### PROFESSIONAL LEARNING COMMUNITIES (PLC'S)

A TRUE PLC IS SYSTEMIC AND SCHOOLWIDE A PLC IS A BEST PRACTICE – MORE IMPORTANTLY IT IS A SHARED LEADERSHIP. A COLLABORATIVE ACCOUNTABILITY FOR ALLY STUDENT LEARNING. PLC TEACHERS MUST BECOME LEADERS.

EACH PLC MUST HAVE A VISION – A PROFILE – A PLAN – AND GET RESULTS. TEACH WITH A PASSION AND PERSISTENCE.

NO PLC CAN OPERATE EFECTIVELY WITHOUT A CULTURE THAT IS CONGENIAL, COLLEGIAL, AND COLLABORATIVE.

# WHERE DOES THE COLLABORATIVE PIECE START?

- Job Embedded
- Collaborative inquiry
- Action Based

TEACHERS MUST HAVE A CULTURE AND VALUE BASED TRANSISTION

WE MUST HAVE COMMON PACING GUIDES AND COMMON ASSESSMENTS.

ARE YOU TEACHING OR SPENDING MORE TIME PREPARING TO TEACH?

TEACHING THE SAME THING AT THE SAME TIME – HOW IS IT STILL INDIVIDUALIZED.

# EACH TEAM MUST HAVE ESTABLISHED:

- PROTOCOLS
- ASSESSMENTS
- FEEDBACK SHEETS

### **EACH TEAM MUST ANSWER 3 QUESTIONS:**

- WHAT DO YOU EXPECT THEM TO LEARN
- HOW WILL WE KNOW WHEN THEY HAVE LEARNED IT

• HOW WILL WE RESPOND WHEN THEY HAVE LEARNED OR NOT LEARNED

DO OUR CURRICULUM UNITS PARALLEL THE WESTEST FORMAT?

A SYSTEMIC APPROACH ACROSS THE ENTIRE BUILDING

IS OUR SYSTEMIC APPROACH BASED ON THE THREE TEIRED INTERVENTION MODEL (PYRAMID).

- BASE TEACHER INTERVENTION, HOMEWORK, DI ETC
- MIDDLE COUNSELOR, INTERVENTIONIST, PARENT, TUTORS, HOMEWORK CLUB ...
- POINT RETENTION?

### A PLC'S RESPONSE TO INTERVENTION

- TIMELY
- INTERVENTION NOT RETEACH / REDEDICATION
- DIRECTED NOT VOLUNTARY

#### PHASE III?

- DEVELOP MULTIPLE INDICATORS OF STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT (COMMON BENCHMARK) AND USE THAT INFOR TO PROMOTE CONTINUOUS INDIVIUDUAL IMPROVEMENT.
- CREATE SCHOOL-WIDE SYSTEMS TO MONITOR EACH STUDENT'S ATTAINMNET ON A TIMELY, ONGOING BASIS.
- USE THE PYRAMID OF INTERVENTIONS, YOU DESIGN, TO ENSURE STUDENTS RECEIVE ADDITIONAL TIME AND SUPPORT WHEN THEY LEARN.
- CONTINUE THE STRATEGIES FOR EACH GOAL OF THE NCA/SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT PLAN AND COLLECT DATA ON THE RESULTS OF STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT.
- FINALLY, A UNIFORM GRADING SYSTEM, PRACTICES, EXPECTATIONS. WHERE A STUDENT NEVER GETS A 0, (I) REDO ON THEIR OWN TIME UNTIL THE STANDARD IS COMPLETE (THE WHOLE IDEA OF OUR FOLIOS)?

CELEBRATE AND REWARD WHAT THE CHILDREN HAVE ACHIEVED. WIN OFTEN AND EARLY.

### **BARRIERS TO A PLC:**

- TEACHER ISOLATION CULTURE
- SINGLE SCHOOL TRANSISTION
- RESPONSE TO RESISTORS
- TEACHER CONTRACTS
- SCHOOL DAY SCHEDULE
- TEACHER INSECURITY
- WEAK LEADERSHIP
- UNFOCUSED TEAM MEETINGS.

# **AFRICAN PROVERB:**

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