

## **What does an Instructional Coach Do?**

- Assist teachers as they strengthen their ability to make more effective use of their current knowledge and skills
- Support teachers as they learn and grow in their professional practice
- Collaborate with teachers in a non-evaluative role

### ***Partnership Possibilities:***

#### **Individual Conferences:**

- ✓ Listen and collaborate on:
  - lessons with a focus on literacy
  - effective instructional practices
  - assessment possibilities (formative & summative)
  - classroom management issues
- ✓ Collect and share data (Teacher vs. Student Talk Time, On Task vs. Off Task Behavior, Attention to Gender, Types of Questions, etc.)

#### **Team Meetings:**

- ✓ Possibilities include content area meetings, grade level teams, Professional Learning Teams, all teachers of a particular course, etc.
- ✓ Attend meetings to provide support in determining and achieving team goals

#### **Strategy Mini-Lesson:**

- ✓ Model learning/reading/writing strategies in individual content area classes

#### **Team Teaching:**

- ✓ Team-teach a lesson that incorporates learning/reading/writing strategies
- ✓ Differentiation/Work with small groups

#### **Resources:**

- ✓ Provide resources such as templates and professional materials (including articles and ideas relevant to both your content area and literacy in general)
- ✓ Help you research alternative texts in your content area and provide leveled readings for your students.

#### **Professional Development:**

- ✓ Support you in accomplishing your individual professional goals
  - Personalization, Assessment, Literacy
- ✓ Facilitate study groups to explore best teaching practices
- ✓ Provide professional development opportunities that support the needs of the staff