ESL Side by Side PLC Meeting Update August 24, 2012

Our Professional Learning Community for the Side by Side Assessments met on Friday August 24. We had three new people join our group and one member leave. The members are:

Audrey Gonzales

Mary Murphy

Myriam Enciso

Anne Caney

Daniel Feltenberger

Humberto Gil

Bruce Rockwell

Cindy Sharp

Eileen Peca

Diana Vera-Alba

At this meeting we reviewed the procedures and norms for our meetings. Audrey showed us the final edit of Unit 1 in book 3. We also reviewed the semi-final edit of Unit 1 in book 1. As a group we looked at the importance of continually referring back to the pacing guide and the essential learning to ensure that the test questions are indeed measuring obtainment of the essential learning.

Book 1 Group

This group met with Rossita Fernando another editor and did some corrections on test items for Unit 1and Unit 2. The group picked up at Unit 6, evaluated and selected the appropriate test question for Unit 6, 7 and began on Unit 8.

Book 2 Group

This group completed reviewing and choosing the questions for the Unit 8 assessment. The Book 2 group had 2 members new to the entire process and spent needed time in creating a cohesive working group.

For review, the PLC is taking the old tests of Side by Side and the new tests and combining the two into 1 assessment for each unit of each book.