Helping Arkansas Schools Transform Learning from System-Centered Practices to STUDENT-FOCUSED PRACTICES

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WHO WE ARE

Team of digital learning support specialists - developed through a partnership between the Division of Elementary and Secondary Education and Education Service Cooperatives.
WHAT WE DO

We are Arkansas' Own guiding curators for student-focused change. We support the planning, implementation and evaluation of digital learning environments in Arkansas.
WHY?

What is 21st century education?

[2012, EF Explore America]
THE VISION
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The Division of Elementary and Secondary Education is transforming Arkansas to lead the nation in student-focused education.
Personalized learning is tailoring learning for each student’s strengths, needs, and interests — including enabling student voice and choice in what, how, when and where they learn — to provide flexibility and supports to ensure mastery of the highest standards possible.”

- (Patrick, Kennedy, Powell 2013)
WHAT IS PERSONALIZED LEARNING?
COMPETENCY-BASED EDUCATION

Working definition states the following components

#1
Students advance upon demonstrated mastery.

#2
Competencies include explicit, measurable, transferable learning objectives that empower students.

#3
Assessment is meaningful and a positive learning experience for students.

#4
Students receive timely, personalized support based on their individual learning needs.

#5
Learning outcomes emphasize competencies that include application and creation of knowledge along with the development of important skills and dispositions.

Reference: iNACOL Definitions Project
WHAT IS COMPETENCY-BASED EDUCATION?
BLENDED LEARNING

Blended learning is any time a student learns at least in part at a supervised brick-and-mortar location away from home and at least in part through online delivery with some element of student control over time, place, path, and/or pace.

- Horn & Staker, 2014
STATION ROTATION MODEL
FLEX MODEL
PROFESSIONAL LEARNING
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TEAM DIGITAL'S IMPACT IN SCHOOLS
QUESTIONS?
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