

MRVED UPDATE



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Title I Best Practice Meeting Update

The Title I teachers gathered at the MRVED recently for their first ever best practice meeting. The day started off with an activity to see what different resources each school was using. After the group had the opportunity to see what the other schools were doing, Karen provided the group with information on acceleration versus remediation. Lunch was fabulous as usual! The afternoon was spent sharing resources and apps. Feedback received on the day was overwhelmingly positive and the teachers left with a wealth of resources.

Art Best Practice Meeting Update

The Art teachers gathered at the K.K. Berge building in Granite Falls for their best practice meeting. The morning was spent learning the Raku firing technique. You can see a write-up and slideshow of pictures [HERE](#). After firing our pieces, we made our way down the street to the old DuMart building to see a large mural display that was created through the Yellow Medicine Integration Collaborative group last year. Pizza was great at Jimmy's Pizza. The afternoon was spent discussing personalized learning and sharing of ideas and resources.

MELT Call for Presentations & Networking Sessions

The MRVED is seeking presenters for the annual MELT conference in January. If you are interested, or know of someone who would be interested, **TODAY** is the last day to fill out the [Call for Presentations Survey](#). There will be a small stipend for those who present. Filling out the survey does not commit you to presenting.

The MRVED is currently looking for facilitators of networking groups for the MELT. **The ONLY networking sessions that will be held during the day will be the sessions that have people that are willing to facilitate the session.** If you feel strongly about being able to network with your peers, step-up and become a facilitator. Contact Brandon (braymo@mnrved.k12.mn.us) if you are willing to facilitate a networking session. Deadline is November 21.

TIP/RESOURCE OF THE WEEK

7 Keys to Effective Feedback

Educational Leadership published a great article on the 7 keys to providing effective feedback to students. Research shows that *less* teaching plus *more* feedback is the key to achieving greater learning. And there are numerous ways—through technology, peers, and other teachers—that students can get the feedback they need. Give the article a read today by clicking [HERE](#).

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UPCOMING MEETINGS

November 6

Family & Consumer Science

November 14

Principals' Council

November 16

Social Workers

November 27

Moodle Training

November 28

Superintendents' Council

TECH TIPS

Gooru

[Gooru](#) is a search engine for educators. Users can type anything into the search box and get back resources, quizzes, handouts, etc...Gooru is currently in Beta, so the search feature is not perfected yet, and you will get resources that may not be related to your search.