

Creating Purposeful and Balanced Assessment Practices

Using data to inform next steps in instructional design and all decision making is a critical component of a healthy school system. It is an evidence-based practice that ensures we are continuously self-reflective and making the right decisions for students. Determining what data to use, who should be using it, when and how it should be used can be very overwhelming. Let's spend a couple days bringing clarity to this work so that it can be an *effective* evidence-based practice.

Session 1: What You Need, Why You Need it, and How to Use It

In session 1, we will focus on your school's balanced assessment system. We will define each type of assessment, identifying the purpose and function of each assessment type and placing them each into your aligned instructional system. Most importantly, we will identify WHO and HOW the data should be used: what teachers & teams should be asking and answering which questions?

Session 2: Data-Driven Instructional Cycles

Session 2 will focus on the 'how' of using data to drive instruction. You will identify and plan for upcoming instructional cycles in the classroom and intervention & Special Education. The focus will be on utilizing formative and summative data in your core instruction, as well as small groups & differentiation.

Time for individual planning, as well as team planning will be provided throughout both sessions. Our goal is to provide time for thinking and reflection, as well as practical "use now" tools for your classroom and teams.

Dates

8:30am - 3:00pm*

Sessions 1: Tuesday November 7, 2023

Session 2: Thursday, January 11, 2024

*Includes a 1 hour lunch break. Lunch will not be provided.

Location: Northeast Service Cooperative, Mt Iron, MN

Audience: K-12 teachers, special education teachers, interventionists, district teaching / learning directors or coordinators, instructional coaches, principals, other building administrators

To Register: [Google Form](#)

CEUs: Administrative and teacher CEUs will be provided after each session.