



Service...Above and Beyond



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REACT Read Evidence, Analyze, Communicate: Critical Thinking

Seeking schoolwide or content area writing focus? Seeking a focus on deep, critical thinking? Transform a focus in a grade level, content area, classroom, department, or content area with the REACT program. REACT seeks to develop critical thinking ability in students, as well as critical thinking pedagogy in teachers. This is done by placing a **trained writing coach** into participating schools to work one-on-one with selected students on evidence-based argumentative writing.

REACT is a unique program that aims to integrate targeted professional development across the school year, highlighting units of study in existing curriculum, and bolstering deep thinking for all students--regardless of the content area. REACT is a partnership between CESA #4 and IM Education, a local educational non-profit.

Level 2A - Year-Long Writing Coach Program

Professional Development (Provided and led by CESA #4)

- Summer REACT Institute
- Flexible, on-site (school) professional development and coaching
 - Targets teachers involved in REACT program
 - Agreed upon services between school leader, school data, and REACT
- Data Analysis and goal setting
 - Two or three points throughout the timespan Fall/Winter/Spring or Beginning/End Semester

Writing Coach (Provided and led by grant funding from IM Education)

On-site student writing coach provides 1:1 conferencing with a focus on student-specific writing and critical thinking development. Writing coach scores student writing for feedback, growth, and instructional implications. Writing coach also supplements student coaching by collaborating with classroom instruction in partnership with teacher when applicable.

Systems Checkpoints:

Meet with REACT team regularly to gauge plan of action for student learning, educator Student Learning Outcomes, student writing conferences, school-based logistics, and professional development. Includes both qualitative and quantitative statistical analysis, when applicable.

See page two for additional customized options

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Level 2B - REACT Custom Packages (Short term, two-six weeks)

1. College and Career Readiness
2. ACT Writing Prep
3. Media/Information Literacy and Civic Engagement
4. Custom Unit Mini Cycle

REACT staff collaborate with a teacher or a team of teachers to:

- Review a unit of study
- Determine plan for integrating argumentation/critical thinking through speaking, reading, viewing, and writing
- Plan for instructional cycle of unit
- Support implementation of plan in instruction and assessment
- Incorporate REACT writing coach into instructional cycle for student writing feedback
- Two full days of service divided in halves as needed.

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