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THE EDUCATOR'S VIRTUAL MENTOR (EVM)

I had no idea of how comprehensive the EDUCATOR'S VIRTUAL MENTOR system was in terms of grade level, content areas and research evidence to back up best teaching practices. Teaching kids today is as challenging as it ever has been but it can also be as rewarding as it ever was if we know how to engage learners. I could get real excited about what you have done and are doing to assist teachers and administrators to focus on the improvement of quality of the teaching/learning process.

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LEARNING FOR THE FUTURE

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Superintendents... Invest in visual tools that enhance instructional leadership.

EVM SUPPORTS NCLB - TITLE II PART A - TEACHER QUALITY ENHANCEMENT ACT BY AUGMENTING DISTRICT AND STATE EFFORTS THAT:	EVM Compliance
provide resources so principals have the instructional tools to help all teachers teach and all students learn;	✓
encourage personal teaching assessment and development of personal instructional growth plans;	✓
support mentor programs and teacher induction processes with visual examples of quality teaching;	✓
strengthen alternative pathways into teaching;	✓
provide meaningful critical assistance	✓

“Learning for The Future offers a great new paradigm for teacher development and provides rich opportunities for improved teacher effectiveness and school improvement. School districts everywhere will benefit from being able to provide teachers quality staff development with such a user friendly interactive format.”

*Dr. James Davis, Superintendent
Hattiesburg Public Schools
Hattiesburg, MS*

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Superintendents & Central Office Leaders

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*can now create
District Level
Instructional Focus*

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*can now develop
Districtwide Interrater
Reliability in Evaluations*

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*can now provide
Economical Building Level
Instructional Support*

Web Site

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**A NEW AND INNOVATIVE
VISUAL RESOURCE
TO SUPPORT
INSTRUCTIONAL LEADERSHIP**

The EVM tool facilitates:

- ▶ **District Instructional Focus**
- ▶ **Administrator Growth**
- ▶ **Interrater Reliability for Evaluations**
- ▶ **Supports Building Level Instructional Leadership**
- ▶ **Team relationship building**

I personally feel as if the Educator's Virtual Mentor assists the administration. As I have become familiar with the site, I can suggest that teachers visit a specific concept to improve instruction, or to strengthen what they are already doing well. When I write up a walk through observation or a formal evaluation, I can discuss with the teacher what they are doing well, or what I believe they need to improve on, and the teacher can immediately go to the EVM website for growth or reinforcement. I find this makes my job as an educational leader more meaningful working with both master teachers and at risk teachers as well.

*Jim Koontz, Superintendent
Newman Grove Schools
Newman Grove, Nebraska*

**Superintendents -
Central Office Leadership Team**

The Educator's Virtual Mentor (EVM) provides multiple web-streamed video clips featuring teachers from across the country teaching in authentic classrooms coordinated with researched best practices. Use these film clips for the following:

Develop Interrater Reliability Among Evaluators

Lead by Example – Invest time and resources to focus on instruction

Create Expectations for Instructional Competence – Monthly instructional focus

Support Building Level Leadership – EVM tools facilitate instructional leadership

Demonstrate Instructional Awareness – Video models of best practices

Peer-to-Peer Discussion – Formative comments on shared observations

Walk Through Observations – View short clips to develop observation skills

Individual Administrator Growth – Enhance appraisal skills

Having Educator's Virtual Mentor available to every administrator and coordinator in Lincoln Public Schools provides them with a valuable tool to use in their work as instructional leaders. The video clips with accompanying research based articles, and the questions, will assist them in reviewing strong instructional practice with their staffs. An additional benefit will be the option to use EVM as a remediation tool.

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