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Literacy Block Development

What Is It?

Consultants from empowerED work with your school or district to develop recommendations for your literacy block. We collaborate with you to develop a schedule where instructional minutes are allocated based upon research-based best reading practices so that appropriate time is dedicated to the many facets necessary for teaching reading and writing.

Why?

Schools invest significant hours each day in the teaching of English/Language Arts. However, numerous districts are not seeing the gains they hope to achieve, even with so much dedicated time available. The Literacy Block Development service supports districts in ensuring that time is allocated appropriately according to the skills we know students must acquire in order to read. Structures and schedules that support the inclusion of students with diverse learning needs are prioritized through scheduling.



Then What?

Once instructional minutes have been allocated for the literacy block, we will work with your staff to ensure they understand...

- The research behind the new schedule and why it will more effectively meet the needs of students;
- How to use data to drive small group instruction within the literacy block; &
- How to effectively utilize support personnel such as special education teachers, paraprofessionals, reading specialists, and other providers pushing into class to maximize student growth.