

The Power of Collaboration

A professional learning community (PLC) or grade level meeting where teachers meet regularly, set goals, share ideas/strategies, encourage professional development, and commit to a shared educational vision.

TIPS:

- Believe that collaboration can benefit your students
- Set a regular meeting time
- Discuss goals for your students/team
- Share your resources, methods, tools, and learn from one another
- Focus on your results and monitor your success
- Develop creative strategies to help students who are not meeting goals you have set
- Invite team members to bring a new problem to each meeting and collaborate on a positive solution
- Read websites and blogs to keep up with what other PLCs are doing
- Support one another in your commitment to helping all students learn

Meeting Agenda Suggestions:

- State Standards
- Classroom Management/Effective Strategies and Procedures
- Data Analysis/Assessment to drive your instruction
- RTI (Tier I, Tier II, Tier III)
- Revised Bloom's Taxonomy
- Thoughtful Classroom
- Six-Trait Writing/Writing Portfolios/Writing Rubrics
- Higher Order Thinking Strategies
- Strategies for On/Above Grade Level Students
- Small Group Differentiated Instruction
- Learning Centers

- Balanced Literacy implementation
- Balanced Math/Math strategies
- Brain-Based Learning
- Parental Involvement/Communication/Conferences