

## <u>Promoting Rigorous Outcomes in Math and</u> <u>Science Education</u>

**Overview, Fall 2004** 

# What is PROM/SE?

**PROM/SE** is a comprehensive research and development effort to improve mathematics and science teaching and learning in grades K-16, based on evidence about students and teachers, improvement and alignment of standards and instruction, and preparation and professional development of teachers – all aimed at improving student learning.



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#### National Advisors

#### **Project Organization**

#### **STEERING COMMITTEE**

Exec. Management Committee

#### Evaluator

Administrative Personnel

#### **Action Teams**

Partner Site Coordinators

## **PROM/SE Partners**

Ingham, MI Intermediate School District St. Clair County, MI Intermediate School District Calhoun County, MI Intermediate School District SMART Consortium – Cleveland, Ohio Area High AIMS Consortium – Cincinnati, Ohio Area Michigan State University

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## **PROM/SE Scope**

~350,000 K-12 students ~65 school districts ~1200 PROM/SE associates ~5000 inservice teachers ~ 800 preservice teachers

## PROM/SE Goals

- Gathering and analyzing data to inform curriculum and instruction decisions
- Helping all teachers to teach to high standards
- Building capacity among teachers
- Improving teacher education
- Improving student achievement

# Project Design, year-by-year

## Year 1: 2003-2004

- set up and organize project management and structure
- gather baseline evidence:
  - student achievement
  - teachers' topic emphasis survey
  - curriculum and standards
  - professional development
  - teacher and student background
- select PROM/SE Mathematics Associates
- **begin Leadership Professional Development:** PROM/SE Mathematics Associate/Administrator Institute, August, 2004

### Year 2: 2004-2005

- Detailed analysis of baseline data
- Interpretation of data with PROM/SE Associates
- Action plans (Associates and districts)
- Select PROM/SE Science Associates
- Teaching to Michigan and Ohio Standards
- Academic year workshops, Associates
- Initial work in buildings and districts, Associates
- Ongoing research and evaluation
- Summer Institute for Associates

#### Year 3: 2005 - 2006

- Mathematics Associates -- engaged in building and site level initiatives, locally designed
- PROM/SE Virtual Resource -- planning and piloting underway with Associates
- Science Associates -- weekend workshops
- Targeted follow-up assessment, linkage to state assessments

#### Years 4 & 5: 2006-2008

- Targeted follow-up assessment, linkage to state assessments
- Associates collaborating in buildings, districts
- Virtual PD Resource



## **PROM/SE** Associates

- A goal of the PROM/SE grant is for each school building in the project to have a PROM/SE Associate.
- Associates will play a key role in the success of the project and the improvement of mathematics and science education.
- Associates will be involved in professional development for themselves as well as playing a role, with the principal and central office, in the planning, coordinating, and implementing of professional development for others in their building.

## Associate Roles and Opportunities

Teacher
 Leader
 Learner
 Resource broker
 Designer

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# **Principal Roles and Opportunities**

Building administrator
 Instructional leader
 Learner
 Resource broker
 Designer

# Central Office Roles & Opportunities

District administrator
 Instructional leader
 Learner
 Resource broker
 Designer

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## **Teacher Roles and Opportunities**

 Teacher
 Learner
 Participant in "building level" learning community

# Focus of Summer Institute: August 2004

- Review and analysis of mathematics data and student achievement
- Review and reflection of mathematics standards, district curriculum and alignment, and student achievement
- Discussion and elaboration of Associates roles
- Begin to develop plans and identify next steps

# Questions for development of action plans:

- What is the most serious challenge in improving mathematics teaching and learning in your school?
- What is your evidence?