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Professional Learning Communities (PLC) the Montessori Way

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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The project was PLC the Montessori Way and the goal was to improve teacher collaboration as a lever for creating more joyful classrooms. The design prototypes explored how to foster meaningful collaboration that would yield more engaging instruction.

Working with a team, we used the design process to develop a Montessori Scope and Sequence. We also developed PLC practices that achieve the traditional PLC goal of Data Driven Instruction while leaning into Montessori pedagogy and philosophy. The result was a PLC practice that better aligns to Montessori pedagogy and supports adult learning.

TARGET AUDIENCE

- Teachers
- Administrators

MEASURES OF SUCCESS & IMPACT

- Improved Climate Scores in the following areas:
 - Teachers in this school trust each other increased from 60% positive to 78% positive
 - My team experiences with colleagues this year helped me improve instruction increased. from 65% positive to 84% positive
 - The PD sessions at my school this year helped me improve instruction increased from 40% positive to 65% positive