New Hampshire Department of Education, Bureau of Special Education
Special Education Program Approval and Improvement Process

The mission of Special Education Program Approval is: to improve educational results for all learners.

Leadership Symposia Series

The Role of Leadership for School Improvement
Readiness for Inquiry

August 4, 2010
9:00 am – 12:00 pm
SERESC

Essential Question: What are the contributing factors to the achievement gap between students with disabilities and their non-disabled peers, and how will this gap be narrowed?

8:30 Enjoy the continental breakfast

9:00 Welcome, Introductions and Review of Symposium Outcomes

Anticipated Outcomes:
• To introduce the concept of the Focused Monitoring Leadership Symposia Series
• To introduce the Center For Comprehensive School Reform and Improvement, “Six Quality Indicators of Success”
• To review the data collected through the FM District Readiness Improvement Survey
• To identify the evidence/data gathered to substantiate effective leadership practices
• To acquire a baseline understanding of the Focused Monitoring 5 Step Inquiry Process
• To conduct and review quick business items

9:15 Focused Monitoring District Readiness for Improvement Survey: Let’s Review and Analyze the Data

Introduction to Survey Tool/Purpose/Utilization
• Data Driven Dialogue by District
• Report Out On Analysis and Possible Next Steps

10:30 Let’s Stretch and Take A Break…
10:45 Organizing Schools for Improvement by Anthony S. Bryk

1. How are these factors identified in your district goals and school improvement activities?
2. What district data and evidence exists of the impact of these factors within your system?
3. What connections can you make between the "Five Essential Supports" and the identified achievement gap that exists within your district?

 Artikel Discussion and Report Out

11:45 It’s A Wrap….Let’s Bring Our Morning to Closure

Thinking ahead to the end result of the Focused Monitoring Process
- The Improvement Plan and the Role of Leadership in sustaining school improvement

Quick Business Items…
- Establishment and Composition of Achievement Team
- FM Planning Grant Application
- FM Timeline
- College Credits
- Review the Series of Symposia
- Other

12:00 Adjourn…Informal Networking and Enjoy Lunch

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