

# Collegial Circle Final Report

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## COLLEGIAL CIRCLE INFORMATION

Title of Circle: Elementary Writing - Writing Pathways in PCSD Standards Area: ELA  
Facilitator: Liz Knowles School(s): MCE, AC, PR  
Beginning Date: 12/7/17 Ending Date: 3/28/18 # of Hours: 4.5

*Please submit copies of the following to this report:*

- ✓ Collegial Circle Attendance Log
- ✓ Collegial Circle Meeting Log
- ✓ Samples of strategies implemented, materials created, or student work samples where applicable
- ✓ Collegial Circle Reflection Sheets - completed by each participant

## COLLEGIAL CIRCLE DESCRIPTION

### What was the anticipated goal(s) of this Collegial Circle?

We were looking at the Writing Pathways book as a prime resource for reconstructing the primary writing curriculum. Our task was to examine the book, its rubrics, checklist and progressions to find a way to align them with our writing curriculum. We are working to revise the our approach to Narrative, Opinion and Informational writing.

### What grade level(s) and or subject area(s) will benefit from this Circle?

2nd grade ELA primarily writing

## FINAL REFLECTIONS

### Was the goal of your Collegial Circle met? Please explain.

Our goal was to examine the Writing Pathways book, looking at the checklists, progressions and rubrics. We were able to spend time on the rubrics and the progressions. We spent some time on the checklists, but were not able to meet again with samples of student work. We were struggling to find common meeting times and unfortunately we did not meet all our goals. We would like to continue to work on writing.

**How did the members of this Collegial Circle assess whether the outcome was met? What evidence was utilized to assess your progress?**

We shared our thoughts regarding the progressions. We each took parts and worked on writing them, came back together and shared opinions. We have samples of revised progressions.

**How did your work impact teaching and learning? [include student work samples, lesson plans, peer reviews, etc.]**

It helped us collaborate with our colleagues and share what we are currently doing in our rooms, what works, what we are struggling with and how to help each other.

**Did your work align with the Level of Evaluation you identified in your proposal? Please explain.**

Yes it did. We were Action Research and we were able to research and compare techniques important to our own practice and explore how to become more effective. We really felt the collegial discussions were valuable and worth our time. We discussed next steps which include summer work and trying out the checklists with our students writing in the future.

**Please include any additional comments you would like to share with the Collegial Circle Committee. This may include unanticipated outcomes, next steps, new learning, etc.**