

Suggested Steps for Structured Dialogue

1. Interact in small, mixed groups with varied grade and subject areas in order to bring different perspectives to the dialogue.
2. Provide any needed data including the results of the PLCDR, PLCA-R or the PLCA-DS.
3. Allow each person to share her/his opinion and rationale without interruption.
4. Seek differing views and ask for clarification, when needed.
5. Be sure the climate is a safe one with each person withholding judgments.
6. Encourage similarities and differences in thoughts and practice to be spoken, shared, and understood.
7. Be sure the group members engage in an ongoing process of continuous interaction with multiple opportunities for facilitated conversations.
8. Provide opportunities for the group to arrive at plans for implementation and monitoring.
9. Shared meaning and purposeful action should result in improved communication and understanding.