LEAD WIT & WISDOM

Overview
This session builds leaders’ understanding of the what and why of Wit & Wisdom and to guide leaders to plan and prepare for successful implementation.

Outcomes
- Understand the what and why of Wit & Wisdom’s learning design.
- Realize the value of productive struggle for deep learning.
- Identify the instructional shifts that may be required of teachers.
- Understand the value of knowledge building.
- Know Wit & Wisdom’s process for unlocking complex texts—the Content Stages.
- Plan for module and lesson preparation.
- Anticipate what to expect in Year 1 of implementation.

Timeline
Schedule Lead Wit & Wisdom as soon as possible after adoption.

Activities
In this session, participants
- review research findings on what students need to succeed,
- connect findings with the benefits of productive struggle,
- examine an ELA test item to see the importance of integration,
- review program elements and analyze shifts the curriculum may require,
- analyze research on knowledge building and how the program reflects it,
- explore a visual text to experience the Content Stages that build comprehension,
- explore Wit & Wisdom’s integrated writing instruction,
- evaluate performance-based assessments,
- annotate planning protocols to plan how to best support teacher preparation, and
- reflect on learning.