

# Williamsburg County School District



## Learning Forward: Professional Learning Standards

**Context Standards:** Addresses the organization, system, and culture in which the new learning will occur and be implemented.

- **Learning Communities**

Staff development that improves the learning of all students **organizes adults into learning communities whose goals are aligned with those of the school and district.**

- **Leadership**

Staff development that improves the learning of all students **requires skillful school and district leaders who guide continuous instructional improvement.**

- **Resources**

Staff development that improves the learning of all students **requires resources to support adult learning and collaboration.**

**Process Standards:** Refers to the design and delivery of staff development. They describe the processes used to acquire new knowledge and skills.

- **Data Driven**

Staff development that improves the learning of all students **uses disaggregated student data to determine adult learning priorities, monitor progress, and help sustain continuous improvement.**

- **Evaluation**

Staff development that improves the learning of all **students uses multiple sources of information to guide improvement and demonstrate its impact .**

- **Research-Based**

Staff development that improves the learning of all students **prepares educators to apply research to decision making.**

- **Design**

Staff development that improves the learning of all students **uses learning strategies appropriate to the intended goal.**

- **Learning**

Staff development that improves the learning of all students **applies knowledge about human learning and change.**

- **Collaboration**

Staff development that improves the learning of all students **provides educators with the knowledge and skills to collaborate.**

**Content Standards:** Refer to the actual skills and knowledge that effective educators need to possess to produce higher levels of student learning .

- **Equity**

Staff development that improves the learning of all students **prepares educators to understand and appreciate all students; create safe, orderly and supportive learning environments; and hold high expectations for their academic achievement.**

- **Quality Teaching**

Staff development that improves the learning of all students **deepens educators content knowledge, provides them with research-based instructional strategies to assist students in meeting rigorous academic standards, and prepares them to use various types of classroom assessments appropriately.**

- **Family Involvement**

Staff development that improves the learning of all students **provides educators with knowledge and skills to involve families and other stakeholders appropriately.**