



PLC SPOTLIGHT

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DVUSD is Bringing Collaborative Teams to Life!

"A professional learning community is an ongoing process in which educators work collaboratively in recurring cycles of collective inquiry and action research to achieve better results for the students" (DuFour, Eaker, & Many, 2010). Within DVUSD, the PLC culture is gaining momentum! At the heart of this is a high level of learning for ALL of our students!

Across the entire district, Friday early release time has taken a shift towards teachers working in collaboration and talking in depth about students' learning. Thank you to DVUSD teachers for your professional engagement within Collaborative Teams.



Digging Deeper: Learning Progressions

PLC Driving Question One. What do we want our students to know and be able to do?

Teacher Clarity has an effect size of 0.75 (Hattie, 2009). A crucial part of teacher clarity is being able to answer PLC Question One. Using the backwards design planning, a sequence of **learning progressions** are created based on the essential standard. These **progressions** detail the order of student learning to support student mastery. Teachers decide where to start and what to include in instruction based on their knowledge of their students.

PLC Pride!

- "We have never looked at standards so intensively before!"
8th Grade Teacher
- "This year my role has been utilized more. Within our Collaborative Team, I am helping students that are not on my roster."
Special Education Teacher
- "If we were alone on Friday early dismissals, we would not be doing this extensive of work."
7th Grade Teacher
- "Our interim scores for phonemic awareness proficiency have never been this high. We attribute it to the work within our Collaborative Team."
Kindergarten Collaborative Team
- "I believe our High School Collaborative Band Team will transform our teaching and learning over time."
High School Band Teacher
- "Our team has formed a very tight bond because of our time together."
Facilitator of a Collaborative Team



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