

ALL: LINKS PEER COACHING LEARNING COMMUNITY

WHAT'S NEW FOR 2010-2011?

- The LINKS (Library Integration Network Support) Peer Coaching initiative is designed to provide school administrators, school-based coaches, and media specialists with a support system aimed at building capacity for collaborative teaching partnerships within schools. The Peer Coaching model is designed to transform school library media programs into 21st century literacy learning environments that support integration of technology and curriculum of all core subject areas. For existing and new LINKS Peer Coaches, LINKS will continue to provide a collaborative "connection" through a professional learning community of mentoring and support via accomplished coaches.
- Measurable goals are written for underdeveloped areas of the program, and resources are identified to help address goals.
- Collaborative partnerships and instructional planning between the media specialist and school coaches provide additional opportunities to support school-wide goals aligned to the school improvement plan.
- District Peer Coaching Showcase, December 2010, will feature exemplary school programs and coaching best practices.

WHAT YOU NEED TO DO?

- Identify and release coaches to participate in the LINKS PLC that will meet regularly through both online and face-to-face meetings.
- Provide release time for media specialist and coaches to collaborate for planning professional development, mentoring, coaching, and school and classroom-based reading support activities.

WHAT WILL HAPPEN IF YOU DON'T?

- Student achievement may be adversely affected if the school library media program does not transition into a 21st century literacy learning environment aligned with the school's mission and goals.
- Building a school-wide culture of collaboration and community of practice will be stifled.

WHO NEEDS TO KNOW?

- Principals, Media Specialists, School-Based Coaches

HOW WILL YOU COMMUNICATE FOLLOW-UP?

- Via email on an "as needed" basis

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