

REACH MS

State Personnel Development Grant

Professional Development Activities Report - Amended

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August – December 2009

Summary

- A total of 33 activities were entered in the online professional development (PD) activity log for this reporting period.
- Reach MS staff provided PD to a total of 1,071 participants.
- 158 hours of PD were provided, along with 246 spent preparing for PD, and 213 hours were spent traveling to and from the site of the PD.

The following tables present details of the activities entered in the Reach MS Professional Development Activity Log between August 1 and December 31, 2009. This on-line log collects data on the amount and content of the PD; time spent on PD development, provision, and travel; the number of districts and schools that received PD during this reporting period; and the number and role of people who received PD.

Amount and Content of Professional Development

Table 1 displays the breakdown of activities by content. Table 2 lists the responses for each PD category that were included as “other.” A similar table, depicting all possible responses in included in Appendix A. Sometimes it is helpful to know what you didn’t do, but for brevity sake, the table below provides only the content of professional development that were provided this reporting period.

Table 1: Content and Amount of Professional Development

Topic	#	Topic	#
PBS	12	Literacy	3
What is PBS? (Overview)	1	(3 Tier Model) Response to Intervention	2
School-Wide PBS	1	Getting Children over the “I Hate to Read” Syndrome	1
Two-Day New Team PBS Training	2		
Behavior Management	4	Process/Teaming	5
Other	4	Kickoff Event	1
		School Improvement Processes	2
Family	11	Team Building/Team Spirit	1
Family Leadership Academies	9	PBS/SWLS Team Meeting	1
Engaging Families and Communities	1		
Parents and PBS	1	Other	2

Table 2: “Other” Responses for Each Professional Development Content Category

PBS Other	Total	Other	Total
Tier 2 Behavior Interventions for the classroom	2	Updates/planning for District-wide PBS in Forrest County.	1
PBS team meeting	1	PBIS Alliance Meeting	1
Creating FBAs and BIPs.	1		

During this reporting period, Reach MS staff provided direct PD to the participants listed in Table 3. The number of total participants is derived from aggregating total participants from each individual activity. It is likely, therefore that 1,071 is a duplicated count.

Table 3: Total Number of Professional Development Participants

Primary Role	Participants	Primary Role	Participants
Elementary School Teachers	415	Other School Staff	53
Parents/Families	160	Other Community Members	32
High School Teachers	113	District-Level Staff	55
Middle School Teachers	170	IHE Faculty/Staff	0
School Administrators	72	Preschool Teachers	0
Other	1	Total	1,071

Time Spent on Professional Development

Staff spent 617 hours developing, traveling, and providing PD over the reporting period. Of the 617 hours, 158 hours were spent on direct provision of PD, 246 hours in PD development, and 213 hours of travel. The mean number of hours of PD provision was 4.8, ranging from 1 to 14 hours. On average, for each PD activity, approximately 1.6 hours were spent preparing and approximately 1.4 hours were spent traveling.

Table 4: Hours Spent on Professional Development Activities

	N	Total	Mean	Std. Deviation	Min.	Max.
PD Delivery Time	33	158	4.8	3.5	1	14
Prep Time	33	246	7.5	10.4	1	60
Travel Time	33	213	6.5	4.7	0	13

Sustainability

A primary concern regarding SPDG activities is that they are providing sustainable forms of PD. In order to measure the degree to which activities are sustainable, we ask respondents completing the Professional Development Activity Log to indicate whether the activity they are reporting on is a follow-up to a previous PD activity or not. During this reporting period, 27 of the 33 PD activities, or 82% were reported to be follow-up activities.

Districts/Schools Receiving Professional Development

Table 5 on the next page provides the number of PD activities conducted at each participating district and school. There were five PD activities provided to non-SIG schools/districts during this reporting period.

Table 5: Professional Development Activities by District and School

Northern Region		#	Central Region		#	Southern Region		#
Alcorn Public School District		2	Starkville Public School District		7	Jefferson County School District		0
• District Level PD		1	• District Level PD		2	• District Level PD		0
• Alcorn Central Elementary		0	• Ward Stewart Elementary		0	• Jefferson County Elementary		0
• Alcorn Central Middle School		0	• Henderson Intermediate		0	• Jefferson County Upper Elementary		0
• Alcorn Central High School		0	• Armstrong Middle School		0	• Jefferson County Junior High		0
• All Teams		1	• Starkville High School		0	• Jefferson County High School		0
• Family Representation from all schools		0	• All Teams		4	• All Teams		0
• District non-REACH MS schools		0	• Family Representation from all schools		1	• Family Representation from all schools		0
• Other District Wide-Positions		0	• District non-REACH MS schools		0	• District non-REACH MS schools		0
			• Other District Wide-Positions		0	• Other District Wide-Positions		0
North Panola School District		3	Cleveland Public School District		3	Harrison County School District		4
• District Level PD		1	• District Level PD		1	• District Level PD		0
• Como Elementary		0	• Bell Elementary		0	• Three Rivers Elementary		0
• Green Hill Elementary		0	• D.M. Smith Elementary		0	• North Gulfport Middle School		1
• North Panola High School		0	• East Side High School		0	• Harrison Central High School		0
• All Teams		1	• All Teams		1	• All Teams		2
• Family Representation from all schools		1	• Family Representation from all schools		1	• Family Representation from all schools		1
• District non-REACH MS schools		0	• District non-REACH MS schools		0	• District non-REACH MS schools		0
• Other District Wide-Positions		0	• Other District Wide-Positions		0	• Other District Wide-Positions		0
Tupelo Public School District		2	Holmes County School District		3	Forrest County School District		5
• District Level PD		0	• District Level PD		1	• District Level PD		2
• Tupelo High School		0	• Lexington Elementary		0	• Dixie Attendance Center		0
• Tupelo Middle School		0	• Williams-Sullivan High School		0	• Earl Travillion Attendance Center		1
• Carver Elementary		0	• J.J. McClain High School		0	• North Forrest High School		0
• All Teams		1	• All Teams		1	• All Teams		1
• Family Representation from all schools		1	• Family Representation from all schools		1	• Family Representation from all schools		1
• District non-REACH MS schools		0	• District non-REACH MS schools		0	• District non-REACH MS schools		0
• Other District Wide-Positions		0	• Other District Wide-Positions		0	• Other District Wide-Positions		0
Pontotoc County School District		4	Newton County School District		5			
• District Level PD		1	• District Level PD		2			
• South Pontotoc Elementary		1	• Newton County Elementary		0			
• South Pontotoc Middle School		0	• Newton County Middle School		0			
• South Pontotoc High School		0	• Newton County High School		0			
• All Teams		1	• All Teams		2			
• Family Representation from all schools		1	• Family Representation from all schools		1			
• District non-REACH MS schools		0	• District non-REACH MS schools		0			
• Other District Wide-Positions		0	• Other District Wide-Positions		0			

Appendix A

Topic	#	Topic	#
PBS		Literacy	
12		3	
What is PBS? (Overview)	1	School-Wide Literacy Support	0
School-Wide PBS	1	(3 Tier Model) Response to Intervention	2
Two-Day New Team PBS Training	2	Getting Children over the "I Hate to Read" Syndrome	1
Therapeutic Crisis Intervention.	0	Depth of Knowledge	0
Behavior Management	4	Curriculum-Based Measurement and Progress Monitoring	0
Avoiding the Conflict Cycle	0	Strategy Instruction & Content Area Literacy	0
Stress Model of Crisis	0	The Basics of Literacy Instruction	0
Life Space Interview	0	Other	0
School-Wide Information System (SWIS)	0	Process/Teaming	
Other	4	5	
Family		Kickoff Event	1
11		Mid-Year Booster	0
Family Leadership Academies	9	Team Building/Team Spirit	1
Engaging Families and Communities	1	Active Listening/Communication	0
Parents and PBS	1	PBS Team Meetings*	0
Active Listening	0	SWLS Team Meetings*	0
Creating a High Performing Team	0	PBS/SWLS Team Meeting*	0
Building Home-School Literacy Connections	0	Conflict Resolution	0
Other	0	Action Plan Development/Revision	0
Other		School Improvement Processes	2
1		Benchmarks of Quality Review*	0
Inclusion and Co-Teaching	0	Data Review*	0
Classroom Management	0	Other	0
Other	2		