Hitting the TARGET

Unwrapping the Standards for Assessment

Assessment in the classroom and in professional learning communities should focus on addressing four key questions:

- What do we expect them to learn?
- How will we know when they have learned it?
- What will we do when they don’t?
- What will we do when they do?

[DuFour, DuFour, Eaker, & Karhanek (2004)]

This workshop focuses on identifying the learning targets in district curricular objectives and/or state standards through a process called “unwrapping” and provides participants with the tools to create an assessment map for both formative and summative assessment. Participants should bring the curricular objectives and/or state standards for their content area. Instruction and a guided work time will be provided.

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