Customized, On-site Professional Development for Music Educators!



Working side by side with educators to maximize student learning

The most effective professional development is ongoing and jobembedded – it is personalized and connected directly to one's teaching responsibilities.

Wendy Barden, lead consultant at Segue Consulting Partners, is ready to support a wide range of professional development needs for your music educators:

- New learning through 1-hour clinic sessions or half- to full-day workshops
- Leadership in music curriculum development from planning to implementation
- Guidance for Music PLCs to focus on student achievement
- Individual coaching for music-specific challenges.



Dr. Barden will customize any service or topic to your situation, your needs, and the amount of time available – just ask! Here are some of Wendy's most recent workshop topics.

Standards-Based Assessment & Grading in Music

Reporting standards; formative and summative assessment; feedback; achievement levels; multiple opportunities; concerts; independent practice; grading.

Measuring Student Growth in Music

Common, quality assessments; basic data cycle; item analysis; pre- and post-assessment; PLC and individual data analysis; student learning goals.

The Power of Feedback

Formative assessment; specific, descriptive feedback; reflection; managing use.

Developing 21st Century Skills

Teacher role and responsibility; connect to music learning; teaching strategies; rubrics and reflection.

Engaging All Students in the Music Room

Student-teacher relationships; cultural relevancy; motivation theory; behavior; poverty.

Motivating Students Who Don't Seem to Care

Student-teacher relationships; motivation theory; behavior.

Common Core Literacy Standards

English Language Arts Standards in History/Social Studies, Science and Technical Subjects; reading comprehension, vocabulary, writing, speaking and listening in music.

Reading Across All Content Areas

Research; difficulty level; reading comprehension.



Meet Wendy Barden! Dr. Barden recently retired from Osseo Area Schools (Minnesota) after 36 years in the district. She served as K-12 Music Coordinator for more than 20 years of her tenure. Along with that, her extensive teaching experience spans elementary through college levels in instrumental and general music classrooms. She has been honored as 1992 Minnesota Music Educators Association (MMEA) Band Educator of the Year, a 2013 Yale Distinguished Music Educator, and the 2014 inductee into the MMEA Hall of Fame. In retirement, she is teaching the International Baccalaureate music class at Park Center High School, and working with music educators across the country through Segue Consulting Partners. Wendy Barden holds B.S. and M.A. degrees in music education from the University of Minnesota. Her Ph.D., also from the University of Minnesota, is in music with emphasis in music education and musicology.