

Learning & Teaching Services

- Research, evaluation and assessment
- Prevention/intervention support services
- System-wide through classroom level support
- Special education services
- Professional development
- Interpreter and equity services

Customized Professional Development Services

Increased leadership capacity to improve student learning

Customized professional development services provide schools and districts with the skills needed to achieve their school improvement goals. Services include analysis of student and school data, creation of school improvement plans, training and follow-up support.



Topic Areas

- **Collaborative Analysis of Student Work**
Examining student work to address short-term learning goals.
- **Curriculum Adoption**
Facilitating the materials selection process.
- **Curriculum Alignment**
Using the Grade Level Expectations to design instruction.
- **Curriculum Mapping**
Prioritizing and outlining the taught curriculum.
- **Differentiating Instruction**
Tools for responsive teaching.
- **Formative Assessments**
Designing assessments for learning.
- **Mathematics**
Best practices in facilitating higher level thinking skills.
- **Mentor Professional Development**
Support for school and district coaches and teacher leaders.
- **Professional Learning Communities**
Creating a culture of learning for all.
- **Research-based Reading Strategies**
Incorporating scientific reading research into classroom instruction.
- **School and District Improvement Process**
Creating a customized action plan for increasing student achievement.
- **Science**
Hands-on, effective, inquiry-based methods.
- **Sheltered Instruction Observation Protocol (SIOP)**
Strategies for teachers of English Language Learners.
- **Trust**
Building relationships for sustaining student achievement.

Additional Services

- **Accreditation Process**
State Board of Education accreditation based on school improvement planning process.

“Motivational and inspiring!”

Special Services

Strategic solutions for school success for students with special needs

We provide a broad range of educational services to schools and communities serving students with special needs: staff development and training, program reviews, school improvement services, technical assistance and more.

Core services are customized to meet your specific needs. Services include:

- Staff development and training for administrators, general and special education teachers, related services personnel and paraeducators.
- Technical assistance, support and facilitation on:
 - Safety Net planning and development.
 - Program design and evaluation.
 - Conflict resolution and problem-solving.
 - Birth-to-three and early childhood educational practices.
 - Secondary transition/graduation practices.
 - Individualized Education Plans (IEPs) and WACs.
 - Verification of district non-compliance.



In addition, we offer contractual services based on your school's specific needs:

Program Review

We offer customized and comprehensive program review services for special education departments and other categorical programs. Services include one to five-day on-site program reviews, final written reports, presentations to selected district groups and follow-up services as determined by the district.

School Improvement

School improvement services are offered in partnership with PSESD's learning and teaching programs and your school staff through a coordinated, building-wide school improvement process. These services are focused on increasing student performance and are customized to the needs of your individual school community.

"You are known for your knowledge and expertise...and that is very valuable to us!"

Math and Science Specialists



On-site district level leadership and support in mathematics and science

Current and upcoming changes in state math and science standards and adoptions based on state curriculum recommendations will increase the amount and the focus of work in which districts will be engaged over the next several years. Let Puget Sound ESD's math and science specialists support your district with on-site assistance. Each specialist can work in your district to coordinate your math or science curriculum and instruction efforts. Services include:

- Professional development and coaching.
- Instructional strategies and curriculum-specific training.
- Coordination of curriculum, assessment, and instruction alignment work.
- Development and management of systemic math and science interventions.
- Customized math and science support based on district need.

Paraeducator.com

Online access to training, tracking and resources for paraeducators, teachers and administrators

Paraeducator.com is a website portal that provides cost-effective, around-the-clock online access to high quality training, information and services for paraeducators and the teachers with whom they work.

The site provides tools and information needed to help districts meet state and federal mandates, online training, mentoring support and materials, strategies for success, and networking opportunities. A tracking system allows administrators to follow progress and make sure that training requirements are being met.



Program Evaluation

Consultation, support and services for evaluation and research

Tailored to the unique needs of your district, our services help you understand the processes and impacts of your programs, while meeting evaluation and reporting requirements and identifying strategies for improvement. We can assist in evaluations of large-scale projects with extended time frames as well as small projects of limited scope. We provide you with sound formative and summative data to show the effectiveness of your programs and help you plan for the future.

Program Evaluation Design

Clarify your program goals and processes, conduct needs assessments, and establish outcomes and performance criteria.

Data Collection and Analysis

Design and conduct quantitative and qualitative data collection methods including focus groups, surveys and rubrics.

Interpreter and Equity Center

Programs to remove language barriers and enhance cross-cultural relationships

Our interpreter and equity services support your equity efforts through the creation of both an effective, low-cost in-house interpreter program and customized cultural competency training and technical support. There are three main components: interpreter program development, cultural competency professional development, and student leadership.

Interpreter Program Development

- Administrative consultation, technical assistance and ongoing support to establish your individualized in-house program.
- Professional interpreter training for bilingual staff.
- Training for district staff to learn how to develop cross-cultural relationships with students and families, work with professional interpreters, and access natural helpers to create culturally responsive learning environments.

Creating Culturally Responsive Educators, Classrooms, Schools and Systems

Professional development and technical assistance that explores the characteristics and practices of culturally

responsive environments. Services are tailored to your specific needs and can include cultural reviews, workshops, professional learning communities with an equity lens, on-site coaching, and classroom/center observations and recommendations.

Culturally Responsive Student Leadership Development

PSESD staff work with staff and students to develop culturally-specific student clubs and train students to be professional interpreters. In-school diversity training and a two-day multi-district Student Diversity Summit provide opportunities for students to explore issues of equity and participate in developing action plans to create culturally-responsive learning environments.



Prevention Services

Safe, healthy and supportive learning environments for schools and students

The Prevention Center provides a comprehensive, coordinated, and customized approach to effectively address the emotional, social, behavioral and health needs of students; remove barriers to learning and academic success; and improve the school community's learning environment. Our services link student improvement planning to student assistance, student health and school safety. We offer regional and on-site training, technical assistance and direct services in the following areas:



Student Assistance Program

We provide technical assistance, consultation, professional development, and school-wide prevention and intervention activities that promote healthy choices and decrease tobacco and other substance abuse. Direct services for at-risk students in grades 6-12 include counseling and individual/family interventions for a student's alcohol, tobacco or other drug use; and consultation for enhanced parent engagement.

Safe & Drug Free Schools/Communities

Our services provide technical assistance and support with Title IV compliance and coordination.

Healthy Youth Survey

Coordination and assistance with local data interpretation and integration into your school planning processes.

Olweus Bullying Prevention Program

Comprehensive school-wide effort implemented at three levels: school-wide, classroom, and individual.

Crisis Recovery Services

Customized professional development to increase capacity to recover from crisis or loss and same day response for school crisis recovery.

Right Response Certification Training

Proactive strategies for caregivers and staff who support individuals with identified behavioral and aggression challenges.

Issues of Abuse

Required training (WAC 180-79-115) for administrators, certificated teachers and support staff to understand the signs and symptoms of abused children and how to make appropriate referrals.

Educational Advocacy

Services designed to reduce recidivism rates of at-risk youth who are involved with the juvenile justice system.

Tobacco Prevention Services

We provide technical assistance, support and consultation for tobacco policy development, enforcement and practices.

"Because of the Student Assistance and Prevention Program, our relationship with our son has been restored, and we see how it has improved his attitude towards school. This program has truly helped our family..."

For more information on our Learning & Teaching Services, call 425-917-7802, 253-778-7802, or 1-800-664-4549 x7802.

Puget Sound ESD creates services that address all areas of early learning and K-12 education.

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