

Appendix C: Survey of Professional Development Activities

Note: Following is the Survey of Professional Development Activities for the intervention teachers. It asks teachers to report on all professional development activities they participated in during the reporting period, excluding CASL. The survey for the control teachers is exactly the same, except without the warnings not to include any CASL activities.



Classroom Assessment FOR Student Learning Study

Survey of Professional Development Activities

Occurring from July 1, 2007 through October XX, 2007

Please provide the information below, then click Next to enter the log.

First name:

Last name:

School name:

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Survey of Professional Development Activities

1. Did you participate in any of the following professional development activities any time from July 1 to Oct. XX, OTHER THAN YOUR WORK ON CASL?

- Workshop
- Institute
- Conference
- College course
- Teacher network
- Internship or immersion activity
- Teacher committee or task force
- Teacher study group
- Work with a mentor or coach
- Other professional development activity
- I did not participate in any professional development during the time specified.

This log was adapted from the Teacher Activity Survey as published in *Designing Effective Professional Development: Lessons from the Eisenhower Program*, U.S. Department of Education, Office of the Under Secretary, Planning and Evaluation Service, Washington, D.C., 1999.

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Activity A

A1. Please give the name of the professional development activity you participated in during the time period of July 1-Oct. XX that you feel impacted your practice the most, EXCLUDING YOUR WORK ON CASL.

Count a program of on-going professional development that took place on different dates over several weeks or months, such as a summer institute with follow-up workshops or an on-going teacher study group, as ONE professional development activity.

A2. Have you reported on this activity in a previous log entry?

- Yes
- No
- I don't remember

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Activity A continued

A3. Please briefly describe the topic and purpose of this activity.

A4. Over what period of time was/is the activity spread, including the main activity and any formal preliminary or follow-up sessions? (Check one response.)

- Less than one day
- One day
- Two to four days
- A week
- Two to three weeks
- A month
- Two to six months
- Seven months to a year
- More than a year

A5. As part of this activity, did you meet regularly, over the course of several weeks or months, with a group of educators to discuss and reflect on the material being learned?

- Yes
- No

A6. Which subject area(s) did the activity cover? (Check all that apply.)

- Math
- Science

- Reading
- Writing
- Social studies
- Health related
- Activity was not specific to any one subject area
- Other subject(s) (please specify:)

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Activity A continued

How much emphasis did the activity give to ...

A7. Curriculum (e.g., units, textbooks, standards)?

No emphasis Minor emphasis Major emphasis

A8. Working with content standards (e.g., understanding, unpacking, simplifying, aligning instruction to standards)?

No emphasis Minor emphasis Major emphasis

A9. Instructional methods?

No emphasis Minor emphasis Major emphasis

A10. Increasing student involvement in learning?

No emphasis Minor emphasis Major emphasis

A11. Formative assessments (e.g., developing, selecting, and using assessment in the classroom)?

No emphasis Minor emphasis Major emphasis

A12. Communicating assessment results to students?

No emphasis Minor emphasis Major emphasis

A13. Using assessment results to guide instruction (i.e., to make adjustments in instructional strategies or lesson plans)?

No emphasis Minor emphasis Major emphasis

A14. Use of technology in instruction (e.g., computers, graphing calculators)?

No emphasis Minor emphasis Major emphasis

A15. Strategies for teaching diverse student populations (e.g., students with disabilities, from underrepresented populations, economically disadvantaged, range of abilities)?

No emphasis Minor emphasis Major emphasis

A16. Leadership development?

No emphasis Minor emphasis Major emphasis

A17. State-wide assessment or standardized testing?

No emphasis Minor emphasis Major emphasis

A18. Other (please describe)

No emphasis Minor emphasis Major emphasis

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Activity A continued

A19. Between July 1 and Oct. xx, including the main activity and any preliminary activities or formal follow-up sessions, how many hours were you engaged in this activity overall? Round your answer to the nearest whole hour.

A20. Please indicate if you engaged in any of the following during this activity (check all that apply).

- Had someone observe and provide feedback on your teaching
- Presented material or instructed others
- Lead a discussion

A21. Have you discussed or shared what you learned with others in your school who did NOT attend the activity?

- Yes
- No

A22. Was this activity consistent with your own goals for your professional development?

- Yes
- No

A23. Was this activity aligned with state content standards?

- Yes
- No

A24. Please rate the overall quality of the activity, including the main activity and any preliminary activities or formal follow-up sessions.

- Excellent
- Good

- Fair
- Poor

A25. Please indicate the degree of impact you expect the activity to have on your classroom practices.

- High
- Medium
- Low
- None

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Activity B

2. Did you participate in any other professional development activities from July 1 - Oct. xx, EXCLUDING YOUR WORK ON CASL?

Examples of professional development activities include:

- Workshop
- Institute
- Conference
- College course
- Teacher network
- Internship or immersion activity
- Teacher committee or task force
- Teacher study group
- Work with a mentor or coach
- Any other professional development activity

 Yes
 No

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Activity B

B1. Please give the name of the professional development activity you participated in during the time period of July 1-Oct. XX that you feel impacted your practice the SECOND most, EXCLUDING YOUR WORK ON CASL.

Count a program of on-going professional development that took place on different dates over several weeks or months, such as a summer institute with follow-up workshops or an on-going teacher study group, as ONE professional development activity.

B2. Have you reported on this activity in a previous log entry?

- Yes
- No
- I don't remember

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Activity B continued

B3. Please briefly describe the topic and purpose of this activity.

B4. Over what period of time was/is the activity spread, including the main activity and any formal preliminary or follow-up sessions? (Check one response.)

- Less than one day
- One day
- Two to four days
- A week
- Two to three weeks
- A month
- Two to six months
- Seven months to a year
- More than a year

B5. As part of this activity, did you meet regularly, over the course of several weeks or months, with a group of educators to discuss and reflect on the material being learned?

- Yes
- No

B6. Which subject area(s) did the activity cover? (Check all that apply.)

- Math
- Science

- Reading
- Writing
- Social studies
- Health related
- Activity was not specific to any one subject area
- Other subject(s) (please specify:)

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Activity B continued

How much emphasis did the activity give to ...

B7. Curriculum (e.g., units, textbooks, standards)?

No emphasis Minor emphasis Major emphasis

B8. Working with content standards (e.g., understanding, unpacking, simplifying, aligning instruction to standards)?

No emphasis Minor emphasis Major emphasis

B9. Instructional methods?

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Activity B continued

B19. Between July 1 and Oct. xx, including the main activity and any preliminary activities or formal follow-up sessions, how many hours were you engaged in this activity overall? Round your answer to the nearest whole hour.

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Thank you for completing the Survey of Professional Development Activities!

Click the Finish button below to submit your survey entry.

Finish

