

CENTENNIAL ALTERNATIVE COMPENSATION SYSTEM (CACS)

- Local Q Comp program
- 111 school districts and 71 charter schools in MN are QComp districts
 - 27 are on the waiting list for funding
- Provides additional compensation for educators based upon student achievement and teacher performance

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- Approximately 82 Professional Learning Communities (PLCs) or Collaborative Teams (CT) throughout the district
 - Each PLC/CT has a selected teacher leader called an LCL-Learning Community Leader
 - Meet 2-3 times a month
 - Peer observations
 - SMART goals
- Professional Growth Facilitator for each site

THE WORK OF PLCS

- Four Main Questions of PLCs:
 - 1. What do we expect our students to learn?
 - (Priority Standards/Expectations/Learning Targets)
 - 2. How will we know they are learning?
 - (Formative and Summative Assessment)
 - 3. How will we respond when they don't learn?
 - (Intervention)
 - 4. How will we respond if they already know it?
 - (Enrichment)
- Allows for a strong foundation of support for tiered instruction, social-emotional learning and MTSS (multi-tiered system of supports)

LEADERSHIP POSITIONS & SUPPORT

- Training annually and ongoing support
 - 95.8% of the Q-Comp leaders feel confident in leading their PLC and believe they have received the resources and training to do so

• 98% of the Q-Comp leaders report that they positively impacted the Q-Comp program and in turn, the Q-Comp program positively impacted their role as an educator

STUDENT IMPACT

- 96.6% of the teachers report that collaboration within PLCs made a positive impact on student achievement
- 94.1% of the teachers report peer observations and coaching conversations made a positive impact on their instruction.

The work of our PLC's provide a structure for identifying gaps and providing intervention

IMPACT OF PLCs in 2024-25

PLCs supported teacher resilience and collaboration necessary to support student growth, as indicated in teacher feedback:

"It has been helpful to learn more about how to support individual and groups of students by being a part of this team."

"It has been most valuable for me to use data to drive our conversations and talk about ways to support students who have high needs with behaviors or academics."

"I appreciated the opportunity to discuss curriculum and assessments that we use in our classrooms."

"Collaborating with colleagues on curriculum we use and how to support staff."

"Designated times to meet and discuss our students' learning goals and creating lessons, assessments together."

PEER OBSERVATIONS

Teachers engage in observations 6 times during the year.

During the observation, data is collected from the staff member and used in post observation reflection and meetings.

Feedback from staff indicate a greater benefit from observing than being observed.

STUDENT LEARNING GOAL

Every certified staff member sets a Student Learning Goal in October for the school year.

During the school year staff work with their PLC and students to attain their goal.

For 2024-25 98.2% of staff members met their Student Learning Goal.

BUILDING SITE GOAL

Each building sets a site goal related to literacy in October for the school year.

Most buildings use the Fastbridge test. The test is administered 3 times during the year.

For 2024-25 3 of the 10 sites met their goal
High school reports results in September

LOOKING AHEAD:

- Implementation of the new Cultural Responsive Teacher self reflection rubric in 25-26
- Continue Educlimber Training for CACS leaders in 25-26
- Using online training for CACS Leadership
- New teacher standards work for 2025-26 (TDE)

QUESTIONS???

Thank You!

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