



Meaningful Preparation...
Meaningful Professional Development

The Center for Teacher Education

www.reynolds.edu/TeacherEd





What is The Center for Teacher Education?

- *A collaborative effort among JSRCC, JTCC, EducateVA and the Community College Workforce Alliance (CCWA) to meet the professional development needs of local school divisions*
- *Comprehensive offerings from initial licensure to professional development for licensed and non-licensed staff*
- *College credit coursework as well as non-credit offerings (PD points)*





Meaningful Professional Development

- *Move away from the over-reliance on the “we have this great program that you need” sales pitch and “one shot” PD*
- *Instead, “What do you need?”*
- *The goal is to collaborate to meet your needs:*
 - Co-design/co-teach opportunities
 - Work with your data
 - Strategic Plan/School Improvement Plan alignment
 - Follow-up activities/requirements for many courses
 - Based on current research





Think back...

- *As a teacher, what was the best professional development that you attended?*
- *What made it “the best?”*





Based on New Standards

From LearningForward (formerly NSDC)

<http://www.learningforward.org/standards/standards.cfm>

Professional learning that increases educator effectiveness and results for all students:

- occurs within **learning communities** committed to continuous improvement, collective responsibility, and goal alignment.
- requires skillful **leadership** to develop capacity, advocate, and create support systems for professional learning.
- requires prioritizing, monitoring, and coordinating **resources** for educator learning.
- uses a variety of sources and types of student, educator, and system **data** to plan, assess, and evaluate professional learning.
- integrates theories, research, and models (**learning designs**) of human learning to achieve its intended outcomes.
- applies research on change and sustains support for **implementation** of professional learning for long term change.
- aligns its **outcomes** with educator performance and student curriculum standards.





So, the Center for Teacher Education is...

A new resource based on collaborating and partnering with school divisions to assist in providing meaningful professional development for all school employees.

We really are "here to help you."

