

Collegial Circle Final Report

(To be filled out by Contact Person)

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Anticipated Objectives: <u>Participants will explore best practices in writing instruction</u>. <u>Participants will explore different lesson formats and assessments and will have more available resources</u>.

Beginning Date: October 27, 2008

Ending Date: May 20, 2009

of hours 64

Attachments: Please attach copies of the following to this cover sheet

- € Collegial Circle Attendance Log
- € Collegial Circle Meeting Log
- € Log of Strategy/Strategies Implemented
- € Samples of implementation strategies or student work samples if applicable
- € Collegial Circle Reflection Sheets (each member fills one out)

Final Reflections:

- Was the outcome/goal of this Collegial Circle met? Explain.
 We felt we all changed our teaching of writing by including more time for students to self-reflect. We also decided we would assess students writing and not give them a grade but offer them feedback to help them grow as writers.
- 2. How did the Collegial Circle assess whether the outcome was met?

We learned from each other and shared ideas. We were able to have a better understanding of what we did at each grade level and thought about how best to align future teaching. We are now using common language and focusing on the district rubric.

3. How did your work impact teaching/learning? Include student work samples, lesson plans, peer reviews, etc.

The student self-assessments we used helped students set goals and watch their own progress. Using mentor texts helped students grow as writers as well. Assessment forms and samples are attached.