



Date: October 7, 2011
To: David Meadows, Interim Superintendent
From: Glenda Scott
RE: Early-Release Day Professional Development Evaluation Results

Review of Goals of Phase II September 28, 2011 - The Deeply Aligned Curriculum

In Phase II of the Early-Release Day training session, the teacher leaders who were trained during the August 24, 2011 session in the use of Norman Webb's Depth of Knowledge framework and Performance Level Descriptors released by the Mississippi Department of Education returned to their schools to train their colleagues in the process of how to use this knowledge to deconstruct state objectives for grade 3-12 and the Common Core State Standards for grades K-2.

Each team of teachers utilized a PowerPoint created by the Curriculum Department in their presentation.

Upon conclusion of the training session, teachers were asked to complete an evaluation of the session. The survey presented to staff was an open-ended, written-response survey containing the following three questions:

1. What three things did you like about the professional development?
2. What two things would you have done differently?
3. What one thing could you take away and implement immediately in your classroom?

Overall the results were very positive in favor of the "train the trainer" professional development model.