As we begin . . .

Find a table that corresponds to a core focus area for your staff this year. You will later have a short group activity organized around these topics.

- STEM/ NGSS
- Math
- Differentiated Instruction
- Instructional Technology
- Reading, Writing, & Literacy
- MAP/ Use of Data
- Developing PLCs
- Other

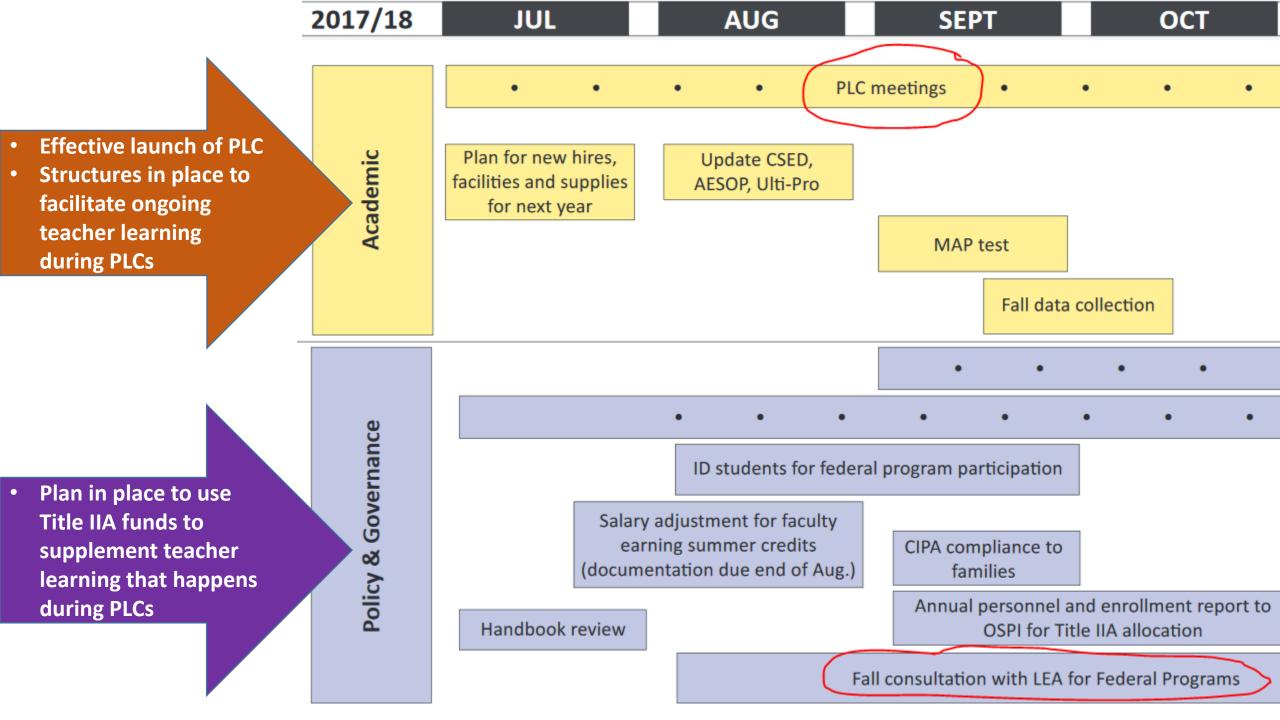
PURPOSE

- The **purpose** of this session is . . .
 - **to** engage in collaborative reflection about teacher learning
 - in a way that allows us to identify the professional development structures that best meet our school learning goals
 - so that we can plan high quality teacher learning opportunities
 - . . . which strengthen and compliment the work of GRACE.

OBJECTIVES

• Principals will understand how to structure collaboration with their school teacher leaders that will result in efficient PLC planning and a productive working relationship.

• Principals will know how to identify and provide supplementary teacher learning opportunities that will help teachers achieve the school PLC goals identified through the GRACE project.



SUMMARY- GRACE CATHOLIC EDUCATORS FORUM

- 160 teachers and principals participated
- 91% understand the goals of the GRACE project after attending CEF.
- 95% feel confident that they can collaborate with their colleagues to carry out the goals of the GRACE project at their schools.

GRACE PLC ACTIVITIES

- 1. Norms Development
- 2. Root Beliefs Development
- 3. 4 Critical Questions
- 4. Creating School Learning Goals
- 5. Creating Grade- Level SMART Goals
- 6. Formative Assessments (CFUs and Exit Tickets)
- 7. MAP Fall Post-testing
- 8. MAP Winter/Spring Post-testing
- 9. Planning and Implementing Student Interventions
- 10. Faculty PLC Continuum Self-assessment

1. Which activities do you have planned for your opening in-services?

2. What have you identified as the critical GRACE PLC meetings of the year?

PRINCIPAL- STL CHECK INS

Principal- School Teacher Leader Check-In Agenda Template

- How can this template enhance your collaboration with your STL?
- How might you use this template?
- How might you adapt it?

TITLE IIA PLC FUNDING REQUEST TEMPLATE

- ➤ Academic Excellence
 - ➤ Title IIA Resources
 - ➤ Title II for PLCs
 - ➤ Sample Math Title IIA PLC Funding Request
 - ➤ Title IIA PLC Funding Request Template

TIME TO THINK ABOUT TEACHER LEARNING!

WHAT IS LEARNING?

Learning is a process through which experience causes permanent change in knowledge, skills, and/or attitudes.

WHAT IS PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT?

Any opportunity (individual, collaborative) in which a teacher engages in learning that leads to a permanent change in knowledge, skills, and/or attitudes.

WHY PD DOES NOT WORK

- Lacks:
 - Intentional focus
 - Collaborative inquiry that challenges current practice
 - Formal and informal instructional leadership
 - Understanding that teacher learning is a process
 - Vision of an ambitious standard of teaching and student learning

WHEN PD DOES WORK

- Personal benefit
- Teachers contribute
- Control/ ownership
- Immediate implications for the teacher's classroom and practice
- Collaborative
- On-going
- Connected to system goals



On site workshops

Teacher mentoring/coaching

Reflection:
What are your
current
structures for
teacher
learning?

Faculty
meetings:
grade level,
all staff,
other

Offsite workshops& conferences



GRACE & TEACHER LEARNING

- ✓ Personal benefit
- √ Teachers contribute
- √ Control/ ownership
- ✓ Immediate implications for the teacher's classroom and practice
- ✓ Collaborative
- □On-going Yes, but how can we make it MORE ongoing??
- ✓ Connected to system goals



How can Title IIA funds help support teacher learning, while supporting the PLC goals identified through the GRACE project?

How can Title IIA funds be used?

- 1. One time on-site workshops through contracted 3rd parties
- EXAMPLE 1: St. Philomena & Holy Family Seattle
 - Opening MAP in-service with NWEA
- EXAMPLE 2: St. Madeleine Sophie & St. Anne School
 - Opening in-service on teaching students self-regulation skills with Hanna Bogen
- 2. Multiple on-site workshops through contracted 3rd parties
- EXAMPLE: Assumption St. Bridget
 - 3 on-site workshops with Math 4 Love

How can Title IIA funds be used?

- 3. Teacher mentoring/ coaching through contracted 3rd parties
- EXAMPLE: O'Dea High School
 - Better Lesson Personalized Coaching- Virtual coaching for classroom teachers
 - Instructional Coaching- Train the trainer model
- 4. Offsite workshops and conferences

5. Faculty PLC meetings (stipends for teacher leaders)

6. A combination of all of the above!

Group Activity (Part I)

- Review the PD Structures Chart and Identify the PD Structure(s) that would have the greatest impact on teacher learning in your particular focus area.
 - Consider: Which teachers will benefit?
 - Consider: Which PD criteria does this meet?
 - Consider: How does this support our PLC goals?
- 2. Review the administrative steps needed to be able to provide this learning opportunity for your teachers.
- 3. Record any questions you have about the administrative steps.

Group Activity (Part II)

- 1. Review the suggested resources for your focus area.
- 2. Record any additional resources you know of that are not included on the resources list.
- 3. Turn your list in at the end of the workshop. I will compile additional suggestions and send them out for everyone.

TO CLOSE . . .

 Turn and Talk: What are three ways you can use or apply what you've learned today?

• Group Share: What do you plan to do first?

"When the school is organized to focus on a small number of shared goals, and when professional learning is targeted to those goals and is a collective enterprise, the evidence is overwhelming that teachers can do dramatically better by way of student achievement."

- Michael Fullan