachers are forced to individually navigate through standards, texts, frameworks, and curriculum guides
- There is a mismatch between the taught curriculum and the assessed standards
- Students continue to learn what the teachers want or like to teach



Dr. Robert Marzano

## **Power Standards Criteria**

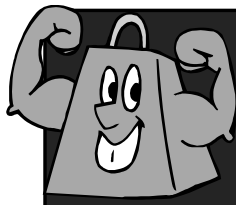


**Endurance**



**Leverage**

**Readiness for the next  
level of learning**



## ***Endurance***

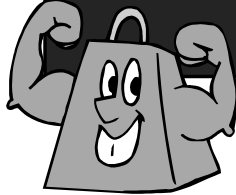
Knowledge and skills of  
value beyond a single  
test date



## ***Leverage***

Knowledge and skills of value  
in multiple disciplines

## ***Readiness for the next level of learning***



**Knowledge and skills that  
are necessary for success in  
the next grade level or the  
next level of instruction**

## **Why Power Standards?**

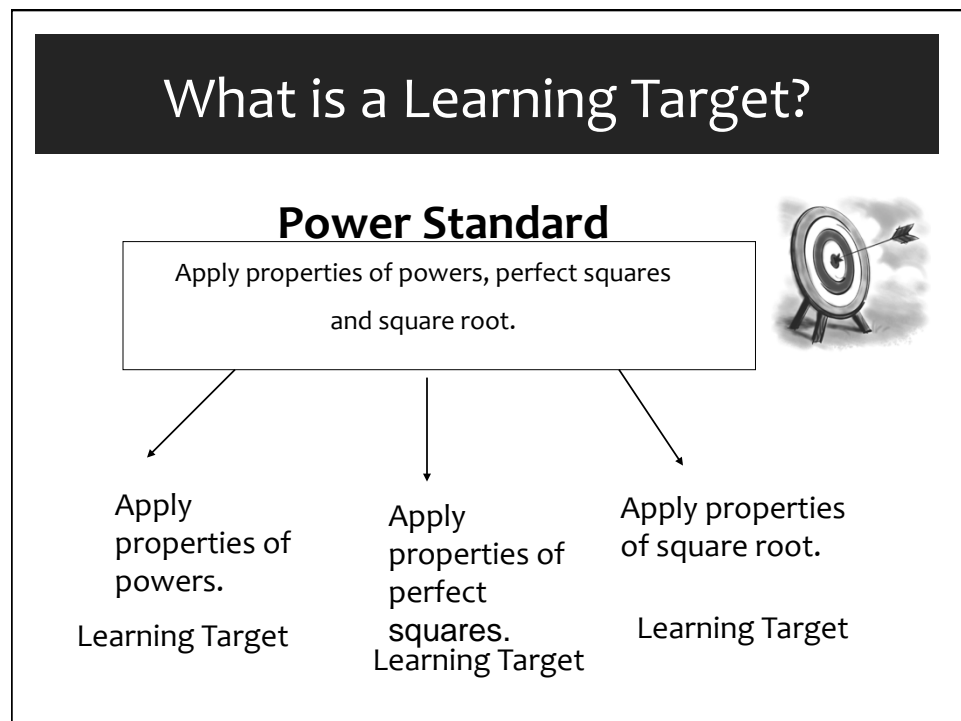
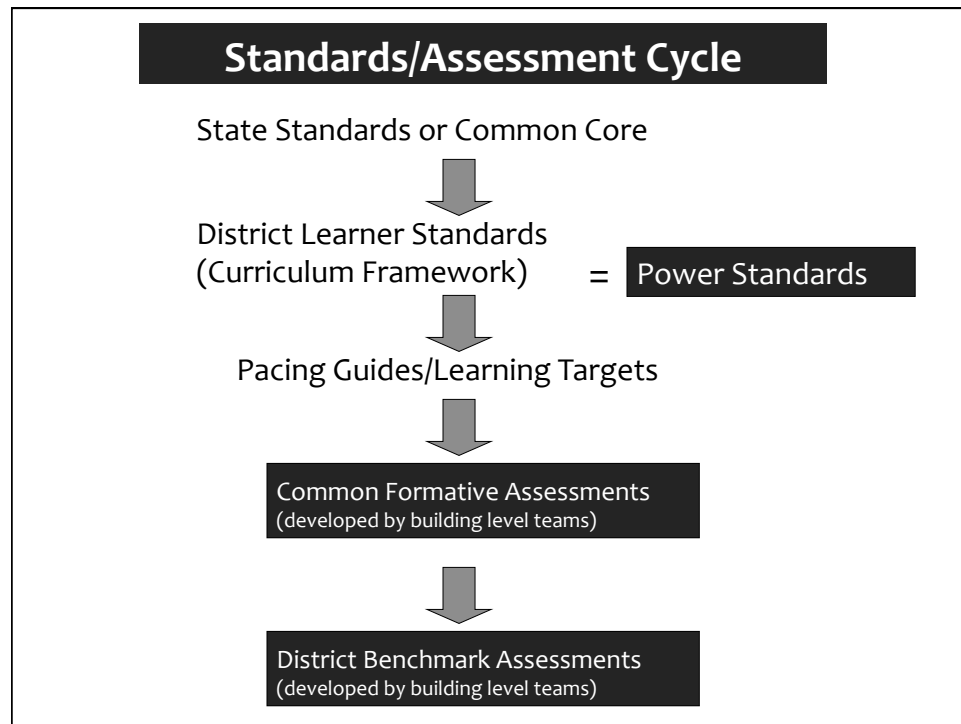
### **Power standards are:**

- What teams spend the majority of their instructional time on
- What teams will assess
- The standards teams have data-driven discussions about
- What teams intervene on (enrichment or remediation)

## Power Standards and Pacing

- Power Standards are Paced by Trimester at both the Elementary and the Middle School
- Learning Targets within each standard are identified and listed in the Trimester they are taught and assessed
- Assessments are developed by Learning Target

Curriculum framework now  
exists as a fluid and ever  
changing foundation for  
student learning.



# What is a Learning Target?

## Power Standard

Demonstrate awareness of physical characteristics and changes that occur in themselves and their environment.



Demonstrate awareness of physical characteristics (eye color, skin color, hair color)  
Learning Target

Demonstrate awareness of changes that occur in themselves (height, motor development, etc.)  
Learning Target

Demonstrate changes that occur in their environment (weather, seasons, classroom)  
Learning Target

## In PLC's

- This is NOT left to each teacher to resolve individually
- This is NOT left to deteriorate into a debate regarding teachers' opinions on what students must learn

Learning by Doing, 2010



## In PLC' s

Collaborative teams work together to build shared knowledge regarding what is essential standards (Power Standards) for students to know and be able to do.

Learning by Doing, 2010

### The Answer to PLC Question 1 The Same or Different? Equity

Is the answer (to PLC Question 1) the same or different for General and Special Education? For ELL's? For ALL subgroups?

Is it the same or different from teacher to teacher?

## The Answer to PLC Question 1

### When It Is DIFFERENT

- Special educators / ELL educators have to determine what the expected outcomes are for each teacher and then determine the best way to approach support for their students.
- There is no collective clarity around what is important for students to know and be able to do, and there is not a common experience for all students in a grade-level, subject, and/or course.
- We send students to the next level of learning with varying knowledge of concepts and skills.

## The Answer to PLC Question 1

### When It Is the SAME

- Special educators / ELL educators know exactly what the expected outcomes are for every teacher in that grade or who teaches the same course, and can begin thinking about scaffolds and supports without having to navigate differences between teachers first.
- There is collective clarity around what is important for students to know and be able to do and a common experience for all students in a grade-level, subject, and/or course.
- We send students to the next level of learning with common knowledge of concepts and skills.

## Unpacking & Prioritizing Options...

1. Whole system process
2. Team process

### **System Process**

**Unpack  
Power  
Articulate  
Scale  
Articulate  
Pace  
Assessments**

## Unpacking the Standards With Your Team ...

- What does this standard mean?
- What are the learning targets?
- What would it look like if a student could do this?
- What is the level of rigor required by this standard?
- It leads to assessment design.

### 3 Action Steps for Individual Teams

#### PLC Question 1

##### **Action Step 1:**

Pick an upcoming unit or topic of instruction and get clear about what students should know and be able to do.

##### **Action Step 2:**

Prioritize the list.

*Simple as ABC: Prioritizing Process (3 Steps)*

##### **Action Step 3:**

Unpack the priority standards.

*7-Step Unpacking Process*

*(Under Supplemental Resources Pg. 8 in packet)*

## Unpack the Priority Standards

Supplemental Resources pg. 10-11

<b>Standard(s):</b> CCSS.MATH.6.RP.A.3 Use ratio and rate reasoning to solve real-world and mathematical problems, e.g., by reasoning about tables of equivalent ratios, tape diagrams, double number line diagrams, or equations.				
What Will Students <b>DO</b> ? (skills or verbs)	With What Knowledge or Concept?	Level of Thinking/ Type of Assessment	Vocabulary	Scaffolds/Supports Ideas
Use	ratio and rate reasoning (to solve real-world mathematical problems)	DOK 2 Multiple Choice/ Constructed Response or Performance Assessment	Ratio Rate	•Vocabulary practice/small group •Math problems with simpler numbers or variables. Once student demonstrates mastery on these, add problems with more complex numbers or variable.
Solve	real-world mathematical problems (using ratio and rate reasoning)	DOK 3 Constructed Response/Performance Task	Solve	•Modeling problem solving strategies/small groups. •Help students visualize the problem. •Act out the problem using manipulatives.
Reason	about tables of equivalent ratios, tape diagrams, double number line diagrams, or equations.	DOK 2 Constructed written response	Equivalent Diagram Reason	Reasoning practice with less complex tables, etc.
<b>Learning Progression:</b> •Understand the key vocabulary as used in the standards. (cite, evidence, analysis, inference, determine, theme/central idea, conveyed, details, summary, distinct, opinion, judgment) •Understand how details in a text (evidence) help convey theme.				

## Well-Structured Learning Goals?

Well-structured learning goals make assessment tasks easier to construct.

**Well-structured learning goals (targets) make assessment tasks easier to construct, and well-constructed assessment tasks help operationalize learning goals (targets).**

Marzano, R. J. (2009). Designing & teaching learning goals & objectives (p. 19). Bloomington, IN: Marzano Research Laboratory.

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# "I CAN" TARGET

I CAN identify common nouns.



## Unit: Cell Biology

### Standard 1

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Period \_\_\_\_\_

I understand how basic chemical reactions (metabolism) in parts of a cell (organelles/cytoplasm) help keep organisms (living things) alive. As a basis for understanding that concept:

#### Learning Targets

- 1c. I know that viruses are composed of a nucleic acid contained in a protein coat.  
I know that prokaryotic cells do not have membrane-bound organelles.  
I know that eukaryotic cells have membrane-bound organelles.

**Essential vocabulary:** prokaryotic, eukaryotic, organelle, nucleus, cell-plasma membrane, ribosome, cytoplasm, cell wall, chloroplast, mitochondria, lysosome, vacuole, cytoskeleton, ER, Golgi apparatus

Rate your mastery of this learning target.

New to me \_\_\_\_\_ → I got this.

Tasks	How I Did
1.	
2.	
3.	

## Thoughts for Teams



**Discuss your reaction  
so far....**

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## **Common Core / New Standards & Scaling** *Changing the Landscape of Extension*

### **Common Core and Other New State Standards**

New power targets from the common core

Gave us the opportunity to include learning targets that are clearer, more concise, & more rigorous

### **Scales**

Determining Levels of Proficiency to give teachers the opportunity to extend and enrich for more students more often

### Marzano and Kendall's Taxonomy

4	Advanced learning target: Inferences and applications that go beyond what was taught
3	Target learning target: Complex ideas and processes that have been explicitly taught
2	Simpler learning target: Simpler details and processes that have been explicitly taught
1	Partial credit with help
0	Even with help no success

## No Scales

- Students can obtain very different scores from teacher to teacher simply because the teachers weight items differently.
- Assessments designed by one teacher or team may be inconsistent or uneven in level of difficulty (all easy, all difficult).
- It's difficult to determine how to extend learning.



## With Scaling

- Ensures that the scale stays the same from one assessment to the next and that a teacher applies the same logic to scoring each assessment
- Provides a systematic way to extend learning from 2.0 to 3.0 and 3.0 to 4.0

### Grade-8 LA Example

<div>Knowledge Utilization</div> <div>Analysis</div> <div>Comprehension</div> <div>Retrieval</div>	4.0	Advanced learning target: Decide and explain which passage presents the better argument.
	3.0	Mastery learning target: Determine an author's point of view (perspective) or purpose in a text and analyze how the author acknowledges and responds to conflicting evidence or viewpoints.
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Analysis	3.0	Mastery learning target: Make a line plot to display a data set of measurements in fractions of a unit ( $\frac{1}{2}$ , $\frac{1}{4}$ , $\frac{1}{8}$ ).
Comprehension	2.0	Simpler learning target: Given a partially completed line plot, use the data set to fill in the missing information.
Retrieval		

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Retrieval		

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# Taxonomy

Martano and Rendall 2008

## KNOWLEDGE UTILIZATION

<b>Investigating</b> <i>Test hypothesis using assertions and opinions of others</i>		<b>Experimenting</b> <i>Test hypothesis using data collection by student</i>		<b>Problem Solving</b> <i>Use information to accomplish a goal with obstacles or limiting conditions</i>		<b>Decision Making</b> <i>Use information to make a decision</i>	
Investigate	Find out about	Experiment	How would you test that	Solve	How would you reach your goal	Decide	Which is the best way
Differentiating factors	What would happen	Generate and test	How would you determine if	Develop a strategy	Adapt	Select the best alternatives	Which of these is most suitable
Research	Take a position on	Test the idea that	How can this be explained	Figure out a way to	How would you overcome		
How/why happened		What would happen if					
		Based on the experiment what could be predicted					

## ANALYSIS

<b>Specifying</b> <i>Identify logical consequences of information</i>		<b>Generalizing</b> <i>Construct new principals or generalizations based on information</i>		<b>Error Analysis</b> <i>Identifying logical or factual errors in knowledge</i>		<b>Classifying</b> <i>Identify categories to which information belongs</i>		<b>Matching</b> <i>Identify similarities and differences</i>	
Make and defend	What would happen if	Draw conclusions	Create a rule	Revise	Assess	Classify	Identify a broader category	Categorize	Distinguish
Predict	Develop and argument	Trace development	Form conclusions	Edit	Identify errors	Identify categories	Organize	Compare & contrast	Sort
Judge	Under what conditions	Draw inferences	Generalize	Evaluate	Identify problems	Identify different types		Differentiate	Create analogy
Deduce		Create a principle		Diagnose	Identify issues		Sort	Discriminate	Create metaphor
				Critique					

## COMPREHENSION

<b>Symbolizing</b> <i>Construct symbolic representation of information</i>				<b>Integrating</b> <i>Identify basic structure of information</i>							
Symbolize		Draw/ Illustrate		Use models		Describe how or why					
Represent		Show		Diagram chart		Describe key parts of					
				Describe relationship between							
				Explain ways in which							
				Paraphrase/ summarize							
				Describe the effects							

## RETRIEVAL

<b>Executing</b> <i>Perform procedures</i>			<b>Recalling</b> <i>Produce information on demand</i>			<b>Recognizing</b> <i>determine if information is accurate, inaccurate or unknown</i>		
Use	Demonstrate	Show	Exemplify	Label	What	Recognize	Select (from list)	Identify (from list)
Make	Complete	Draft	Name	State/ describe	Where	Determine if true/false		
		Create	List	Who	When			



Grade 8 - Literacy Pacing Guide~Trimester 2 - Cycle 3			
LITERATURE TARGETS			
	4.0 Target	3.0 Target	2.0 Target
8.LIT.2.1:	Determine the theme of a supplementary text and compare/contrast the theme of the supplementary text to the theme of the original text.	Determine a theme or central idea of a text; analyze the theme or central idea's development over the course of the text, including its relationship to the characters, setting, and plot.	Determine a theme or central idea of a text.
INFO TEXT TARGETS			
	4.0 Target	3.0 Target	2.0 Target
8.IT.2.1:	Determine the central idea of a supplementary text and compare/contrast the central idea of the supplementary text to the central idea of the original text.	Determine the central idea of a text and analyze its development over the course of the text, including its relationship to supporting ideas.	Determine the central idea of a text.
8.IT.1.1:	DOES NOT EXTEND	Cite the textual evidence that most strongly supports an analysis of what the text says explicitly as well as inferences drawn from the text.	Cites limited text evidence to support an analysis of what the text says explicitly as well as inferences drawn from the text.
8.IT.8.2:	DOES NOT EXTEND	Evaluate the argument and specific claims in a text assessing whether the evidence is relevant and sufficient.	Identify elements of the argument using a graphic organizer.
LANGUAGE TARGETS			

<http://www.kcsd96.org/curriculum/pacing-guides.cfm>

Current Common Report Card Information		Standards-Based Report Card Information	
Quarter-1 Math Grade		Trimester-1 Math Grade	
MATH A7	A	MATH (A7)	Karen Constantine
Constantine, Karen	96	Teacher:	Karen Constantine
		OVERALL TARGET MASTERY GRADE	A
		OVERALL WORK HABITS GRADE	3
			TARGET PROFICIENCY
		NUMBER SENSE	
		1b. Evaluate order of operations	3
		1c. Evaluate expressions	3
		1d. Identify properties of real numbers	2
		2b. Evaluate expressions with absolute value	2
		2c. Add and subtract integers	3
		2d. Multiply and divide integers	3
		2e. Convert among decimals, percents, and fractions	2
		2f. Evaluate rational number expressions	3
		ALGEBRA AND ANALYTICAL METHODS	
		5b. Graph ordered pairs in all four quadrants	3
		WORK HABITS	
		Completes work	3
		Is prepared to learn	3
		Participates in learning	2
		Follows classroom expectations	3
		COMMENTS	

## What Is Included in a Student's Achievement Final Letter Grade?

Overall proficiency of all learning targets for a given grading period in each course

## What Is Included in a Student's Achievement Final Letter Grade?

Quickly...round robin listing “points” that contribute to a letter grade.  
(mastery of target, participation, homework, extra credit, etc.)

## Reporting Nonachievement Factors “Work Habits”

Considering **college and career readiness**, as well as expectations of parents, there is a valid basis for providing feedback relative to nonachievement factors.

This feedback can be given separately from academic achievement.

Can be aligned to social emotional learning standards.

## Keys to Moving Forward... Guaranteed and Viable

- Question mindset constantly: do we, as a team, really believe that ALL means ALL?
- Define and develop a shared understanding of what students should know and be able to do before beginning a unit of instruction.
- Prioritize the standards collaboratively or individual teachers will prioritize anyway, leading to differences in what students in the same grade or course learn.
- Take the time to unpack the standards collaboratively because the knowledge teachers gain from the process will benefit students.
- Use learning progressions to plan instruction and assessment and to guide interventions.



## Thoughts for Teams

What is your current reality related to identifying essential outcomes for students in each course at every grade level?

What would the benefits be having something like this in the hands of every teacher?

What is the first conversation you need to have about grading and reporting practices? (Pg. 5)



## Module 3 & 4: Question 2



Professional Learning Communities

## Question #2

### How Will We Know if Students are Learning?



### What Do We Assess?

- Assessments are directly aligned to the Curriculum Framework (*developed from the Illinois State Standards or Common Core*)
- Backward design from the Learning Targets on the Pacing Guides

## Assessment serves several purposes



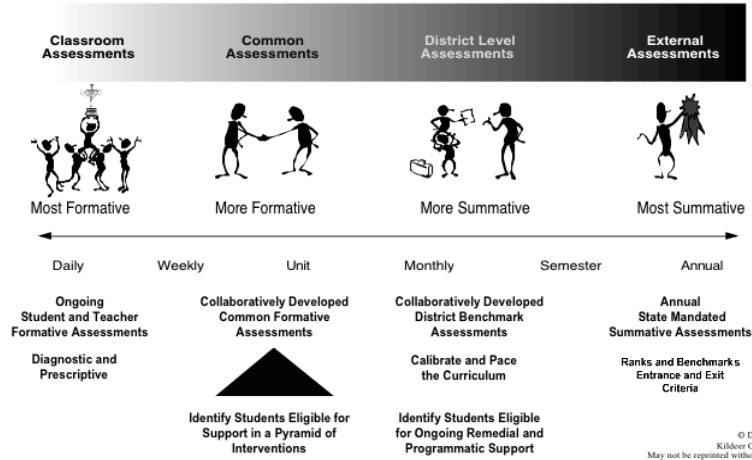
- ❖ Informs and guides instruction
- ❖ Provides feedback about student learning
- ❖ Evaluates programs and monitors progress
- ❖ Ensures accountability (internal and external)
- ❖ Focuses and paces the curriculum

*From "Measured Measures"*

### Crucial Distinction

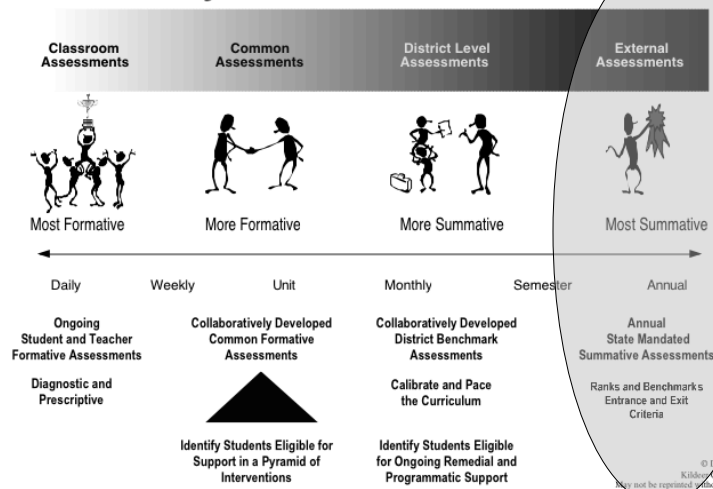
- Assessment FOR Learning: How can we use assessment to help students learn more?
- Assessment OF Learning: How much have students learned at a particular point in time?

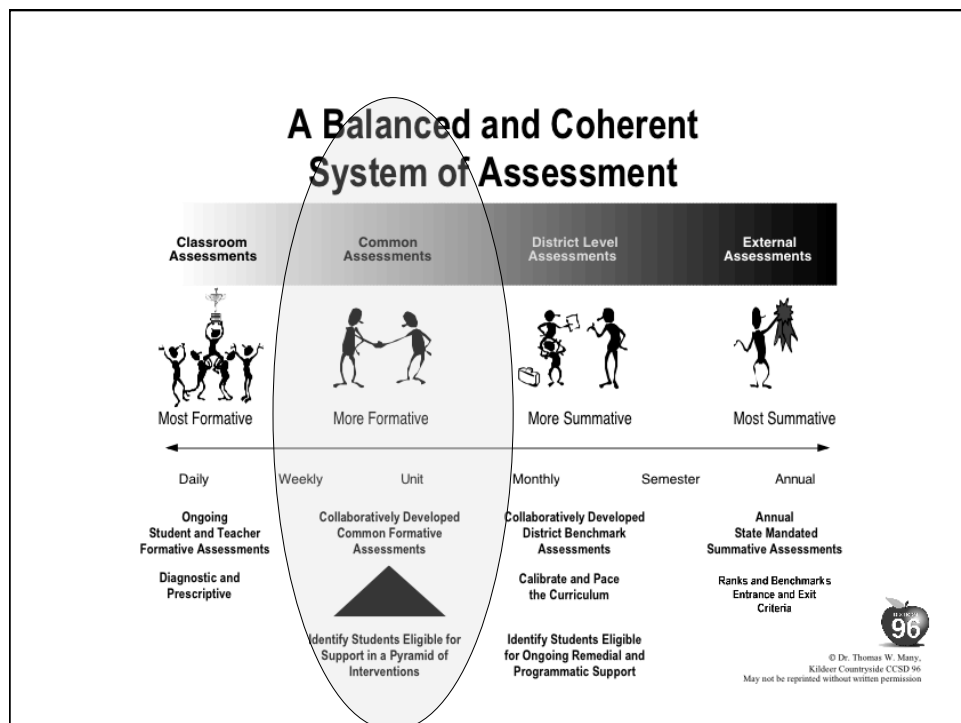
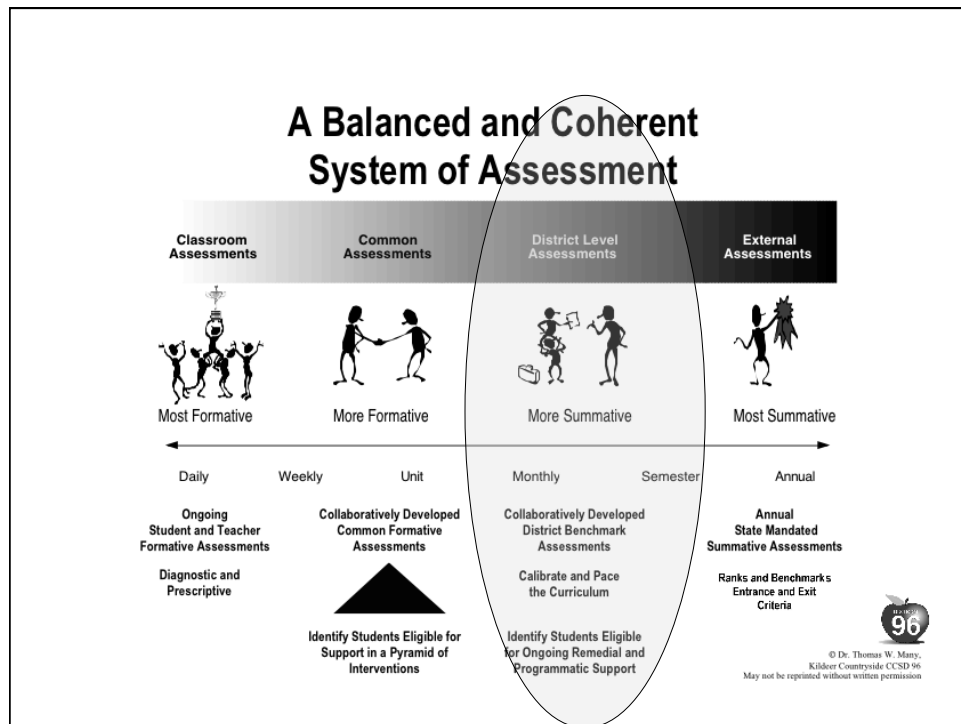
## A Balanced and Coherent System of Assessment



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## A Balanced and Coherent System of Assessment





Research consistently shows that regular, high-quality **Formative Assessments** increases student achievement.

### **Common Assessments... MORE Formative**

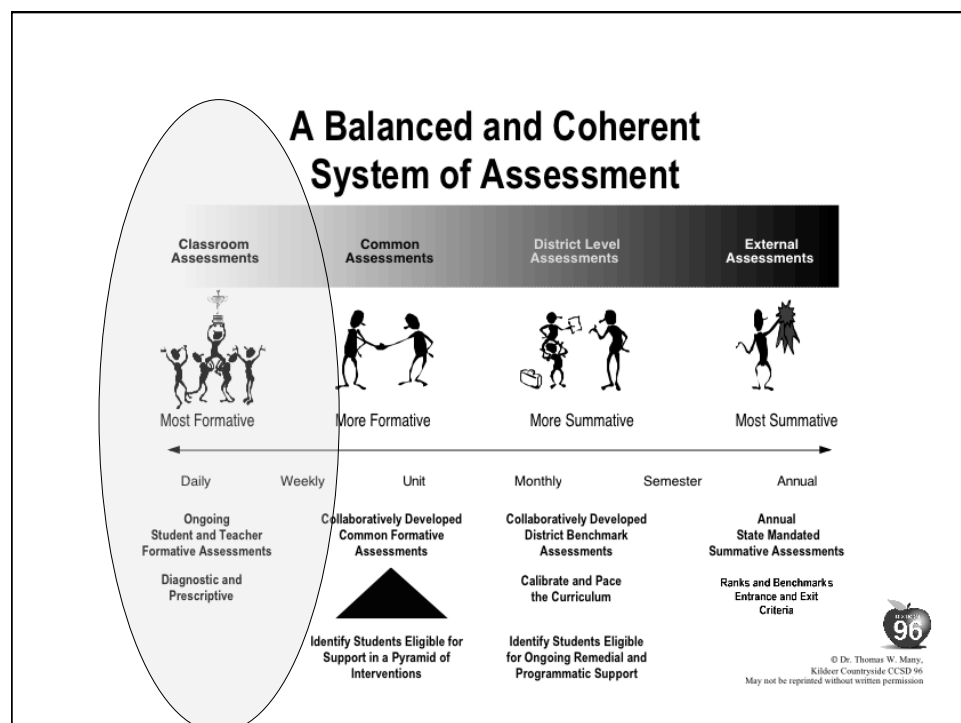
#### **Common Formative Assessment**

*All Students are asked periodically to participate in assessment activities that are:*

1. Common at each grade-Level at each bldg.
2. Linked to Power Standards/Targets
3. Used to guide instruction
4. Used to initiate interventions,
5. Used to measure, monitor, and report student progress
6. Created by teams of teachers through a collaborative process.

## Development of Common Formative Assessment

- Developed by teachers at the building level.
- Provide frequent feedback about student learning.
- Guide and monitor the pace of instruction as students move through the curriculum.
- Danger of creating an overwhelming amount of testing unless we substitute common formative assessments for traditional end-of-chapter tests, quizzes, and writing assignments



## **Classroom Assessments... MOST Formative**

### **Daily Classroom Assessment**

- Ticket out the door (Exit Slips)
- Numbered Heads Together
- Think, Pair, Share
- Conferencing with Students
- Checklists
- Slate assessment
- Use of Clicker System



## **Development of Classroom Assessments**

- Developed by teachers at the building level.
- Provides most frequent feedback about student learning.
- Not necessarily common (Teacher-specific based on the classroom needs)
- Not publicly discussed
- Assists teachers in knowing on a daily basis student strengths and needs



## Are Common Assessments Formative or Summative?

Assessment is best viewed on a continuum ranging from most formative to most summative. The same assessment can be both formative or summative depending on how results are used.

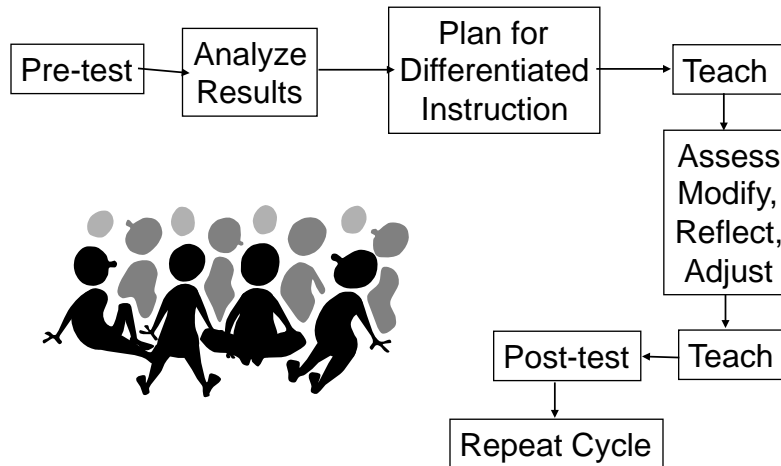
- Information gathered from a summative assessment can be used in formative ways to help guide instruction.
- Results of a formative assessment also can be used in summative ways to identify the information students have mastered at a particular point in time.

Targets to Be Assessed ↓	Assessment Method		
	<i>Selected Response</i> Multiple Choice Matching Fill-in-the-Blank	<i>Constructed Written Response</i> Student must <u>construct</u> own response. Does not have to be writing (e.g., Venn diagram) .	<i>Performance Assessment</i> Oral Reports Demonstrations
Extended thinking	Not typically a good match	Good match	Partial match
Strategic thinking	Not typically a good match	Good match	Partial match
Skill/concept	Partial match	Good match	Partial match
Recall	Good match	Good match	Partial match

	Classroom Assessments	CFAs	Benchmark Assessments
Examples of Practice	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•Clickers</li> <li>•Whiteboards</li> <li>•Exit Slips</li> <li>•Conferences</li> <li>•High quality worksheets</li> </ul>	Tasks assessed with rubrics, short quizzes, common worksheets, clicker quiz *Pre-Assessment *Typically focused on 1-2 targets	End of Cycle/Unit Assessments
Formative or Summative	Very Formative	Very Formative	More Summative
Individual Purpose	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•Determine what to do next instructionally.</li> <li>•Give feedback to students quickly</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>*To gather evidence of student learning</li> <li>•Determine what to do next instructionally.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>*To gather evidence of student learning and determine what to do next instructionally.</li> <li>*Instructional Strategies that worked and did not work</li> <li>*Can be used formatively, but not as a first formative piece</li> <li>*Instructional decisions for students who still do not master target.</li> </ul>

Team Purpose	Knowledge gained from individual experiences shared with the team.	Publicly display and discuss student data to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Determine grade-level and individual student trends</li> <li>• Identify successful instructional strategies</li> <li>• Diagnostic interventions</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>*Assess curriculum</li> <li>*Pacing considerations</li> <li>*Can be used formatively, but not as a first formative piece</li> <li>*Instructional decisions for students who still do not master target.</li> </ul>
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## Results Orientation Instruction-Assessment Model



## Avoiding ANALYSIS PARALYSIS

- A move to ACTION regarding the data
- 25-30% of time spent on analysis
- 70-75% of time on ACTION with a collaborative focus on instruction



## Team Tools that Support Collaboration in a PLC

- Teams agree to Norms
- Outcome-driven Agendas
- Minutes for clarity and communication
- SMART goals developed to improve student achievement
- Data protocols that are meaningful

Overall Assessment
1. What worked well?
2. What changes need to be made?
Examine Student Work
1. As a team, on which learning targets did most/all students show mastery? Celebrate!
2. As a team, which learning targets require more attention?
3. As a team, which students did not master which targets?
4. As a team, which classrooms require additional support?
Plan for Action
As a team, what we will do for students who need additional support:
<u>Ideas</u>
<u>Implementation</u>

## Boiling it down to the basics...

### Here's What

5 minutes

*Just the Facts*

### So What?

15 minutes

*Analyze*

### Now What?

10 minutes

*Inferences*

## Leads to SMART Goal Development

Percentage of \_\_\_\_\_ scoring  
proficient and higher in (insert learning  
target) will increase from \_\_\_\_\_% to  
\_\_\_\_\_ % by \_\_\_\_\_ as measured  
by \_\_\_\_\_ administered  
on \_\_\_\_\_.

## Managing Assessment Results

### Mastery Manager

- Scoring Report
- Item Analysis
- Item analysis by standard





## Learning Objectives Mastery Roster Report

Learning Objectives Mastery Roster Report  
Dist.Math.8R.1.09 25/MC  
Disaggregating: All Students Section: All Sections  
Total Students: 27 Teacher: All Teachers

Student	M.OB.01 - Solve problems using order of operations including exponents and parentheses. - 8 pts.	M.OB.02 - Write and evaluate variable expressions and equations. - 20 pts.	M.OB.03 - Solve operational problems using positive and negative numbers. - 24 pts.	M.OB.04 - Identify and apply algebraic properties. - 16 pts.	M.OB.05 - Plot points on the coordinate plane. - 4 pts.	M.OB.06 - Solve problems using the rules of exponents. - 4 pts.	M.OB.11 - Find the mean, median, mode, and range of a set of data. - 4 pts.	M.OB.14 - Solve real life problems using rates, ratios, and proportions. - 4 pts.	M.OB.21 - Determine area and perimeter of basic shapes using variables. - 12 pts.	M.OB.24 - Read and interpret graphs. - 4 pts.	% of Standards Mastered
<b>Average Points:</b>	7.11 / 8	17.78 / 20	18.37 / 24	11.11 / 16	3.70 / 4	3.26 / 4	3.26 / 4	3.26 / 4	11.11 / 12	1.48 / 4	
<b>% of Students Mastering:</b>	78%	89%	89%	59%	93%	81%	81%	81%	96%	37%	
Abanay, Rzi	8	16	16	8	4	4	4	4	8	0	80
	8	20	16	16	4	4	4	4	12	4	100
	8	8	8	8	4	0	0	4	8	0	40
	8	20	20	16	4	4	4	4	12	0	90
	8	20	16	12	4	0	4	4	12	0	80
	4	4	16	8	4	4	0	4	12	4	60
	8	20	20	8	4	4	4	4	12	4	90
	8	16	24	12	4	4	4	4	12	4	100
	8	12	20	8	4	4	4	4	12	0	80
	8	20	16	12	4	4	4	0	12	4	90
	4	20	24	8	4	4	4	4	8	0	70
	8	20	24	12	0	0	0	4	12	0	60
	8	16	20	12	4	4	4	4	12	4	100
	4	20	16	8	4	0	4	4	12	0	60

## Thoughts for Teams

What is your current reality related to data driven instruction?

What is our current reality related to a continuum of assessment?

How are you managing data?

Discuss one (1) next step.

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## Module 5: Questions 3 & 4



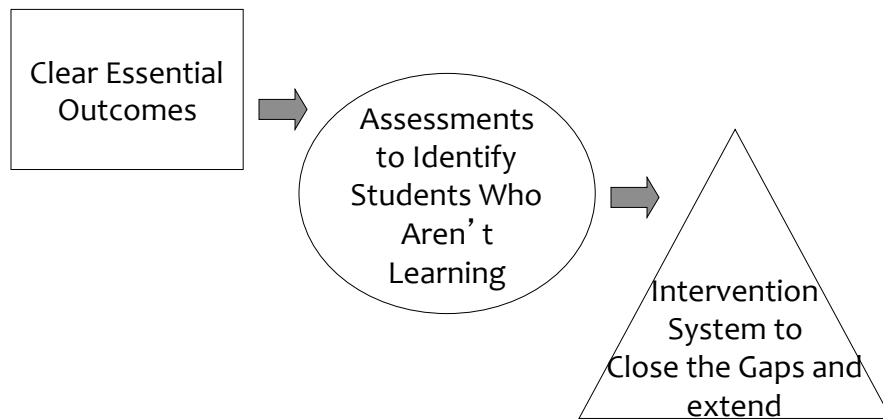
## Question #3

**What Will We Do if Students  
are NOT Learning?**





## Teams use a system that supports learning



## What is an Intervention?

An intervention is a specific and systematic response to a student need.

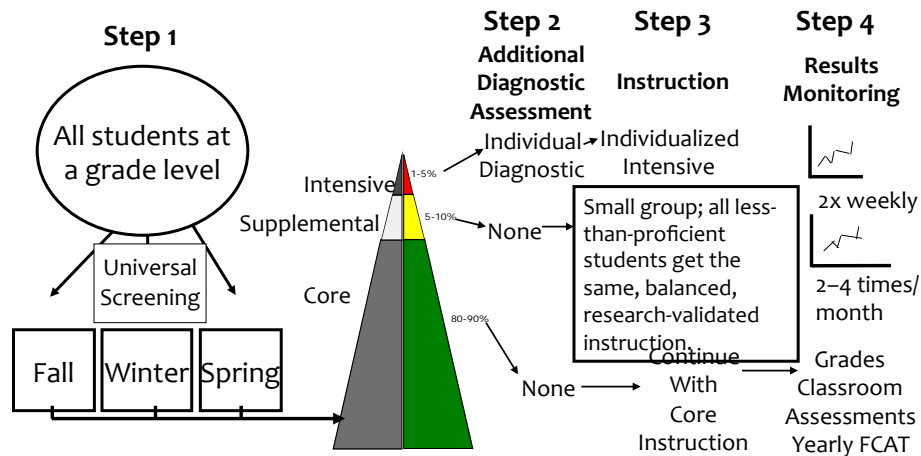
1. Can be academic or social/emotional
2. Short term
3. Can be organizational help
4. Can be adult support/supervision

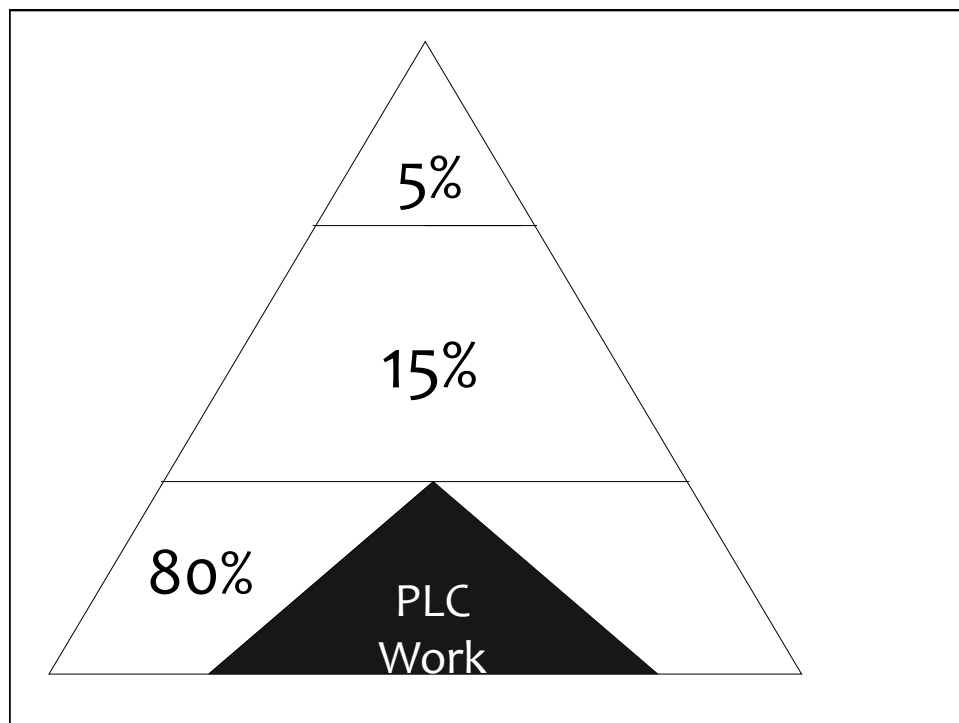
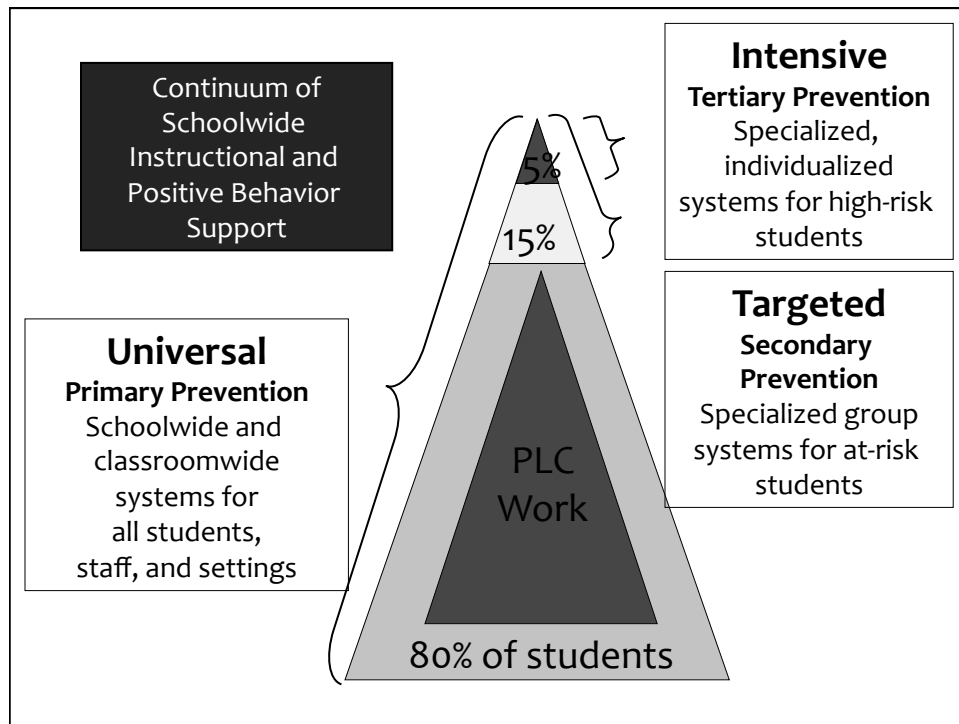


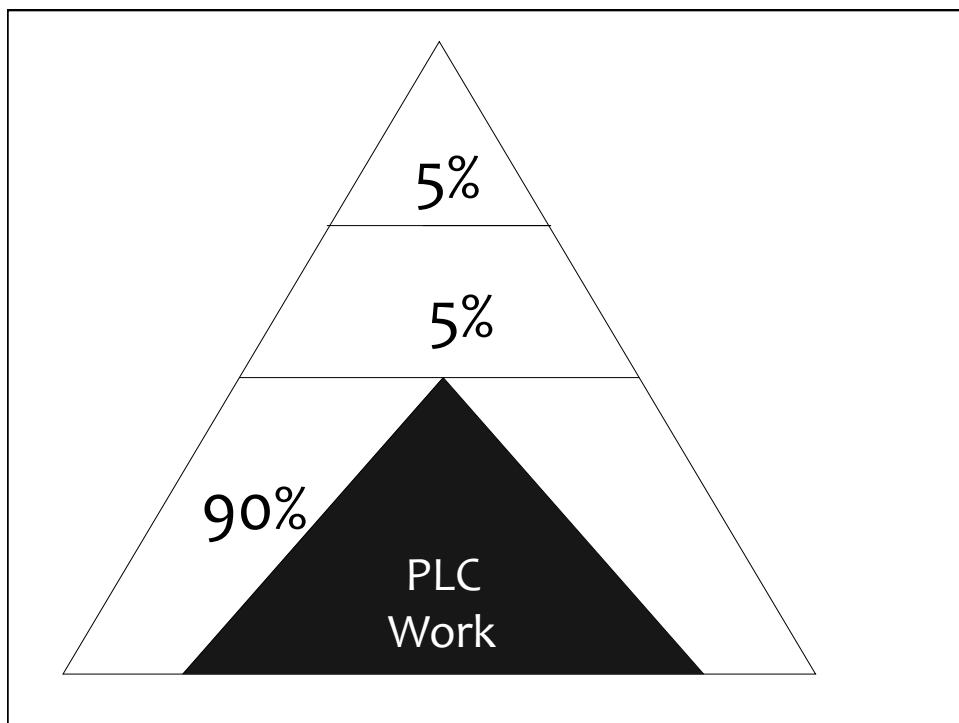
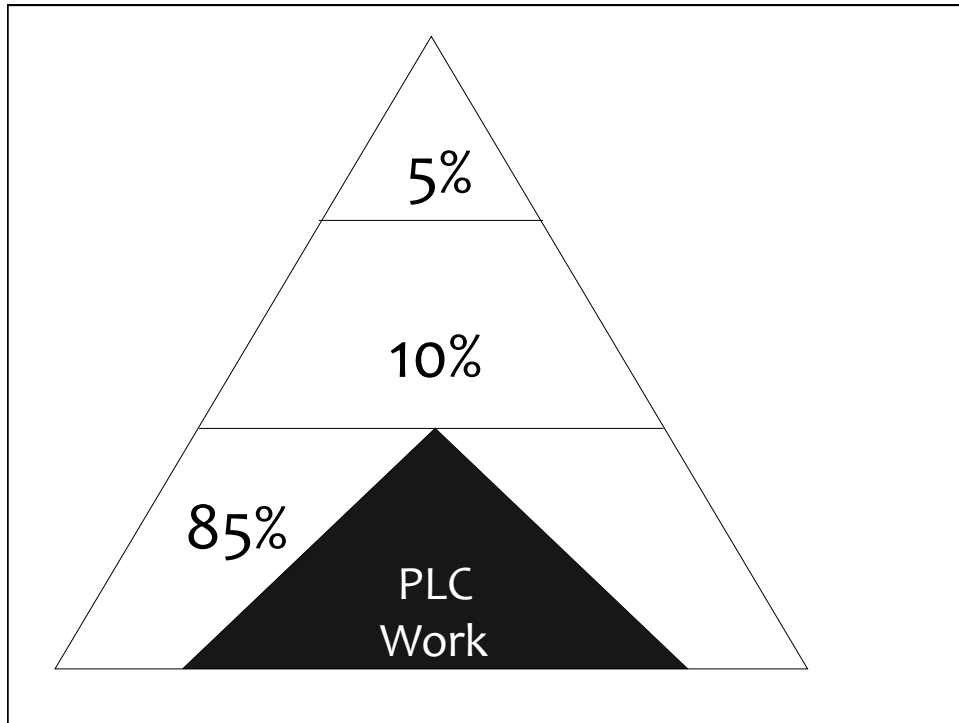
## Intervention Criteria

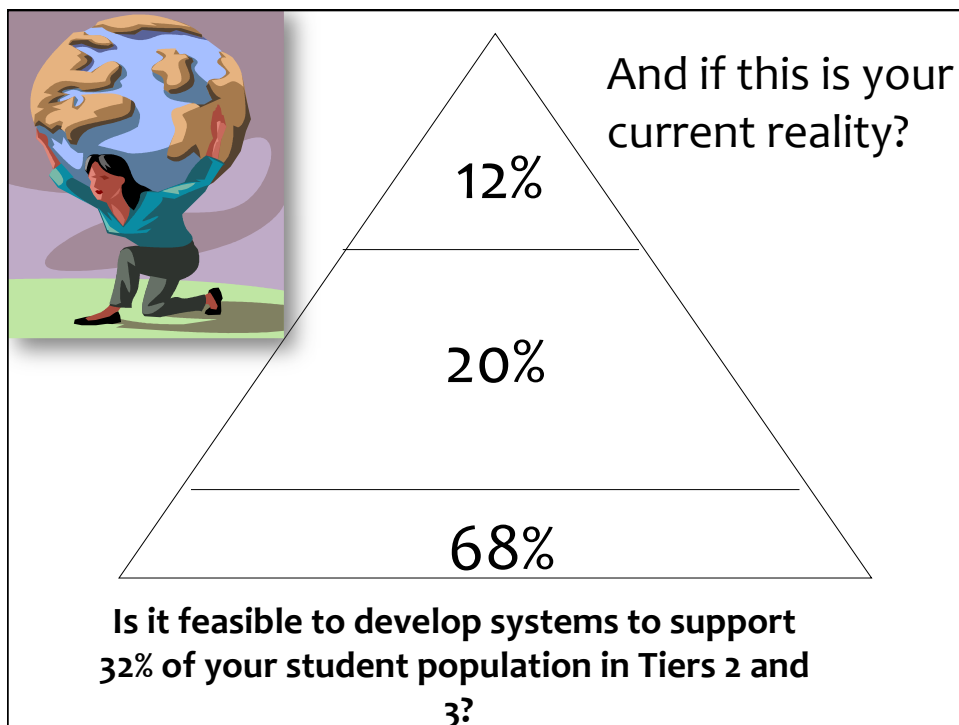
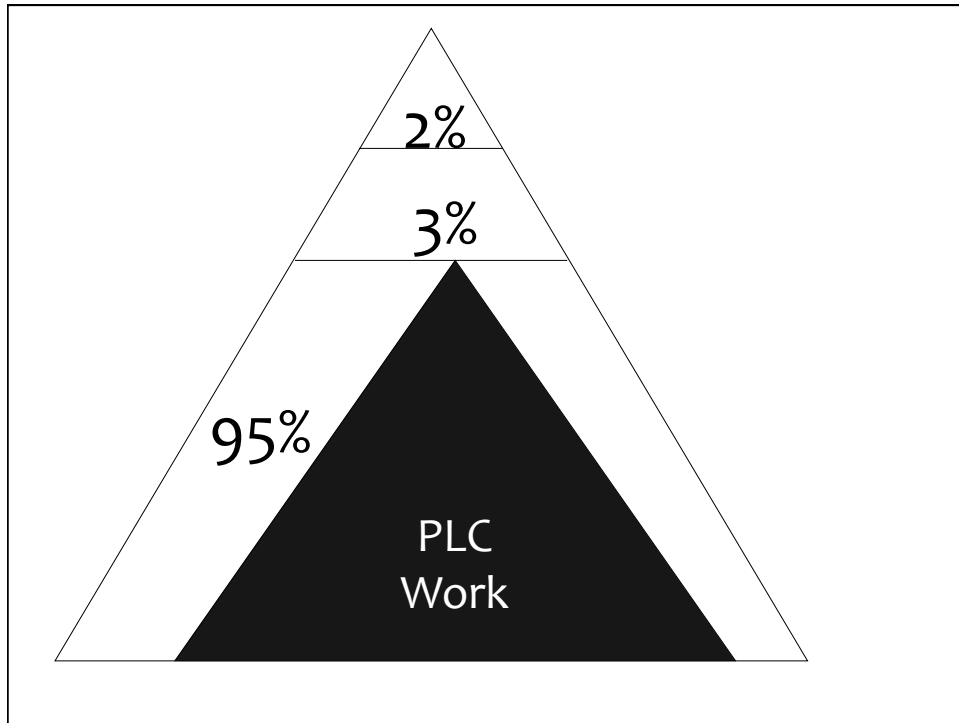
There is no easy recipe. The language of interventions must be developed locally so that teachers, principals parents, and students buy into the system (process)

## How Does It Fit Together? Uniform Standard Treatment Protocol









## Data For Each Tier Where Do They Come From?

- **Tier 1:** Universal screening, accountability assessments, grades, classroom assessments, common assessments
- **Tier 2:** Universal screening—group-level diagnostics (maybe), systematic progress monitoring, large-scale assessment data and classroom assessment, common assessments
- **Tier 3:** Universal screenings, individual diagnostics, intensive and systematic progress monitoring, formative assessment, other informal assessments

## Clear Criteria

You **MUST** have clear entry and exit criteria

**Elementary Reading Cut Scores 2011-2012**

**NOTE:** Consider need for Tier 2 intervention if criterion is met for at least one shaded assessment, plus any one other. Consider need for Tier 3 if scores are below the 10th percentile on one shaded assessment plus any one other.

	<b>ISEL Composite</b>	<b>MAP</b>	<b>R-CBM</b>	<b>MAZE</b>	<b>ISAT</b>
1	Below 25th Percentile		F=20 W=40 S= 60		
2		Below 35th Percentile  Below 25th Percentile triggers screening by Reading Specialist at Elementary Level	F=45 W= 65 S= 90	F= 4 W= 10 S= 15	
3			F= 75 W= 100 S= 119	F= 10 W= 17 S= 22	
4			F=94 W= 113 S= 127	F= 11 W=18 S= 20	Below or Academic Warning
5			F= 107 W= 125 S= 141	F=17 W= 23 S= 28	

You MUST have  
Clear entry and  
Exit criteria  
Developed  
locally

## Math Problem Solving Criteria

<b>Grades</b>	<b>ISAT</b>	<b>MAP</b>	<b>MCAP</b>	<b>MCBM</b>
<b>1-8</b>	Tier 2:  "Below" or "Academic Warning"	Tier 2:  11 <sup>th</sup> to 20 <sup>th</sup> percentile	Tier 2:  11 <sup>th</sup> to 25 <sup>th</sup> percentile	Tier 2:  11 <sup>th</sup> to 25 <sup>th</sup> percentile
	Tier 3:  "Below" or "Academic Warning"	Tier 3:  1 <sup>st</sup> to 10 <sup>th</sup> percentile	Tier 3:  10 <sup>th</sup> percentile or below	Tier 3:  10 <sup>th</sup> percentile or below

District 96 Text Complexity Expectations									
The following chart provides the F and P level text complexity expectation for District 96 students.									
The chart provides the F and P level that will be used for Formative (CFA) and Benchmark Assessments.									
Independent Expectations									
	Trimester 1			Trimester 2			Trimester 3		
Grade	Aug/Sept FA	October FA	November DBA	Nov./Dec. FA	January FA	Feb. DBA	March FA	April FA	May/June DBA
K	*	*	A/B	A/B	B	B/C	B/C	C	C/D
1	C/D	D/E	E/F	E/F	F	G/H	G/H	H	I/J
2	I	J	J	J/K	K	L	L	L/M	M
3	M	M/N	N	N	N/O	O	O	O/P	P
4	P	P/Q	Q	Q	Q/R	R	R	R/S	S
5	S	S/T	T	T	T/U	U	U	U/V	V
Based on Lexile Stretch Text Measures: Defined in 2010 as related to the common core standards. The demand of text that students should be reading									
6	950		980	980		1010	1010		1040
7	1000		1030	1030		1060	1060		1090
8	1040		1080	1080		1120	1120		1160
9	1080		1130	1130		1180	1180		1230
FA - Formative Assessments (could be Common)					DBA - District Benchmark Assessment at end of Trimester				

Organize the Data						
2014-15 SCHOOL MAP DATA						
READING						
School:	Ivy Hall School			Total # in Grade:	Total # in Grade Who Did Not Test (See list):	
Grade	Fall		Winter		Spring	
	Number of Students	Percentage of Students	Number of Students	Percentage of Students	Number of Students	Percentage of Students
MAP ≤ 25th Percentile						
MAP between the 26th and 35th Percentile						
MAP between the 36th and the 94th Percentile						
MAP between the 95th and the 97th Percentile						
MAP between the 98th and the 99th Percentile						



Organize the Data						
MATH						
<b>School:</b>	Ivy Hall School		<b>Total # in Grade:</b>		<b>Total # in Grade Who Did Not Test (See list):</b>	
<b>Grade</b>	<b>Fall</b>		<b>Winter</b>		<b>Spring</b>	
	Number of Students	Percentage of Students	Number of Students	Percentage of Students	Number of Students	Percentage of Students
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MAP between the 26th and 35th Percentile						
MAP ≥ 36th Percentile						
MAP between the 95th and the 97th Percentile						
MAP between the 98th and the 99th Percentile						

	Fall				Winter				Spring				ISAT Results		
	ISAT Correlation	#	%	Projected Performance Level %	ISAT Correlation	#	%	Projected Performance Level %	ISAT Correlation	#	%	Projected Performance Level %			
Grade 6 # Tested: 179 178(W)	W	Fall < 183	1	0.5	%B - 2.2	W	<189	1	0.56	%B - 1.12	W	<189		%B	Actual % B
	B	Fall 183-205	3	1.7		B	189-209	1	0.56		B	189-209			
	Classroom Interventions	206-209	4												
	M	Fall 206-231	64	35.8	%M/E - 97.8	M	210-239	90	50.6	%M/E - 98.9	M	210-239		%M/E	Actual % M/E
	E	Fall ≥232	111	62		E	≥240	86	48.3		E	≥240			
Grade 7 # Tested: 192 190(W)	W	Fall <186	1	0.5	%B - 2.1	W	<191	1	0.5	%B - 2.1	W	<191		%B	Actual % B
	B	Fall 186-209	3	1.6		B	191-212	3	1.6		B	191-212			
	Classroom Interventions	210-212	0												
	M	Fall 210-234	54	28.1	%M/E - 97.9	M	213-240	65	34.2	%M/E - 97.9	M	213-240		%M/E	Actual % M/E
	E	Fall ≥235	134	69.8		E	≥241	121	63.7		E	≥241			

## Structures / Schedules That Support Intervention

### Finding Time for Interventions

- The key question the staff and leadership of any school must consider in assessing the appropriateness and effectiveness of their daily schedule is, “Does the schedule provide access to students who need additional time and support during the school day in a way that does not require them to miss new direct instruction?”

Country Meadows  
Specials Schedule 2010-2011

	Grade 1	Grade 2	Grade 3	Grade 4	Grade 5
7:45-8:25					
8:25-8:30					
8:30-8:45	INTER.		Sci/SS		
8:45-9:00	8:30-9:00				
9:00-9:15		SPECIALS			
9:15-9:30					
9:30-9:45				INTER.	
9:45-10:00				9:30-10:00	
10:00-10:15		Sci/SS	SPECIALS		
10:15-10:30					
10:30-10:45					INTER.
10:45-11:00	Sci/SS	MATH			10:30-11:00
11:00-11:15		10:30-11:30		SPECIALS	Recess
11:15-11:30					11:00-11:40
11:30-11:45	Recess	Recess	MATH		Eat
11:45-12:00		11:30-12:10	11:10-12:10		
12:00-12:15	Eat	Eat			
12:15-12:30			Recess	Recess	SPECIALS
12:30-12:45	MATH		12:10-12:50	12:10-12:50	
12:45-1:00	12:15-1:15		Eat	Eat	
1:00-1:15			INTER.		
1:15-1:30			12:55-1:25	MATH	Sci/SS
1:30-1:45				12:55-1:55	
1:45-2:00	SPECIALS				
2:00-2:15				Sci/SS	MATH
2:15-2:30		INTER.			1:45-2:45
2:30-2:45		2:15-2:45			
2:45-3:00					
3:00-3:15					

## Daily Class Schedules

### Monday - Tuesday - Friday

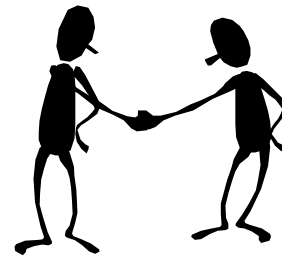
6 <sup>th</sup> Grade		7 <sup>th</sup> Grade		8 <sup>th</sup> Grade	
Period	Time	Period	Time	Period	Time
1	7:45-8:29	1	7:45-8:29	1	7:45-8:29
2	8:32-9:16	2	8:32-9:16	2	8:32-9:16
3	9:19-10:05	3	9:19-10:05	3	9:19-10:05
4	10:08-10:52	4	10:08-10:52	4	10:08-10:52
Lunch	10:52-11:22	5	10:55-11:39	5	10:55-11:39
5	11:25-12:09	Lunch	11:39-12:09	6	11:42-12:26
6	12:12-12:56	6	12:12-12:56	Lunch	12:12-12:56
7	12:59-1:43	7	12:59-1:43	7	12:59-1:43
8	1:46-2:30	8	1:46-2:30	8	1:46-2:30

### Wednesday - Thursday

6 <sup>th</sup> Grade		7 <sup>th</sup> Grade		8 <sup>th</sup> Grade	
Period	Time	Period	Time	Period	Time
1	7:45 - 8:25	1	7:45 - 8:25	1	7:45 - 8:25
2	8:28 - 9:08	2	8:28 - 9:08	2	8:28 - 9:08
3	9:11 - 9:53	3	9:11 - 9:53	3	9:11 - 9:53
4	9:56 - 10:36	4	9:56 - 10:36	4	9:56 - 10:36
Lunch	10:36 - 11:06	5	10:39 - 11:19	5	10:39 - 11:19
5	11:09 - 11:49	Lunch	11:19 - 11:49	6	11:22 - 12:02
6	11:52 - 12:32	6	11:52 - 12:32	Lunch	12:02 - 12:32
Academic	12:35 - 1:05	Academic	12:35 - 1:05	Academic	12:35 - 1:05
7	1:08 - 1:48	7	1:08 - 1:48	7	1:08 - 1:48
8	1:51 - 2:30	8	1:51 - 2:30	8	1:51 - 2:30

## Interventions Continue to Evolve...

1. Additional interventions offered during the school day
2. Make interventions mandatory !
  - ♦ Students cannot opt out,
  - ♦ Teachers and parents can not waiver out.
3. Make interventions flexible
  - ♦ Students need an incentive to work their way out of the intervention,
  - ♦ Flexible interventions serve more students



## Administrative Support for Interventions

- Provide TIME for teachers to create appropriate groupings of students and design effective support to meet the identified needs.
- Secure the necessary resources - time, money, space and personnel.
- Ensure access to ongoing, accurate data
- Maintain the guidelines when parents and students object to participation in the Intervention.



## RTI and PLCs: A Perfect Fit

- Collective responsibility for **all** learners
- Improved results for all including the most at risk
- Improvement in core curriculum and outcomes
- Results orientation: decisions driven by data
- Fluid access to a system of intervening for **all**

## Thoughts for Teams



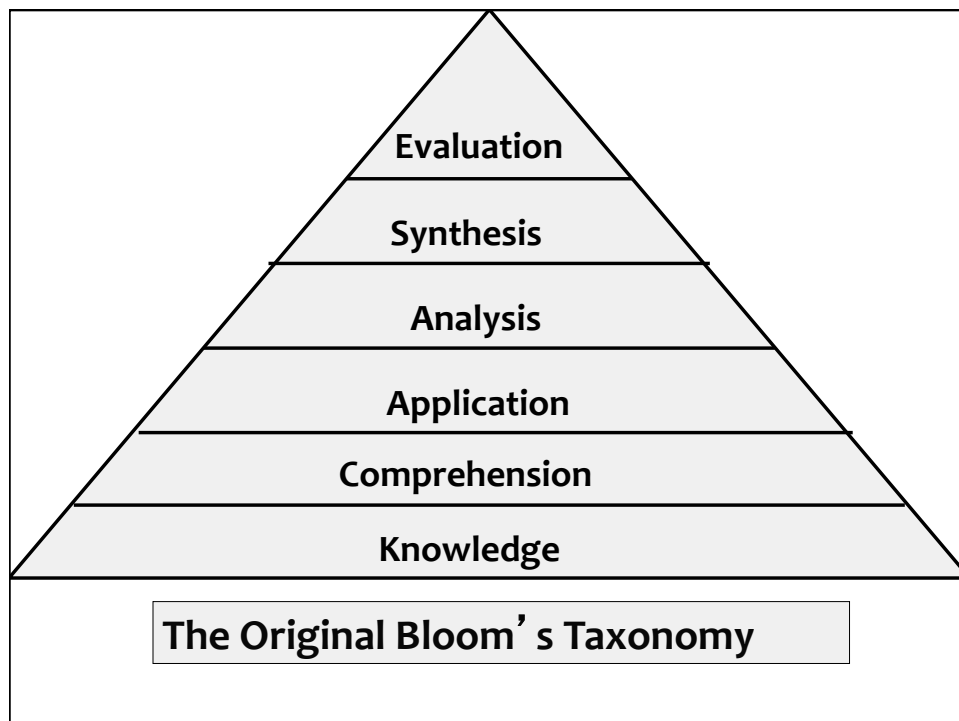
Share one thing you just heard that you did not know or that merits further local discussion.

Consider the intervention current reality assessment.

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## Question #4

**What Will We Do if Students Have  
Already Learned It?**



**Table 3.3: Mental Processes Associated With Each Level of the New Taxonomy**  
**Level of Difficulty Mental Processes**

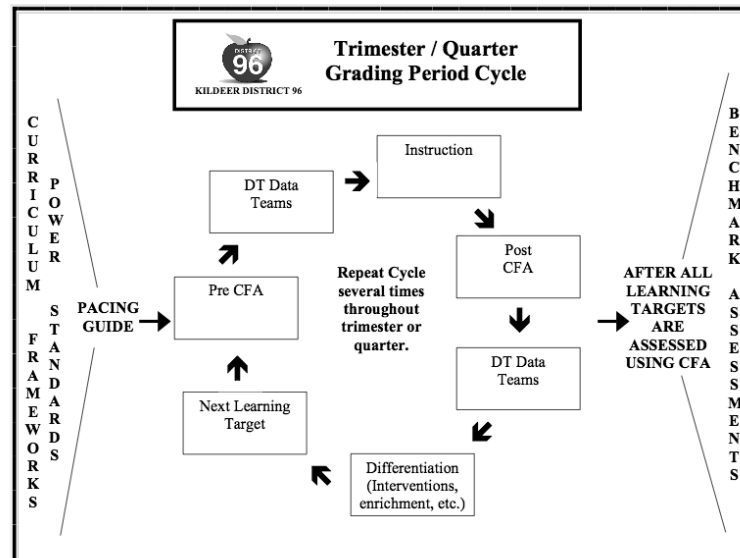
Level 4: Knowledge Utilization	Decision Making Problem Solving Experimenting Investigating
Level 3: Analysis	Matching Classifying Analyzing Errors Generalizing Specifying
Level 2: Comprehension	Integrating Symbolizing
Level 1: Retrieval	Recognizing Recalling Executing

### Marzano and Kendall's Taxonomy

4	<b>Advanced learning target:</b> Inferences and applications that go beyond what was taught
3	<b>Target learning target:</b> Complex ideas and processes that have been explicitly taught
2	<b>Simpler learning target:</b> Simpler details and processes that have been explicitly taught
1	<b>Partial credit with help</b>
0	<b>Even with help no success</b>

GRADE 8 ENGLISH/ LANGUAGE ARTS EXAMPLE	4	Advanced learning target: What would have happened if the textual evidence was different? How would the story change?
	3	Target learning target: Cite the textual evidence that most strongly supports an analysis of inferences drawn from the text.
	2	Simpler learning target: Given an inference one might make, identify the textual evidence (from a list) that most strongly supports it.
	1	Partial credit with help
	0	Even with help no success

## Grading Period Cycle





## Elementary Extension/Acceleration in Math 2013-2014

	Extension	Acceleration	Acceleration and/or Extension
	1. Classroom Level: 4.0 Learning Targets	1. 5th Grade Students in Pathway 3 6th grade Math	1. Extended Math for 4th and 5th Graders  2. Individualized Learning Plans (ILPs)
<b>QUALIFICATIONS</b>	All students who demonstrate mastery of 3.0 learning targets	At the end of 4th grade, 5th grade students who demonstrate a high level of proficiency on the MAP test are given all of the components of the 5th grade MS placement matrix. Students qualify with a specific overall matrix score.	<b>1. Extended Math:</b> 4th & 5th grade students who demonstrate a high level of proficiency on the MAP, and a high level of proficiency on the D96 learning targets prior to regular instruction (unit pre-assessment) on a unit to unit basis. <b>2. ILPs</b> Students in Grades K-5 who demonstrate advanced math

## Module 6: Capacity, Change & Leadership



“Strong learning communities develop when principals learn to relinquish a measure of control and help others participate in building leadership throughout the school.”

—McLaughlin & Talbert, *Building School-Based Professional Learning Communities* (2006), p. 81

Shared leadership is based on the concept of the school as a community of learners and recognition of the fact that the principal can’t do it alone.

(Hallinger, “Research on the Practice of Instructional and Transformational Leadership: Retrospect and Prospect,” 2007)

## The Shifts Are Significant

A *shift* in fundamental purpose

A *shift* in the use of assessments

A *shift* in response when students don’t learn

A *shift* in the work of teachers

A *shift* in focus

A *shift* in school culture

A *shift* in professional development

(See “Shifts” handout.)

Do we have the capacity  
to make the *shifts*?

### Where to Begin ...

Knowing the **why** behind the work

Engaging people's moral purpose

Knowing the **why** of change

Committing to raising the bar and closing the gap even for the most disadvantaged

## Why?

What does your local data say?

Who isn't making it?

What is your current reality?

## What Great Leaders Do ...

- They create strong teams with complementary strengths.
- They understand the importance of shared leadership.

Richard DuFour calls this a  
**guiding coalition.**

## Building a Guiding Coalition

“We’ve yet to find a single instance in which one talented person ... accounted for most, let alone 100 percent, of the success. ‘You can’t do it alone.’ Leadership ... is a team performance. ... The winning strategies will be based on the ‘we not I’ philosophy. Without people we can’t get extraordinary things done in organizations.”



—Kouzes & Posner, *The Leadership Challenge* (2003), p. 22

## What Is a Guiding Coalition?



It is an alliance of key members of an organization who are specifically charged to lead a change process through the predictable turmoil.

Members of the alliance should have **shared goals** and high levels of trust.

The principal must be the champion for the belief and its most vocal supporter.

## Three Keys to Building a Guiding Coalition

1. Choose the right people.  
Pick people with strong position power, broad experience, high credibility, and real leadership skill.
2. Grow the coalition strategically.  
Entertain a diversity of views and voices.
3. Work as a team, not just a collection of individuals.  
Do the real work together. Share a vision and commitment.

—Kotter, *Leading Change* (1996)

## Guiding Coalition: Include Opinion Leaders

- Who supports an idea is more important to its adoption than the merits of the idea.
- About 15 percent of organization members are *opinion leaders*—socially connected, knowledgeable, and trusted by others in the organization. Get them on board and the others will follow.

(Grenny, Patterson, Maxfield, McMillan, & Switzler, *Influencer: The Power to Change Anything*, 2008)

## Guiding Coalition

- Getting everyone on board is a challenge, and you can't wait until you do to begin the work.
- Does a guiding coalition already exist in your setting?
- What would it take to develop one?
- Identify individuals who would make up a strong guiding coalition.
- Quick! You have three minutes. Go!

## Yes, But ...

Resistance comes in different ways:

- Lack of knowledge
- Lack of skills
- Lack of confidence and self-efficacy

**Which of these resisters have you seen the most?**

## Change Someone's Mind

- **Reasoning and rationale thinking:**  
“We can accomplish more working together collaboratively instead of in isolation.”
- **Research:**  
“The research supports this initiative.”
- **Resonance:**  
“It is more equitable and fair to guarantee a curriculum no matter who is teaching.”

## Change Someone's Mind

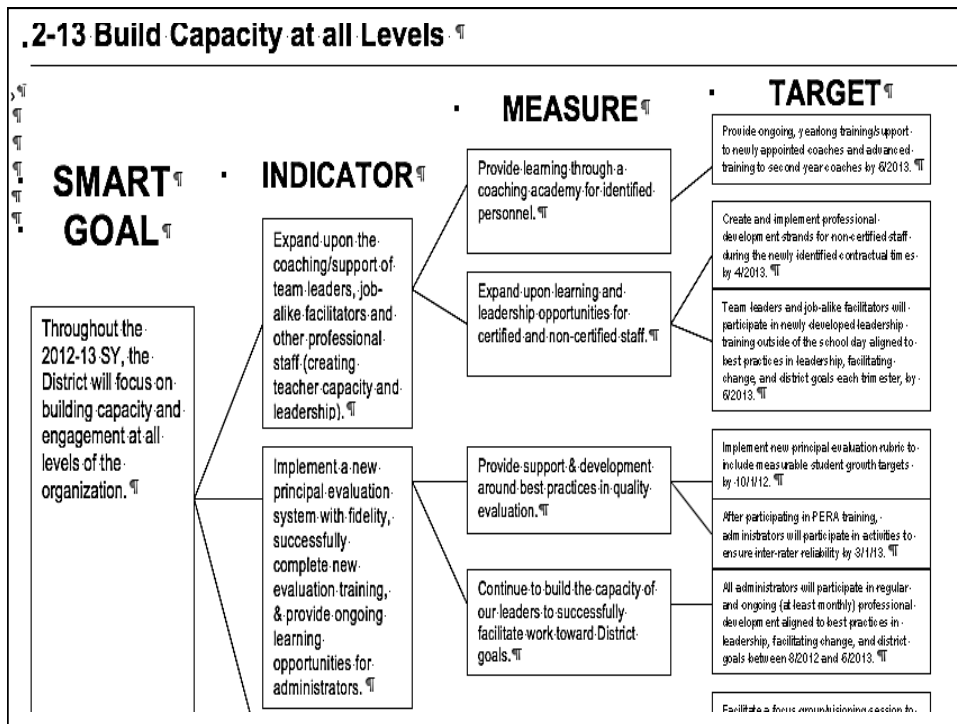
- **Representational redescription:**  
“Students are failing. This is the impact it is going to have on their lives.”
- **Rewards and resources:**  
“This is difficult. Tell me what resources you need to be successful.”
- **Real world events:**  
“There are some schools that have had success implementing programs.”
- **Require:**  
“This is the direction we are going. We have to do this.”



## Behavior Before Beliefs

## Building Capacity

Building capacity *is* a major initiative!



“Capacity often is the missing element, even when people agree on the need for change.”

—Fullan, Cuttress, & Kilcher, “Eight Forces for Leaders of Change,” *Journal of Staff Development* (2005), p. 55

## Capacity

- Top down doesn't do it.
- Bottom up = Some flourish; some languish.
- Best way to tighten up is to let peers do it!

—Fullan, Cuttress, & Kilcher, “Eight Forces for Leaders of Change,” *Journal of Staff Development* (2005)

Results in collective responsibility!

*(React to this.)*

## Change



“It is not the strongest of the species that survive, nor the most intelligent, but the one most responsive to change.”

—Charles Darwin

## Things That Make You Go “Hmm ...”

### Pick one!

- Shared vision and ownership are more the outcome of a quality change process than they are a precondition.
- “The first overriding principle is knowledge about the *why* of change ...”

(Fullan, *The Challenge of Change: Start School Improvement Now*, p. 194)

## Things That Make You Go “Hmm ...”

### Pick one!

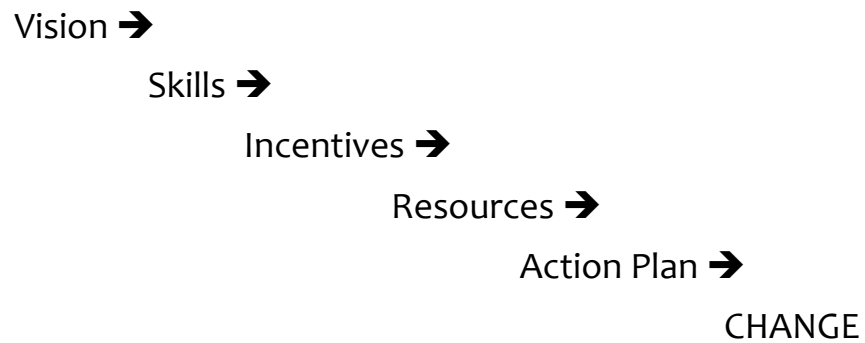
- “All eventual successful change proceeds through an ‘implementation dip.’”

—Fullan & St. Germain, *Learning Places: A Field Guide for Improving the Context of Schooling* (2006), p. 21

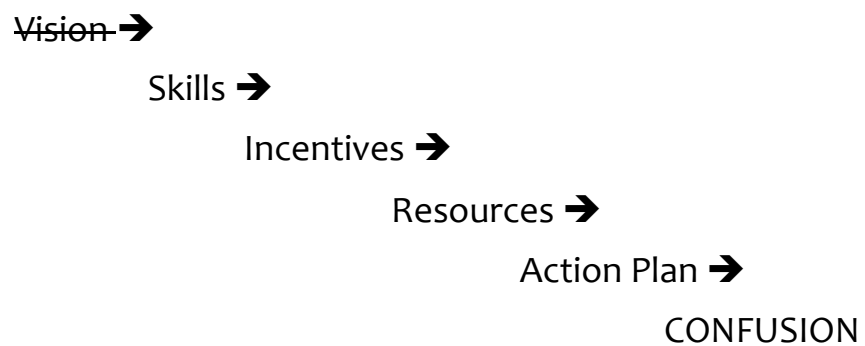
- “Since change involves grappling with new beliefs and understandings, and new skills, competencies, and behaviors, changes will not go smoothly in the early stages of implementation (even if there has been pre-implementation preparation).”

—Fullan, Cuttress, & Kilcher, “Eight Forces for Leaders of Change,” *Journal of Staff Development* (2005), pp. 56–57

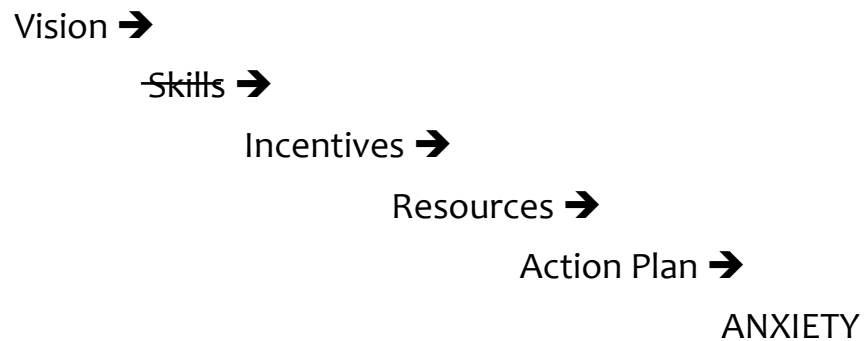
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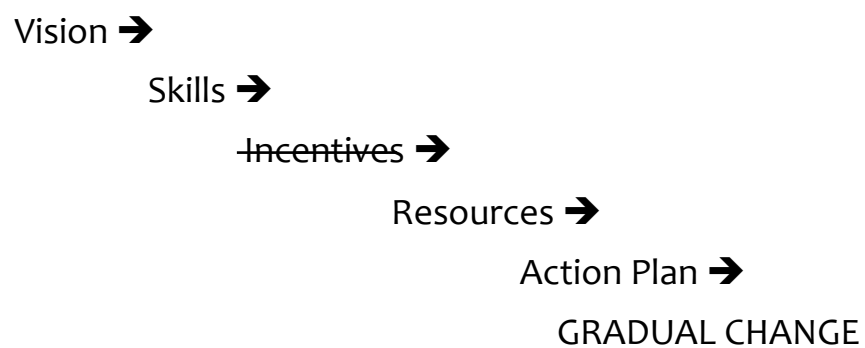
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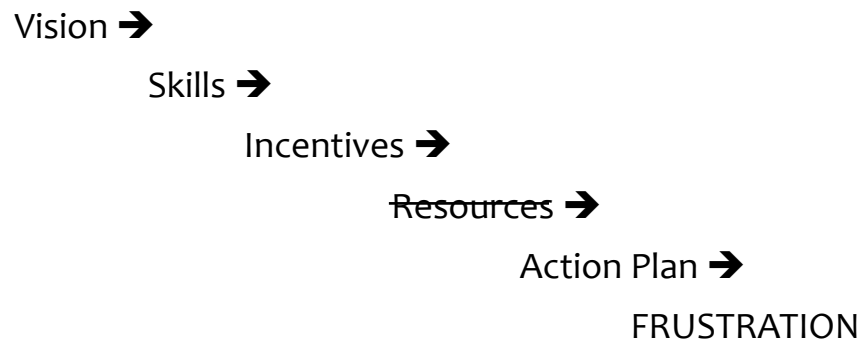
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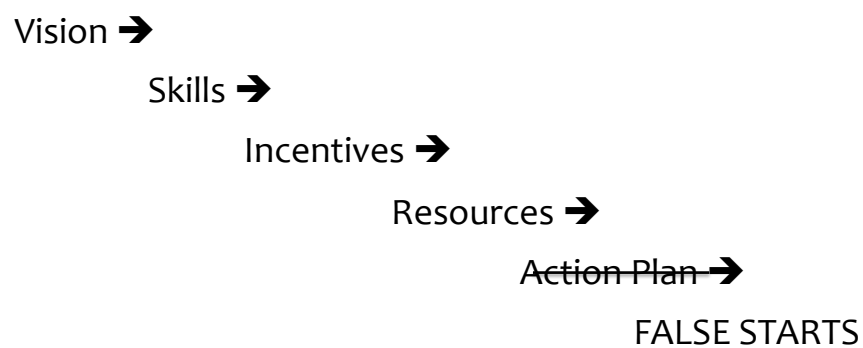
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## Managing Complex Change

Vision	Skills	Incentives	Resources	Action Plan	CHANGE
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Vision	-----	Incentives	Resources	Action Plan	ANXIETY
Vision	Skills	-----	Resources	Action Plan	GRADUAL CHANGE
Vision	Skills	Incentives	-----	Action Plan	FRUSTRATION
Vision	Skills	Incentives	Resources	-----	FALSE STARTS

(The Managing Complex Change model,  
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## Get Up and Move!

- Find someone in the room you don't know.
- Share one change experience you have had and whether it was a positive or not-so-positive experience.
- Refer to the Managing Complex Change matrix. What might have been missing?



## Managing Complex Change

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## React

**“People need to know at the beginning of the change process, the losses are specific and tangible (it is clear what is being left behind), but gains are theoretical and distant.”**

—Fullan & St. Germain, *Learning Places: A Field Guide for Improving the Context of Schooling* (2006), p. 22

## React

**“The clearer the new vision, the easier it is for people to see all the specific ways in which they may feel incompetent. Many prefer to be competent at the (old) wrong thing than incompetent at the (new) right thing.”**

—Black & Gregersen, *Leading Strategic Change: Breaking Through the Brain Barrier* (2003), p. 70

## Self-Efficacy

## What Have We Learned? What Does Research Tell Us?

- There are professional, ethical, moral, and societal repercussions for not being invested in a continuous cycle of improvement.
- Capacity is often what is missing even when we agree on the need for change.
- A guiding coalition is critical to the work.
- Clarity preceded competence.
- Peers have the most significant and immediate impact on practice.
- Change is complex, but understanding what is a normal part of change will get us through.

## Module 7: Self Assessment & Action Planning



The problem in schools is that teams almost never start out as great teams. If the staff observes that the principal is unwilling to confront the obvious violations of PLC concepts, the initiative will soon begin to unravel.

The norms of behavior for any organization is shaped by what the leaders will tolerate.

*Whatever it Takes, 2004*

## **Professional Learning Community Schools**

*Community begins with a shared vision. It's sustained by teachers who, as school leaders, bring inspiration and direction to the institution. Who, after all, knows more about the classroom? Who is better able to inspire children? Who can evaluate, more sensitively, the educational progress of each student? And who but teachers create a true community for learning? Teachers are, without question, the heartbeat of a successful school.*

Ernest Boyer (1995, p. 31)

***What we know today does  
not make yesterday wrong,  
it makes tomorrow  
better.***

Carol Commodore

<b>Culture / Beliefs</b> <b>All students can learn to high levels</b> <b>We must take collective responsibility for the learning of ALL students</b>	
Strengths	Weaknesses
Opportunities	Potential Barriers
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