

The Learning Forward Academy

Academy Class of 2018

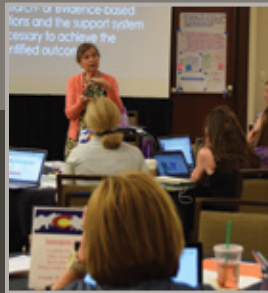
Join the Learning Forward Academy.



The Learning Forward Academy experience

Class is forming now! Application deadline March 15.

The Learning Forward Academy is Learning Forward's flagship learning experience. With a rich history that spans 20 years, the Academy has supported the problem-based learning of teachers, teacher-leaders, instructional coaches, principals, superintendents, consultants, association leaders, and others whose jobs support the learning of other adults and students. When you join the Academy, your learning journey is no longer a solo experience.



Bring your biggest challenge, related to adult or student learning, to the Academy coaches and other participants.

In collaboration, **clarify the authentic problems** of practice.

Study the problem, build knowledge and skills, and work together to develop solutions.

Transform your practice and your organization.

Measure and evaluate your results.

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Standards-based professional learning

Improvements in educator knowledge, skills, and dispositions

Improvements in educator practice

Improvements in student results

The Learning Forward Academy includes:

- * **Multiyear** learning with educators from around the world
- * **12 face-to-face**, team-based learning days
- * **2 Learning Forward conferences** included (complimentary registration – valued at more than \$1,748!)
- * **Phone and virtual learning** for continuous process improvement
- * **Ongoing support** from an experienced coach who is also an Academy graduate
- * **Access to resources**, relationships, and real results with a complimentary Learning Forward membership for three years (a \$477 value!)
- * **A formal graduation** at Learning Forward’s Annual Conference

What graduates say.

“ The networking and connections my experience has brought to me have been incredible. I have presented on this work in numerous arenas, and I am honored to have been guided through such a powerful process. I love that I have so many tools to help further my district work in professional learning. ”

Jeanette Westfall

Executive Director of Curriculum, Instruction & Professional Learning

“ Academy has given me a deeper understanding of change management. Change is inevitable in all things, but especially in education. In order to make the change effective, it is valuable to thoughtfully plan out the change. Academy has provided a framework for moving from problems to solutions.

I have loved getting to collaborate with learners from around the country. Learning about their environments and hearing their feedback has helped me grow as an educator!

I am so grateful to my Academy coaches for their leadership and feedback as we have learned together. They were visible learners alongside us. I think that is one of the greatest lessons a coach can model. I hope that they will continue to coach, teach and inspire others through the Academy! They are rock stars!

Connecting our work with professional learning to student evidence has been a significant piece of learning that has taken place as a result of the Academy. ”

Anna Jackson

Executive Director, Leadership and Professional Development

Congratulations Class of 2018

A special thank you to our Academy coaches, **Dawn Wilson**, retired executive director of professional development for Duval County Schools; and **Ramona Coleman**, director of professional learning for Fort Wayne Community Schools.

Learning Forward's mission is to build the capacity of leaders to establish and sustain highly effective professional learning. We are the only association devoted exclusively to advancing equity and excellence in teaching and learning through professional learning.

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