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**Issue #6: January 20, 2012**



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**Greetings Integration Districts!**

This month has been very integral for LDC and MDC progress. The Project Managers from our Integration Districts participated in two professional development opportunities this week. On Monday and Tuesday, they met with the LDC consultants to participate in a Train-the Trainer session for LDC. A portion of the training was dedicated to learning about the online resource tool, Module Creator from MetaMetrics, that will be introduced during our LDC trainings in Loveland and Durango at the end of this month. During the LDC training, teachers will have the opportunity to create their modules electronically. The project managers worked with the LDC consultants to schedule additional training dates for the remainder of the school year. Teachers will receive an update letter from their Project Managers today or Monday!

Project Managers then flew off to New Orleans for three full days of math training with Math Solutions in preparation for our upcoming Math Solutions training in Denver.

One of the most significant outcomes from this week has been the trust and rapport building that is now established across our integration districts. Our greatest hope is that our LDC and MDC participants will have time to form cross-district relationships as well. We desire for our teachers to embrace the upcoming work as an opportunity to gain strategic curricular knowledge and expand their professional community of colleagues.

Best,  
Jeri Crispe-

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**Tools and Resources: Highlights from the Field**

## **Guides for Creating an Evaluation System**

Evaluation systems are much more likely to be accepted, successfully implemented, and sustained if stakeholders are included. Stakeholder involvement throughout the design, implementation, assessment, and revision of teacher evaluation systems increases the likelihood that the system is perceived as responsive, useful, and fair. There are resources available to help school and district leaders successfully engage all stakeholders, including: **[A Practical Guide to Designing Comprehensive Teacher Evaluation Systems: A Tool to Assist in the Development of Teacher Evaluation Systems](#)**.

Component Two of the Guide, “**[Securing and Sustaining Stakeholder Investment and Cultivating a Strategic Communication Plan](#)**” provides district and school leaders with guiding questions that will assist in developing a communication strategy.

The **Colorado Legacy Foundation** developed a guide based on the lessons learned from three Colorado school districts, Brighton, Eagle, and Harrison, who implemented new evaluation systems and are sharing their pitfalls and successes. This resource and others can be accessed by clicking **[HERE](#)**.

## **Partner Announcements**

## **CDE Standards Implementation Update**

The Colorado Department of Education (CDE) supports districts and schools with implementation of Colorado’s Academic and English Language Proficiency Standards. In June 2011, CDE launched a **[Standards Implementation Toolkit](#)** with resources for district and school leaders in the transition to the new standards. In upcoming Integration Newsletters, different resources will be highlighted. A great place to start exploring the Toolkit is through the **[curriculum design tools](#)**.

Sign up to receive a bi-weekly Standards eUpdate (click **[HERE](#)**) to keep up with all of the news related to standards implementation from the Colorado Department of Education.

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**Colorado Literacy Design Collaborative Cohort 1 Training Dates**

**January 26-27, 2012**

8:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.  
Thompson School District  
800 S. Taft Ave.  
Loveland, CO 80537

**January 30-31, 2012**

8:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.  
San Juan BOCES  
201 East 12th Street  
Durango, CO 81301



**Math Design Collaborative Cohort 1 Training Dates**

**February 6-8, 2012**

Hilton Garden Inn Denver Downtown  
1400 Welton Street  
Denver, CO  
PH: (303) 603-8000

Questions? Please contact Carla Wietgreffe at (415) 339-4814 or email at [cwietgreffe@mathsolutions.com](mailto:cwietgreffe@mathsolutions.com).

**Meet and Greet: Integration District Project Managers**

For the next few issues we would like to introduce you to the Integration District Project Managers. We will highlight one Project Manager per issue.



**Upcoming Grant Activities**

**January 2012**

**January 26 & 27-** LDC Teacher Leader Training-Thompson School District-Loveland, CO

**January 30 & 31-** LDC Teacher Leader Training- SJ BOCES- Durango, CO

Strategic Data Partners begin work with Integration Districts

**February 2012**

**February 6, 7, 8-** MDC Teacher Leader Training-Denver, CO

Educators from Integration Districts implement one LDC module (Cohort 1)

**March 2012**

**March 5-**Colorado Educator Effectiveness Summit: 191 Into Action-Westminster, CO

**March 6-** Colorado Standards Implementation

**Lanny Hass**

Colorado Integration Project-Thompson School District



**Hometown:** Loveland, Colorado  
**College:** Colorado State University  
**Major:** Mathematics

Prior to accepting the position as project manager for the Thompson School District, I was an assistant principal for seven years at Thompson Valley High School. I taught middle and high school mathematics for sixteen years before moving into administration.

**Proudest Accomplishment:** My proudest accomplishment would be my role as a husband and father. I am very blessed with my relationship with my wife, Suzanne, and even more so with two awesome young men as sons, Tory and Koby!

**What would you do if you didn't have to work?** I would most likely still be working in the capacity of allowing young people an opportunity to meet the challenges associated with growing and learning, maybe, just not as often.

**Email Lanny** - or call- 970.613.5027

Summit: Transforming Standards Based Learning for Colorado- Westminster, CO

**March 27 & 28-** LDC Teacher Leader Training- Thompson School District- Loveland, CO

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**April 2012**

**April 16 & 17-** LDC Teacher Leader Training- SJ BOCES- Durango, CO

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**June- October 2012**

Educators continue LDC training (Cohorts 1, 2 and 3)

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