

Consulting/Training Options

- Provide professional development workshops.
- Lead planning sessions with teams of teachers (grade level, subject area, cross-curricular).
- Facilitate implementation of best practices/strategies within classrooms providing modeling.
- Guide evaluation of implementation of best practices/strategies and create plans for future implementation.
- Lead “Make and Take” workshops for creation of materials to support best practices/strategies in classrooms.

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Best Instructional Practices

Creating a Learning Environment That Works

“The only way to improve outcomes is to improve instruction.”

- Michael Barber & Mona Mourshed, *“How the World’s Best-Performing School Systems Come Out on Top”*

Why can't I reach ALL of my learners?



Teachers are being asked to complete an excessive amount of record keeping and paperwork on a daily basis, while at the same time, produce well-rounded students who show evidence of meeting high expectations. The pressure placed upon educators has become overwhelming to many. The challenge of managing student behavior, providing clear expectations, motivating students, assessing, evaluating, differentiating, remediating, implementing technology, and showing evidence of growth, often all in a day, seems an impossible task.

What Works? How do I get them all to learn?

Many classroom leaders feel that lack of time and finances prevents them from:

- Obtaining helpful resources.
- Conducting independent research.
- Attending professional development workshops.

This is where an educational consultant comes in. The consultant can:

- Make helpful resources available.
- Share research.
- Model best practices.
- Model successful, supportive classroom strategies.
- Develop supportive classroom materials.
- Model implementation of, and facilitate creation of classroom materials.
- Help create appropriate assessments.
- Support lesson planning based on assessment.

What are the specific topics of this professional development?



- Conducting pre-assessment through post-assessments, both formative and summative.
- Getting to know your students.
- Differentiating instruction.
- Motivating and engaging your students.
- Employing best literacy practices.
- Using math instruction that works.
- Teaching writing in the content areas.
- Engaging the brain.
- Meeting the goals of the Common Core.