Overview

The Student Progress Monitoring System® (SPMS) can be a powerful tool that offers greater efficiencies in student assessment while maintaining a high-quality testing process. Plus, the results from SPMS® can be combined with other forms of assessment for additional insight into overall classroom, school, and district achievement.

As a model for successful Student Progress Monitoring System® implementation, Vantage Learning recommends that districts provide educators with the proper training to ensure that all users understand the functionality and features of the program. Most importantly, educators will learn instructional strategies that are most likely to improve student achievement across all content areas through the use of SPMS®.

What Vantage Learning Will Do:

Vantage Learning offers a comprehensive professional development program specifically designed to help administrators and teachers become comfortable with the key features of SPMS®, so that it can be integrated into the curriculum and used to its fullest potential. Administrators will work with a certified Vantage trainer to develop a plan for successful implementation, set timelines and goals for the intended use of the program, and outline what is required from an administration standpoint.

Teachers will receive a full day of training that is primarily focused on how to use and integrate the application in the classroom. Participants will learn the intricacies of SPMS® and how to navigate the application as a teacher, student, and administrator. Beyond the in-depth application training, the objective of our on-site professional development sessions is to assist in the development of essential and sustainable curriculum plans in order to meet the challenges of every school district.
Dynamic Professional Development Plan:
This may include the following offerings:

Session 1: Administrative Training
- Understand SPMS functionality
- Set district and school-wide goals for the use of SPMS
- Use reports for measuring success
- Establish a plan for communicating to all shareholders – administrators, teachers, students, parents, etc.
- Identify critical factors for the program’s success at the district and school levels
- Set timelines for use of the program
- Designate a leadership team to oversee the successful implementation of the program
- Allocate resources, as needed, for successful use of the program
- Create an evaluation plan to review and examine the challenges and successes of the program

Session 2: Teacher Training
- Demonstrate their ability to navigate SPMS as a teacher, student and administrator
- Identify student proficiency in key content areas
- Manage and monitor student growth in reading, math and science
- Reduce the time spent creating and grading assignments
- Understand how to use the various types of SPMS reports to measure student progress

Customized Coaching and Mentoring
A Vantage Trainer will work directly with teachers and students in the classroom for a pre-determined amount of time to expand teachers’ repertoire of research-based instructional strategies, to provide ongoing classroom assistance, and to boost confidence using SPMS for data-driven instruction and remediation.