

Next Steps in Grading Reform: A Three Step Process for Success

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Brief Description: This workshop is geared towards districts and schools that have already taken the first steps in grading reform. Perhaps they have read and studied “On Your Mark” and could have participated in grading workshops from Solution Tree, Rick Wormeli, and others. Now comes the “tough stuff” – applying these ideas in a way that will gain support from parents, faculty, board members, and other stakeholders.

This workshop is a three step process that includes “service plus” – that is, a full day of professional development plus pre-assessment and post-workshop support.

- 1) Before the workshop: Grading pre-assessment to determine precisely where the school and district are with regard to grading policies, professional learning, and stakeholder support.
- 2) On site workshop: “Next Steps in Grading” - workshops and conversations focused on the unique needs of that school or district. This may include school-wide and district-wide workshops, small group conversations with parent and community leaders, teacher association leaders, student leaders, and other key stakeholders.
- 3) After the workshop: Policy review and support, including individualized reviews and support for the grading policies at the department, school, and district levels.

Each participant receives a set of ST resources, including *Elements of Grading* (2nd ed.) and *FAST Grading: A Guide to Implementing Best Practices*.