

VIRGINIA SCHOOL UNIVERSITY PARTNERSHIP Professional Development Plan 2014-2015

The Virginia School University Partnership will provide continuous, connected professional development for administrators and teachers to facilitate 21st Century teaching and learning toward the goals of higher student achievement and preparation of students for life in the global society.

Objective 1- Improving Instruction

<p>VSUP Summer Leadership Conference: Teaching 21st Century Learners, Division Initiatives: Best Practices/ Lessons Learned – Description: This conference will feature keynotes from Mooresville, NC School District’s Digital Conversion initiative, the creation of a Lab School for Advanced Manufacturing Technology at Charlottesville HS, and innovative practices from school divisions in Virginia</p>	<p>Date: Wednesday, June 25 Presenters: Dr. Steve Smith, Ms. Libbey Kitten, Dr. Glen Bull, Mr. Eric Johnson</p> <p>Location: Charlottesville City High School Charlottesville, VA</p>
<p>Seatwork to Feetwork: Engaging Students in Their Own Learning - Audience K-5 Description: This is a high-energy workshop that will give teachers tons of practical strategies for engaging students in any classroom.</p>	<p>Date: Thursday, October 9 Presenters: Ron Nash</p> <p>Location: Emmet Street Holiday Inn, Charlottesville, VA</p>

Objective 2 – Higher Order Thinking Skills

<p>Test Bank - Increasing Rigor in Reading, Math, Science and Social Studies and training which focuses on vertical integration around specific topics and the creation of exemplars that can be shared</p>	<p>Dates: Tuesday, Sept 23 Tuesday, October 14 Tuesday, November 11 Tuesday, December 2 Location: Emmet Street Holiday Inn</p>
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Objective 3- Assessment

<p>Using Formative Assessment to Change Teaching - Audience: K-12 Teachers, Administrators, Instructional Leaders This session will provide models and strategies to successfully implement effective formative assessment in order to guide future instruction and move student learning forward.</p>	<p>Date: Wednesday, November 5 Presenter: Debbie Duvall Location: Emmet Street Holiday Inn, Charlottesville, VA</p>
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Objective 4 – Content Specific

Math

<p>Rigor and Relationships – Nurturing Success on the Mathematics SOL’s – Audience: Grade 3-8 Teachers Description: This workshop will assist teachers in deepening their own content knowledge while learning how to develop students' abilities to think and reason and deepen students' number sense, computation, and problem solving skills.</p>	<p>Date: Wednesday, October 15 Presenter: Dan Mulligan Location: Emmet Street Holiday Inn, Charlottesville, VA</p>
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<p>Developing Algebraic Thinking in the Middle Grades – Audience: Grade 6-8 Teachers Description: In this workshop, participants will engage in activities that will help them to think about the nature of algebraic thinking and develop strategies for helping their students develop it.</p>	<p>Date: Wednesday, October 29 Presenter: Kyle Shultz (JMU) Location: Emmet Street Holiday Inn, Charlottesville, VA</p>
<p>Using Literacy Strategies to Gain Deep Mathematical Understanding - Audience: Grades K-5 Teachers & Instructional Leaders Description: Participants will examine strategies for developing conceptual understanding and procedural fluency in mathematics through talking, listening, reading, and writing</p>	<p>Date: Thursday, October 30 Presenter: Kateri Thunder & Alisha Demchak Location: Sheraton Roanoke, VA</p>
<p>Fraction and Rational Number Boot Camp – Audience: Grades 6-8 Teachers Description: This problem-based workshop will enable participants to examine and further develop their own understanding of fractions and rational numbers.</p>	<p>Date: Wednesday, November 19 Presenter: Kyle Shultz (JMU) Location: Sheraton Roanoke, VA</p>
<p>The Mathematics Diet: An Instructional Framework for Effective Mathematics Instruction – Audience: Grades PreK-5 Teachers Description: In this workshop, participants will examine each component of the mathematics diet, why it is important for mathematical growth, and instructional strategies to implement the components in PreK-5 classrooms.</p>	<p>Date: Thursday, November 20 Presenter: Kateri Thunder & Alisha Demchak Location: Emmet Street Holiday Inn, Charlottesville, VA</p>

Reading and Writing

<p>Reading & Writing 101: Organizing & Managing the K-5 Language Arts Block - Audience - Grades K – 5 Teachers Description: This training and follow-up will focus on the nuts and bolts of organizing the elementary classroom for Language arts instruction in grades K-5. An online follow-up and coaching session will be available: An hour-long session scheduled 4-6 weeks after the training</p>	<p>Date: Tuesday, September 30 Presenters: Susan Thacker-Gwaltney Location: Emmet Street Holiday Inn, Charlottesville, VA</p>
<p>Developing Early Literacy Skills in Pre-K and Kindergarten - Audience: Pre K-K Teachers Description: Participants will examine best practices in instruction for emergent readers and writers and learn ways to differentiate instruction based on student needs. Topics covered will include phonological awareness, print awareness, concept of word, and alphabet knowledge.</p>	<p>Date: Tuesday, October 7 Presenter: Colleen Spano Location: Emmet Street Holiday Inn, Charlottesville, VA</p>
<p>Rigor and Relationships – Nurturing Success on the English/Language Arts SOL’s - Audience: Grades 3-8 Teachers Description: Participants will learn new research-based strategies to incorporate reading and writing mini-lessons into their language arts, math, science, history, arts and P.E. instruction. These dynamic strategies will complement and support guided reading and writing, readers' and writers' workshops and literature circles.</p>	<p>Date: Thursday, October 16 Presenter: Dan Mulligan Location: Emmet Street Holiday Inn, Charlottesville, VA</p>
<p>Word Study for Struggling Adolescent Readers - Audience: Grades 6-12 Teachers Description: This workshop will focus on the spelling and vocabulary needs of adolescent students who are struggling readers.</p>	<p>Date: Wednesday, November 12 Presenter: Sarah Lupo Location: Emmet Street Holiday Inn, Charlottesville, VA</p>

<p>Developing Early Literacy Skills in Pre-K and Kindergarten – Audience: PreK-K Teachers Description: Participants will examine best practices in instruction for emergent readers and writers and learn ways to differentiate instruction based on student needs.</p>	<p>Date: Tuesday, November 18 Presenter: Colleen Spano Location: Sheraton Roanoke, VA</p>
<p>Persuasive Writers: Teaching Secondary English and Content Areas with the Writing SOLs – Audience: Secondary English and Content Area Teachers Description: In this workshop, participants will examine instructional strategies for transferring students' natural use of persuasion in their everyday life to the craft of persuasive writing in English and the content areas.</p>	<p>Date: Friday, November 21 Presenter: Central Virginia Writing Project (Amy Hale & Maureen Jenson) Location: Emmet Street Holiday Inn, Charlottesville, VA</p>

Science and Math

<p>Captivate, Activate , and Invigorate the Student Brain in Math and Science - Audience: Grades 4-8 Teachers Description: The focus of this day will assist teachers in deepening their own content knowledge while learning how to develop students' abilities to think and reason and deepen students' number sense, computation, and problem solving skills.</p>	<p>Date: Tuesday, October 21 Presenter: Ann Miller Location: Emmet Street Holiday Inn, Charlottesville, VA</p>
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Objective 5 – Other Topics

<p>Crash Course for New(er) Teachers – Audience: Grades K-12 Description: This hands-on, highly participatory workshop is an opportunity to make sure the new and newer teachers in your division get a jump start on the best research-based practices our profession has to offer.</p>	<p>Date: Friday, September 26 Presenter: Mark Ingerson Location: Emmet Street Holiday Inn, Charlottesville, VA</p>
<p>The Differentiated Flipped Classroom – Audience: Grades 5-12 Teachers Description: This presentation will help participants to identify when it makes the most sense to “flip” and to differentiate instruction in the curriculum and to structure flipped learning experiences—both at home and at school—in order to promote active learning and attend to the diverse learning needs of students.</p>	<p>Date: Friday, October 17 Presenter: Eric Carbaugh & Kristina Doubet (JMU) Location: Emmet Street Holiday Inn, Charlottesville, VA</p>
<p>Fostering Content Area Learning for English Language Learners - Audience: Grades 4-12 Teachers Description: This conference will focus on best practices based on current research for second language acquisition and development for English Language Learners. Participants will learn effective strategies to increase ELL students' academic vocabulary in order to improve content-area learning.</p>	<p>Date: Tuesday, October 28 Presenter: María Elena Argüelles Location: Emmet Street Holiday Inn, Charlottesville, VA</p>

Steering Committee Suggestions: (May 1 Meeting)

Administrator and Teacher Evaluations	½ Day Workshop Presenter: Deborah Jackson (Fairfax)
Writing Across the Curriculum (Grades 3-8)	4 - ½ Day Workshops Presenter: Kateri Thunder