Student-Focused Coaching:

Helping Every Teacher Succeed

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The Science of **School Leadership**

Saturday, January 21 10 AM-12 PM PT



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Overview

- WHY is coaching valuable?
- WHAT does coaching look like?
- WHO provides coaching?
- HOW can coaching be successful?

Why Coaching?

"By now, most serious studies on education reform have concluded that the critical variable when it comes to kids succeeding in school isn't money spent on buildings or books but, rather, the QUALITY OF THEIR TEACHERS."

Steven Brill The New Yorker August 31, 2009

Why Coaching?

Providing QUALITY instruction is HARD WORK!

Teachers need and deserve support!

TIME, resources, information, strategies, skills...

Impact of Traditional PD

"Across the U.S., school systems spend tens of billions of dollars annually on professional development (PD) to help teachers...with limited results to show for these investments."

Kraft, M.A., Blazar, D., Hogan, D. (2016). The effect of teaching coaching on instruction and achievement: A meta-analysis of the causal evidence. Brown University Working Paper.

Impact of Traditional PD

- Meta-analysis of 37 studies with causal design.
- Critical features: job-embedded practice, intense and sustained durations, a focus on discrete skill sets, and active learning.
- Found pooled effect sizes of .57 on instruction and .14 on literacy achievement.

Kraft, Blazar, & Hogan (2016)

Defining "Coaching"

TRIADIC, INDIRECT service delivery model

consultant → consultee → client

COACH → TEACHER(s) → STUDENT

Coaching Models

Technical

Consortium of Reading Excellence CORE Wilson, other commercial programs

Problem Solving

Sugai & Tindal; Kampwirth

Reflective Practice

Cognitive Coaching™ Costa & Garmston

Peer Coaching

Joyce & Showers

Peer Coaching

Coaching is a collegial process "characterized by an **observation** and **feedback** cycle..."

Beverly Showers & Bruce Joyce (1981)

BUT... years of research led Joyce & Showers to *rethink* coaching

Peer Coaching

"We have found it necessary and important to omit verbal feedback as a coaching component. When teachers try to give one another feedback, collaborative activity tends to disintegrate."

"Collaborative planning is essential..."

"[Coaching] must operate in a context of training, implementation, and general school improvement."

Beverly Showers & Bruce Joyce (1996)

1985: Jan became a "coach"

1986: Entered doctoral program U of Oregon with Dr. Jerry Tindal

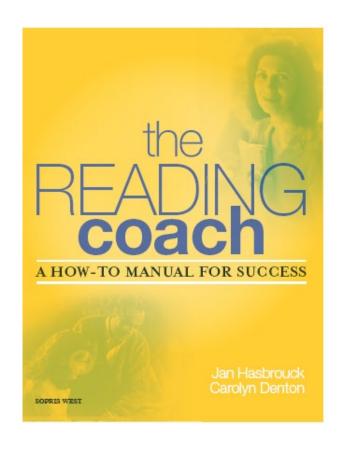
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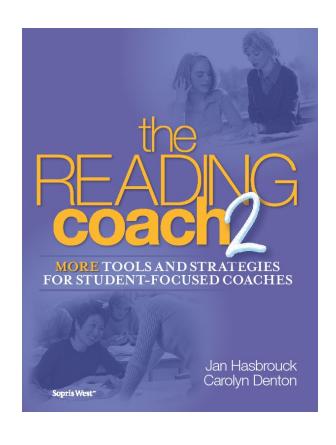
Hasbrouck & Garrison (1990); Hasbrouck (1991); Hasbrouck, Tindal, & Parker (1994)

1992-2001: Texas A&M Faculty
School Psychology & Special Ed/At-Risk

Dr. Jan Hughes: Responsive Systems Consultation Hughes et al. (2001)

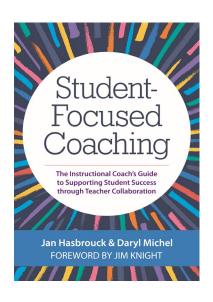
Carolyn Denton: Student-Focused Coaching
Hasbrouck et al. (2003); Hasbrouck & Denton (2005; 2007; 2009); Denton & Hasbrouck (2009);
Hasbrouck (2017)





2015: Dr. Daryl Michel

- New definition
- New goals
- LOTS of fresh ideas!



2020: Connected with Brookes Publishing

SFC Definition

"A cooperative, ideally collaborative, professional relationship with colleagues mutually engaged in efforts that help maximize every teacher's skills and knowledge to enhance student learning."

Hasbrouck & Michel (2022)



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Coaching vs Supervision?

- 1. Purpose: Evaluation of professional competence
- 2. Cooperation
- 3. Legal requirements of roles

Goals of SFC

- Goal #1 Enhance student learning
- Goal #2 Maximize every teacher's knowledge and skills
- Goal #3 Learn from each other
- Goal #4 Prevent future problems

WHO Provides Coaching?

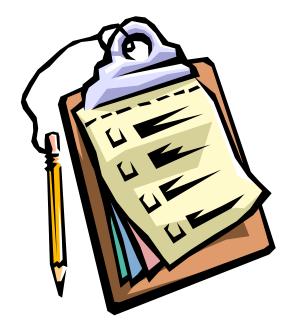
- Experienced teachers
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- Success in providing effective instruction, especially to struggling students
- Training in how to work with peer colleagues to improve students' success

Coaching Activities & Skills

GENERIC across all coaching roles



- Trust building/ "Enrolling" Colleagues
 - Time Management
 - Communication Skills
 - Collaborative Planning
- Team Facilitating; Team Problem Solving
 - Data Collection & Analysis
 - Interviews
 - Observations
- Providing Specific Feedback for Improving Skills
 - Assessments (formal & informal)
 - Evaluating Outcomes
 - Conducting Inservice Trainings
 - Systems Level Consultation



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- Training in how to work with peer colleagues to improve students' success
- Receives SUPPORT for providing coaching (including a clear role definition & TIME)

Essential partners: PRINCIPAL & COACH



Best Practices Checklist for SFC Administrator/Supervisor Partners

SFC Roles

Facilitator

- Assist with logistics
- Build relationships
- Support the implementation of systems

Collaborative Problem-Solver

- Provide targeted professional development and learning
- Solve classroom-based problems
- Build relationships: question, listen, converse

Teacher/Learner

- Learn about and share effective, proven strategies
- Observe lessons/provide feedback

SFC Roles

ADDITIONAL POSSIBLE ROLES?

- Management?
- Administration?
- Supervising?
- Teaching?

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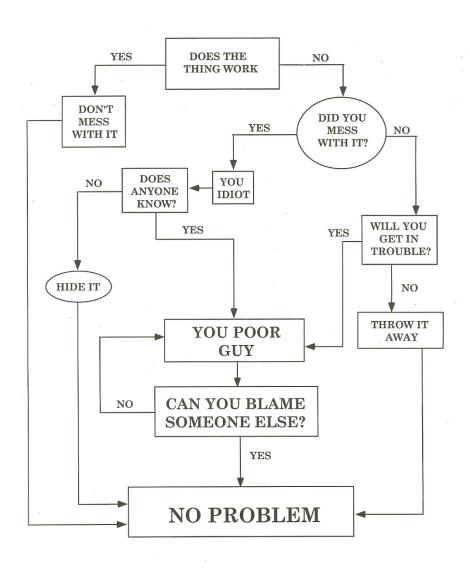
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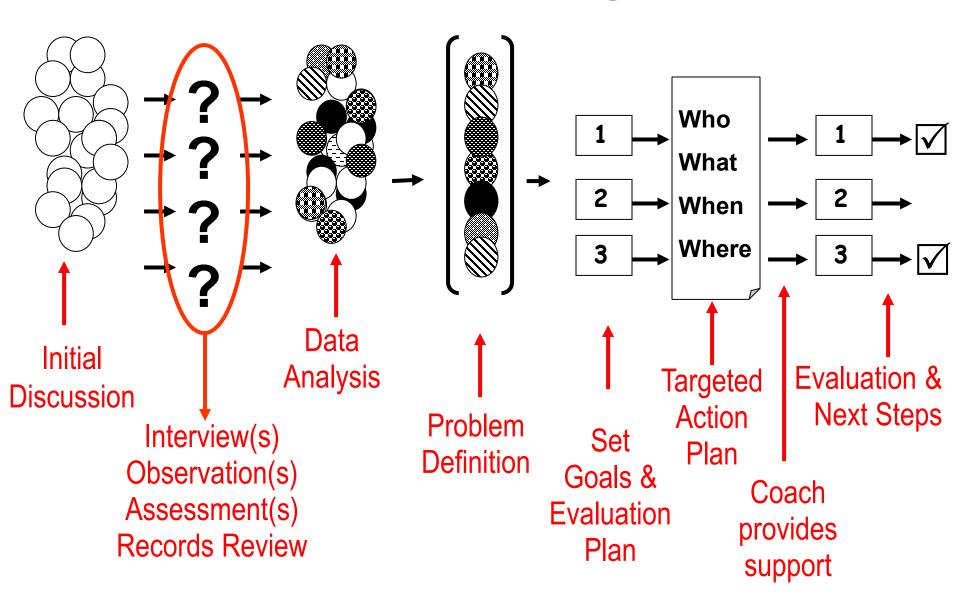
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Coaching "problems"?

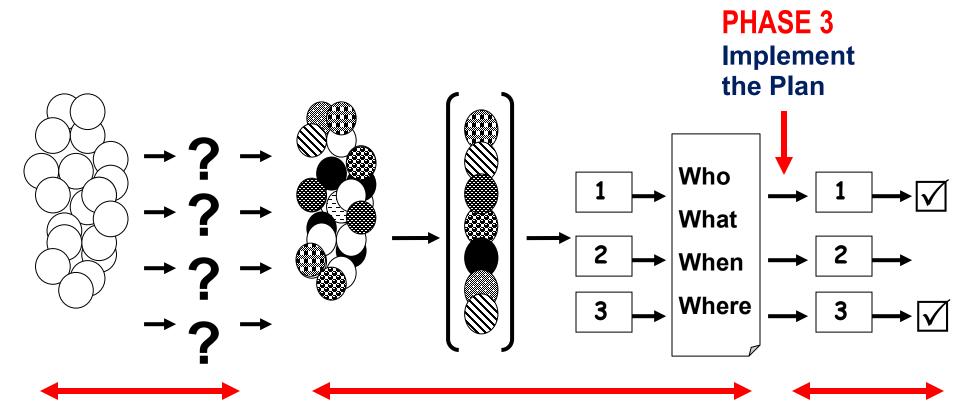
- Molly is not making progress in oral reading fluency.
- Lamont's benchmark scores fell from strategic to intensive levels.
- Roberto is off-task for much of the reading period each day.
- Mrs. Mackey's lowest reading group is not making progress.
- Mr. Romero says that several students struggle with reading their science and social studies materials.
- Ms. Martin stressed about implementing the new curriculum.
- Etc., etc....

PROBLEM SOLVING FLOWSHEET





SFC Problem Solving Process FOUR PHASES



PHASE 1

Problem Presentation

PHASE 2

Define Problem Set Goals Develop a Plan

PHASE 4

Evaluation & Next Steps

The Role of the Coach?

Come up with the PERFECT PLAN that is sure to SOLVE the problem?

- MANAGE the collaborative planning process effectively and efficiently
- **HELP** to (a) develop, (b) effectively implement, and (c) evaluate the outcomes of a plan based on data AND responsive to the teacher's needs, resources, and skills

How long does this take??

Remember the purpose:

- **#1** Provide professional development
- # 2 Solve the problem
- #3 Create a collaborative relationship

How long does this take??

MOVE **FASTER** if:

- (a) Problem is "small" and easily targeted
- (b) Partnership has already been established

MOVE **SLOWER** if:

- (a) Problem is multi-faceted and long-term
- (b) Newer professional partnership

PEANUTS

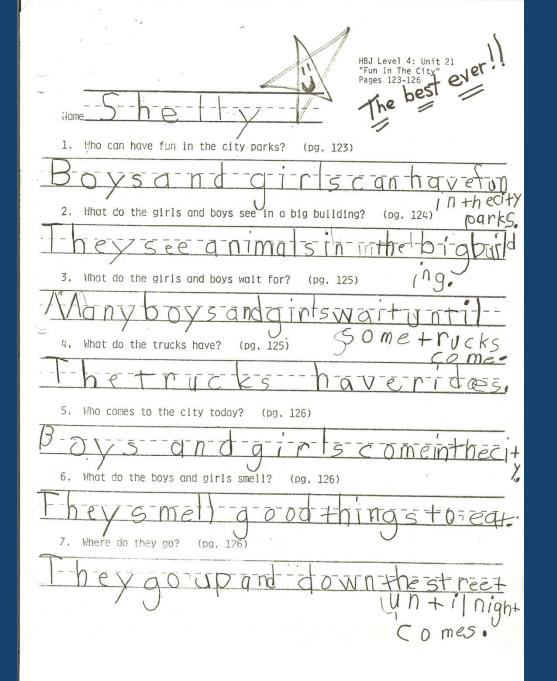






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Introduction by your administrator

Best Practices Checklist for SFC Principal/Supervisor Partners

(1) Understand the ROLE of coaches. The coach's job is to provide support for professional development and learning. Coaches primarily spend their time engaged in activities categorized as Facilitator, Collaborative Problem Solver, or Teacher/Learner.

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1. Introduction by your administrator

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(4) Take responsibility to clearly **DEFINE** and **DESCRIBE** the coach's role to the teaching staff, including the confidentiality of the process.

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- Introduction by your administrator
- 2. Regular, planned 1:1 conversations ("Facilitator Questions"):
 - 1. What is working well for you?
 - 2. Are ALL of your students making progress? Share current data if available.
 - 3. Do you have any questions or suggestions for me?

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- 4. Large-group presentations (Teacher/Learner)
- 5. Informal conversations (Facilitator)
- Advertise!

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Instructional Coaching Menu

INSTRUCTION

- ➤ Classroom Coverage: Cover your class to provide you with the opportunity to observe other colleagues in action.
- ➤ Co-Plan: Work together through conversation to collaboratively plan a lesson, unit, or activity
- ➤ Assistance with Differentiating: Assist in creating assignments and activities that provide scaffolding and various levels for tiered students.
- > Gather Resources: Assist in finding resources
- > Conversations: Identify issues and needs, set goals, and problem solve
- > Co-Teaching: Plan cooperatively and teach a lesson together
- ➤ Model Lesson: Model a lesson in your classroom so you can observe a specific skill, strategy, standard, etc.
- Collaborate to create intervention plans for targeted students
- Student-Focused Classroom observations to provide feedback on a targeted intervention plan



> Reflection: Reflect on student learning and teaching through conversation and observation

ASSESSMENT

- ➤ Classroom Data: to assist and serve as another pair of hands for a lesson or another pair of eyes to collect data for a "specific focus!"
- ➤ Data Discussion: Collaboratively analyze data to make instructional decisions
- Progress Monitor: Progress monitor students and track data for targeted students
- > Informal Assessment: Independent Reading Conferences

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OTHER IDEAS.....

- ➤ Listening and Support: Provide an open and confidential ear for a topic of your choice.
- > Networking: Help you network with other teachers in the school or district.
- Facilitate a training based on need (i.e. instructional strategies for teaching vocabulary)
- > Tech Support: Create anchor charts that enhance student engagement
- Organization: Assist with getting literacy interactive notebooks going in your classroom
- Discuss classroom management strategies
- ➤ Reading Wonders Technology: Assist with getting your students access to leveled readers online, assigning and managing assignments, administering assessments online
- ➤ Watch Professional Development Videos together, reflect, and implement newly learned instructional strategies (ConnectED)

WAYS TO MEET WITH ME:

- > Individually
- > PLC/Grade Level Team
- > Small group

POSSIBLE TIMES TO MEET:

- * During your planning time
- *Before school
- * After school



I am here to work collaboratively with you to meet the needs of our students at Sacajawea!

Shelly Copeland Literacy Facilitator Room 22



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- Advertise!
- Administrator referral (with confidentiality)

Before we continue...

Do you **RECOGNIZE** any of these four "types" in **YOUR** colleagues?

Where would **YOU** fit **NOW** if you were receiving coaching? Where were you in your first year(s) of teaching?

Four Types of Colleagues

- 1. EAGER for help & OPEN to trying new ideas
- EAGER for help but RESISTANT to trying new strategies
- NOT SEEKING immediate assistance but NOT RESISTANT
- 4. NOT SEEKING assistance & RESISTANT

1. EAGER for help & OPEN to trying new ideas

Facilitator: Encourage, network

Collaborative Problem-Solver: Build skill & professional repertoire of skills, strategies, resources

Teacher/Learner: Watch for appropriate professional learning opportunities

Share success stories to build caseload!

2. EAGER for help but RESISTANT to trying new ideas

Watch your time!

But keep the door open; regularly use *Facilitator Questions:*

- What is working well for you?
- Are ALL of your students making progress?
- Do you have any questions or suggestions for me?

3. NOT SEEKING immediate assistance & NOT RESISTANT

- Use "enrollment" strategies
- Use Facilitator Questions regularly to "keep the door open"
- Share success stories publicly

4. NOT SEEKING immediate assistance & RESISTANT

COOPERATION a minimum requirement...

- Leadership creates a collaborative culture and climate focused on student success
- Share student data: Public & nonjudgmental
- Use Facilitator Questions
- Keep advertising; share success stories publicly

4. NOT SEEKING immediate assistance & RESISTANT

- Take the teacher's point of view: Consider costs AND benefits
- You cannot change other people
- You can change YOUR behavior & how YOU respond
- Wishing they were different won't change the situation
- It is not about winning or losing. "Coaching is about the kids!"

Coaches must DIFFERENTIATE

COACHING

like we ask teachers to differentiate their instruction

Overview

- WHY is coaching valuable?
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Thank you!



Let's all work

TOGETHER to help
every TEACHER
and every

STUDENT succeed!

