

Middle School Principal Network

Facilitated discussions with Mike Mattos

September 18, 2009

Beyond “Buy-In”: Creating Consensus and Owner in a PLC

The biggest obstacle most schools face when starting down the road to becoming a PLC is a lack of staff “buy-in”. In reality, it is not a question of “buy-in”, but a need to create collective “ownership”. This session will review the obstacles to creating consensus and provide practical, proven strategies to overcome these barriers.

December 8, 2009

On Solid Ground: How PLC Practices Create the Foundation for a Successful Intervention Program

To achieve high levels of learning, a school must create a system of interventions that ensures every child the additional time and support needed to succeed. To this end, many school intervention programs fall short of this goal because they lack the proper foundation...that is, the collaborative culture, curricular focus, and on-going student learning data needed to create timely, targeted, highly-effective interventions. This presentation will share practical, proven PLC practices that teams can use to put their interventions “on solid ground”.

March 5, 2010

Learning CPR: Creating Powerful Responses When Students Don’t Learn

The most significant difference between a “traditional” school and a professional learning community is how a school responds when students don’t learn...or as Rick DuFour says, “Don’t tell me you believe that all kids can learn...tell me what you are doing about the kids that aren’t learning”. In this session, participants will learn the essential characteristics of effective interventions and how to create a systematic process that ensures every child will receive the time and support needed to succeed.

All meetings will be held at Marin County Office of Education
3:30 p.m. – 5:30 p.m.

* Please note at the request of your site principal, teacher leaders will be invited to participate.

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