

Professional Learning Plan

Active Classroom

Professional Learning and Technical Assistance

Research states professional learning is essential to effective classroom implementation. According to Simon, Johnson and Quick et al. (2009), change is not a solitary event; it is a process that occurs over time. Therefore, we are committed to providing teachers with a professional learning plan that will actively engage them in the learning and implementation process over an extended period of time.

We offer a blended learning approach to professional learning. This approach allows us to meet your professional learning needs while keeping mandatory meeting times to a minimum. Our plan offers flexibility for both the district and its teachers.

Professional Learning and Ongoing Support

- i. Extensive information in our help section of Active Classroom includes a user's guide and videos that demonstrate step-by-step instructions.
- ii. Self-paced courses provide background information and practical exercises to helpyour teachers become an Active Classroom super user. This online learning option allows teachers to see demonstrations, practice what they have learned, and reflect on their personal experiences.
 - i. AC 101: Getting Started
 - ii. AC 102: Analyzing Resources
 - iii. AC 103: Collaborating with Active Classroom
 - iv. AC 201: Differentiate Instruction and Assessment
 - v. AC 202: Adding Your Own Content
- iii. Monthly webinars help your teachers learn key functions and help to introduce new content as it is added to the system. Topics include:
 - i. Electronic Fieldtrips with Colonial Williamsburg
 - ii. Close Reading Activities with Freedom: A History of US
 - iii. Teaching Zombie Based Geography
 - iv. Working with Primary Sources
- iv. Our customer service team and your local curriculum specialist are always available to answer questions to help your district get the most from our content.



Premium Support

I. On-Site Workshops and Training

We customize all face-to-face trainings to meet district needs and timelines. During our hands-on workshops, teachers learn how to create their classes; register students; find, modify, save and utilize activities; use the grading interface; as well as go in-depth with several of the various titles in Active Classroom.

II. Online Courses available for graduate credit

Titles Include:

- The Unknown American Revolution
- **Historical Thinking**
- Teaching with Poverty in Mind
- Reading Strategies for History/Social Science
- **Working with Primary Sources**
- **Enhancing Professional Practice**

III. Curriculum Mapping

Send us your district's scope, sequence, and pacing calendar and we will create modular curriculum units that match your needs. These customized curriculum maps enable your teachers to launch their curriculum immediately and pace themselves through all the content for the duration of the school year.