
Transforming Stimulus Dollars into School Success

Edvantia's professional development and technical assistance services can strengthen the quality and effectiveness of an entire teaching and learning system. Edvantia can help you transform short-term stimulus funding into long-term gains by building systemic, substantive, and sustainable reform. Take advantage of this opportunity to partner on solutions and strategies to raise standards, improve teacher effectiveness, and support effective intervention strategies for low-performing schools.

A Differentiated Approach

Edvantia specializes in partnering with districts and states to build capacity and strengthen professional practice. This approach provides highly customized, hands-on solutions that come from the best available research. Since 1996, Edvantia has provided professional development and technical assistance services to thousand of educators across the country. These services support state and district leaders as they work to improve student achievement and reform schools.

Attention to Accountability

Before you make final decisions about strategies, call on Edvantia evaluation experts. They can help you design and implement evaluation practices that fulfill the accountability requirements associated with the American Reinvestment and Recovery Act.

A Focus on Improvement

Rigorous, valid, and reliable standards and assessments for all students.

Assure that state and district standards reflect the goals of preparing students for college and careers. Edvantia can help you align curriculum with standards and implement instructional strategies that support student growth. We can help you identify and correct misalignments that affect specific groups of students, including students with disabilities and English language learners. Edvantia offers one of the first reliable, fully developed models for conducting studies of alternate assessments, including those based on modified standards.

Effective teachers, equitably distributed.

Equitable distribution of teachers begins with ensuring that all teachers have high-level skills. Edvantia offers professional development in proven practices—effective classroom questioning, comprehensive literacy instruction, implementing 21st century skills, using formative assessment, and more—that can lift students to the next level.

Intensive support and effective interventions for low-performing schools.

Schools and districts reach the low-performing list for a variety of reasons. Some need help with math, some with reading, some with leadership and improving the school culture. All these problems can be addressed through coaching. A small, rural district might benefit from coaching that uses teacher leaders—on-site coaches who help the whole staff become more proficient and provide a long-term sustainable solution. Across a group of districts—or even a whole state—external school performance coaches can help educators improve their focus on student learning and build communities that work toward continuous improvement. Establishing a cadre of eCoaches can supplement local skills with those of specialists, improving both performance and accountability.

Sustainable Solutions, Real Results

Edvantia work is grounded in the best available research-and that makes a difference to you. Edvantia constructs every professional development experience using research-based standards that apply the principles of adult learning.

When appropriate, Edvantia can conduct rigorous studies that enhance professional development planning and decision making, and can provide services that help you meet state and federal accountability requirements.

Here are some examples of recent work:

- Through a system of statewide coaches, Edvantia helped more than two thirds of Tennessee's High Priority schools achieve AYP.
- Edvantia's online professional development has helped more than 6,000 teachers in Tennessee and Georgia create comprehensive literacy classrooms.
- Edvantia partnered on the development of a program that recently won a Top 50 Innovations in American Government Award from Harvard University.
- In 2008, Edvantia worked with Wisconsin, Kentucky, West Virginia, Nevada, and North Carolina to refine general and alternate standards, performance descriptors, and/or assessments to achieve full alignment.

Our Mission

Edvantia applies its expertise in research, evaluation, professional development, and technical assistance to help schools and students succeed.



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Our People

Many members of Edvantia's highly qualified staff have firsthand experience in state and local education agencies. These educators, administrators, instructional designers, technology specialists, and professional developers have deep expertise in a wide range of school performance arenas. They excel at listening to client needs, developing collaborative relationships, and customizing services to help you succeed.

Our Standards

Professional Development: Edvantia honors the principles of adult learning and adheres to the context, process, and content standards outlined by such national organizations as the National Staff Development Council.

Technical Assistance: To ensure quality and consistency in the technical assistance arena, Edvantia has designed a set of standards that focus on student learning and performance outcomes. They address important areas such as optimizing collaboration with clients, taking a problem-centered approach, incorporating research-based strategies, building client capacity to sustain results, and documenting services for formative and summative reviews.

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