



VANTAGE LEARNING

Measuring Success One Student at a Time

Closing the Achievement Gap in Utah with Tools and Professional Development Strategies that Work

We have a track record of closing the achievement gap in districts across the country.

Overall, we provide educators with the tools, resources and training they need to promote effective professional learning in the classroom using research-based instructional strategies.

Our Professional Development Services and Training Opportunities provide a well-structured, focused, content-driven, hands-on program that fosters improvement in student learning on a long-term basis. According to Joyce and Showers (2002), providing teachers with opportunities for practice, observation, feedback, coaching and modeling of essential skills are necessary elements leading to improved student achievement. Vantage Learning Professional Development Services and Training workshops therefore includes the following elements:

- A process that includes modeling, coaching, classroom observation, feedback, reflection, analysis, sharing and ongoing support
- Work with teachers and students in real time in the classroom
- On the spot support and feedback
- A job-embedded approach to learning as teachers are engaged in daily activities
- A focus on learning by doing and then reflecting on the experience
- Opportunities for generating and sharing insights with others
- An environment that reinforces and expands meaning and implications of what has been learned
- An effective implementation plan that promotes immediate application of what has been learned

With this in mind we are proposing that you choose one of the following Professional Development Packages in order to implement MY Access!

Package A – Initial, Basic On-site Professional Development

- Leadership and Orientation
- Learning to Use MY Access!
- Developing a Curriculum and Assessment Plan Aligned to Standards
- Using Data to Assess Student Achievement and Inform Instruction



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Package B – On-going, Systemic On-site Professional Development

- Leadership and Orientation
- Learning to Use MY Access!
- Developing a Curriculum and Assessment Plan Aligned to Standards
- Using Data to Assess Student Achievement and Inform Instruction
- Coaching and Mentoring – number of days to be determined
- Developing a Local Assessment Plan
- On-going Implementation Specialist Activities

Package C – MY Access! Academy Workshops

- A small number of educators from a district can attend an individual workshop or a series of workshops that include the following:
 1. Learning to Use MY Access!
 2. Developing a Curriculum and Assessment Plan Aligned to Standards
 3. Using Data to Assess Student Achievement and Inform Instruction
- Academies are responsive to scheduling, budgetary and collaborative district concerns
- Academies will be held at three central locations with the dates and sites to be determined

Package D – MY Access! Train-the Trainer Certification Institutes

- Phase I – Five day customized program that certifies participants to deliver ***Learning to Use MY Access!*** workshops
- Phase II - Two day customized program that certifies participants to deliver ***Developing a Curriculum and Assessment Plan***

Special Note –

Please contact us for further information and to discuss pricing and specific recommendations for the Professional Development component of the MY Access! Implementation at your district.