

Get Results.

*Improve leadership,
teaching, and student
learning with the
Learning Forward
Center for Results*



Learning Forward Purpose

*Every educator engages in effective
professional learning every day so
every student achieves.*

Achieving Learning Forward's
purpose through programs,
technical assistance, and
consultant services



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The Learning Forward Center for Results offers technical assistance, programs, and consultant services — all aligned with Learning Forward's Standards for Professional Learning.

COACHES ACADEMY

Want to maximize the impact of your school-based instructional coaches? Let Learning Forward create a Coaches Academy to enhance the knowledge, skills, and practices of your school-based instructional coaches and support them in improving teacher practices schoolwide.

We know the skills that are most valuable to school-based leaders who want to produce results, and we know what kind of experiences move academy participants to action.

Learning Forward has provided coaches academies in more than 20 states and provinces, including:

- Waco Independent School District, Texas
- Springfield Public Schools, Mass.
- West Chester Area School District, Pa.
- Duval County Public Schools, Fla.
- Capital Region BOCES, Albany, N.Y.
- Fargo Public Schools, N.D.
- Northwest Regional Learning Consortium, Alberta

“The most significant component of our work with Learning Forward is their interest to build our capacity for designing, delivering, and sustaining standards-based, rigorous and relevant professional development within our district. There has been a huge return on investment of our precious resources for our work with Learning Forward. I recommend the organization to any district with a goal to not only increase the quality and effectiveness of professional development but to build district capacity to sustain it.”

~Linda Roman, Fort Wayne (Ind.) Community Schools

TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE

Let us provide technical assistance to support your state, district, or school's efforts to increase student achievement. We will work closely with you to determine which service or combination of services will achieve your goals for educators and students. Technical assistance for states, provinces, regional agencies, districts, schools, and other education agencies includes:

- Academies for extended professional development
- Brief writing
- Coaching for leaders
- Comprehensive planning
- Facilitation
- Policy reviews
- Program development
- Program evaluation
- Resource development
- School improvement planning
- Training of trainers

We've worked with the following:

- Arkansas Department of Education
- Fort Wayne Community Schools, Ind.
- Arizona Department of Education
- Minneapolis Public Schools, Minn.
- Hawaii Department of Education
- Rochester Public Schools, N.Y.
- Hoover City Schools, Ala.
- Pasadena Independent School District, Texas
- Rider University, N.J.

Our services to states, districts, and schools include:

- A skilled consultant to provide one-on-one assistance in the selection of objectives, program design, and presenters; and
- Complimentary Learning Forward resources: newsletters, bookmarks, and product catalogs for all participants.

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ASSESSING PROFESSIONAL LEARNING

Audits

Learning Forward's professional development audit provides baseline data about your district's current professional development program in relation to state/district goals and our Standards for Professional Learning.

By studying district data, conducting onsite interviews, observations, and focus groups, expert professional developers assess the strengths and weaknesses of your district's professional learning and recommend strategies for achieving your goals.

Past audit clients:

- Boston Public Schools, Mass.
- Erie School District, Pa.
- Webster Central School District, N.Y.

"The entire audit process, from assisting the district planning team in developing district goals for our audit to the receipt of the final written report, was one of the most professional endeavors we have experienced. The members of the Learning Forward Audit Team were very much a team of qualified experts."

— Jan Morrison, Washoe County (Nev.) School District

Standards Assessment Inventory

Our Standards Assessment Inventory (SAI) is a 60-item, online survey that provides data on a school's or district's professional development to support school improvement planning.

Each member of your staff will spend only 15 minutes responding to the online survey. The SAI price includes two administrations—one in the fall and one in the spring in one school year. Learning Forward offers reports, online resources, and face-to-face support in analyzing and using the SAI results to improve professional learning.

The Southwest Educational Development Laboratory has established the validity and reliability of this instrument.

Recent SAI clients:

- Arizona Department of Education
- Arkansas Department of Education
- Rockdale County Public Schools, Ga.
- Lewisville Independent School District, Texas
- Moraga School District, Calif.
- Juneau School District, Alaska
- Hackensack Public Schools, N.J.
- Greater Essex County District School Board, Windsor, Ontario



LEARNING EXPERIENCES

Our highly-qualified consultants will customize learning experiences that meet the unique needs of your school or district.

When you work with our consultants, you can be confident that the professional learning is aligned with our Standards for Professional Learning. These are not one-shot workshops but high-quality learning experiences designed with follow-up in mind.

Sample Topics:

- Collaborative learning teams
- Content workshops
- Differentiated instruction
- Diversity & equity
- Effective meetings
- Evaluating professional development
- Innovation Configurations
- Leadership development — teacher & principal
- Learning communities
- Learning Forward's Standards for Professional Learning
- Poverty & learning
- Powerful designs for professional learning
- School improvement planning
- School leadership team development
- Walk-throughs

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The Center for Results

WHAT IS THE LEARNING FORWARD CENTER FOR RESULTS?

The Center for Results is the new home of Learning Forward's consultant services. The purpose of the Center for Results is to support education leaders in developing systems to improve educator effectiveness and student achievement. The Center for Results offers high-impact consulting and programs strictly aligned with Learning Forward's research and body of knowledge in effective professional learning to support deep implementation in schools.

WHY DID LEARNING FORWARD CREATE A NEW ORGANIZATION CALLED THE CENTER FOR RESULTS?

Learning Forward is a nonprofit, international association of learning educators focused on increasing student achievement through more effective professional development. We advance our purpose — Every educator engages in effective professional learning every day so every student achieves — through research, networking, advocacy, publications, and conferences. We use what we know about effective practices in direct services to practitioners at all levels, and we refine our practices using a cycle of improvement that relies on data-driven planning, implementation, and evaluation.

Throughout our history, school systems and school-based educators sought guidance, technical assistance, and support in applying Learning Forward's work in schools. Our association fielded requests to hire Learning Forward and our professionals to design and implement customized seminars and training, provide sophisticated consulting, and even independently execute learning programs such as Learning Forward Coaches Academies.

Learning Forward established the Center for Results in response to the increased need and demand for field support. The Center for Results will directly support the field in implementing Learning Forward's approach to professional learning and will support Learning Forward in achieving its purpose and organizational goals.

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