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Pedagogical Partnerships

Is the learning in your classroom static or dynamic? Shake Up Learning guides you through the process of creating dynamic learning opportunities-from purposeful planning and maximizing technology to fearless implementation.

School, Family, and Community Partnerships

The Illustrated London News

Now in its 8th edition, the "gold standard" in community health nursing provides comprehensive and up-to-date content to keep you at the forefront of the ever-changing community health climate and prepare you for an effective nursing career. In addition to a solid foundation in concepts and interventions for individuals, families, and communities, you will find real-life applications of the public nurse's role, Healthy People 2020 initiatives, new chapters on forensics and genomics, plus timely coverage of disaster management and important client populations such as pregnant teens, the homeless, immigrants, and more. Evidence-Based Practice boxes illustrate how the latest research findings apply to public/community health nursing. Separate chapters on disease outbreak

investigation and disaster management describe the nurse's role in surveilling public health and managing these types of threats to public health. Separate unit on the public/community health nurse's role describes the different roles and functions of the public/community health nurse within the community. Levels of Prevention boxes show how community/public health nurses deliver health care interventions at the primary, secondary, and tertiary levels of prevention. What Do You Think?, Did You Know?, and How To? boxes use practical examples and critical thinking exercises to illustrate chapter content. The Cutting Edge highlights significant issues and new approaches to community-oriented nursing practice. Practice Application provides case studies with critical thinking questions. Separate chapters on community health initiatives thoroughly describe different approaches to promoting health among populations. Appendixes offer additional resources and key information, such as screening and assessment tools and clinical practice guidelines. Linking Content to Practice boxes provide real-life applications for chapter content. NEW! Healthy People 2020 feature boxes highlight the goals and objectives for promoting health and wellness over the next decade. NEW! The Nurse in Forensics chapter focuses on the unique role of forensic nurses in public health and safety, interpersonal violence, mass violence, and disasters. NEW! Genomics in Public Health Nursing chapter includes a history of genetics and genomics and their impact on public/community health nursing care.

College Physics

Principles of Instructional Design

The aim of this pioneering volume is to advance our understanding of written language learning in instructed SLA by offering a collection of empirical studies in which the contribution of diverse theoretical perspectives to our understanding of L2 writing development will be explored. As such, the book represents a further attempt to situate written language learning at the core of applied linguistics research, in general, and SLA research, in particular, hence attempting to redress the oral bias of theoretical and empirical work in these fields. It adds a further building block onto recent TESOL initiatives aimed at understanding "development" in second and foreign language learning. Continuity from one chapter to another is provided by adherence to a consistent chapter model. The volume will be of great interest to academics in the disciplines of second/foreign language acquisition (SLA) and second/foreign language (L2) writing.

Health Professions Education

- A supplementary guide for students who are learning how to evaluate reports of empirical research published in academic journals.
- Your students will learn the practical aspects of evaluating research, not just how to apply a laundry list of

technical terms from their textbooks. • Each chapter is organized around evaluation questions. For each question, there is a concise explanation of how to apply it in the evaluation of research reports. • Numerous examples from journals in the social and behavioral sciences illustrate the application of the evaluation questions. Students see actual examples of strong and weak features of published reports. • Commonsense models for evaluation combined with a lack of jargon make it possible for students to start evaluating research articles the first week of class. • The structure of this book enables students to work with confidence while evaluating articles for homework. • Avoids oversimplification in the evaluation process by describing the nuances that may make an article publishable even though it has serious methodological flaws. Students learn when and why certain types of flaws may be tolerated. They learn why evaluation should not be performed mechanically. • This book received very high student evaluations when field-tested with students just beginning their study of research methods. • Contains more than 60 new examples from recently published research. In addition, minor changes have been made throughout for consistency with the latest edition of the Publication Manual of the American Psychological Association.

Education for Life and Work

Hard-headed evidence on why the returns from investing in girls are so high that no nation or family can afford not to educate their girls. Gene Sperling, author of

the seminal 2004 report published by the Council on Foreign Relations, and Rebecca Winthrop, director of the Center for Universal Education, have written this definitive book on the importance of girls' education. As Malala Yousafzai expresses in her foreword, the idea that any child could be denied an education due to poverty, custom, the law, or terrorist threats is just wrong and unimaginable. More than 1,000 studies have provided evidence that high-quality girls' education around the world leads to wide-ranging returns: Better outcomes in economic areas of growth and incomes Reduced rates of infant and maternal mortality Reduced rates of child marriage Reduced rates of the incidence of HIV/AIDS and malaria Increased agricultural productivity Increased resilience to natural disasters Women's empowerment What Works in Girls' Education is a compelling work for both concerned global citizens, and any academic, expert, nongovernmental organization (NGO) staff member, policymaker, or journalist seeking to dive into the evidence and policies on girls' education.

Evaluating Research in Academic Journals

2018 Outstanding Academic Title, Choice Ambitious Science Teaching outlines a powerful framework for science teaching to ensure that instruction is rigorous and equitable for students from all backgrounds. The practices presented in the book are being used in schools and districts that seek to improve science teaching at scale, and a wide range of science subjects and grade levels are represented. The

book is organized around four sets of core teaching practices: planning for engagement with big ideas; eliciting student thinking; supporting changes in students' thinking; and drawing together evidence-based explanations. Discussion of each practice includes tools and routines that teachers can use to support students' participation, transcripts of actual student-teacher dialogue and descriptions of teachers' thinking as it unfolds, and examples of student work. The book also provides explicit guidance for "opportunity to learn" strategies that can help scaffold the participation of diverse students. Since the success of these practices depends so heavily on discourse among students, *Ambitious Science Teaching* includes chapters on productive classroom talk. Science-specific skills such as modeling and scientific argument are also covered. Drawing on the emerging research on core teaching practices and their extensive work with preservice and in-service teachers, *Ambitious Science Teaching* presents a coherent and aligned set of resources for educators striving to meet the considerable challenges that have been set for them.

The Power of Teacher Teams

Right now, 70% of Americans aren't passionate about their work and are desperately longing for meaning and purpose. They're sick of "average" and know there's something better out there, but they just don't know how to reach it. One basic principle—The Proximity Principle—can change everything you thought you

knew about pursuing a career you love. In his latest book, *The Proximity Principle*, national radio host and career expert Ken Coleman provides a simple plan of how positioning yourself near the right people and places can help you land the job you love. Forget the traditional career advice you've heard! Networking, handing out business cards, and updating your online profile do nothing to set you apart from other candidates. Ken will show you how to be intentional and genuine about the connections you make with a fresh, unexpected take on resumes and the job interview process. You'll discover the five people you should look for and the four best places to grow, learn, practice, and perform so you can step into the role you were created to fill. After reading *The Proximity Principle*, you'll know how to connect with the right people and put yourself in the right places, so opportunities will come—and you'll be prepared to take them.

What Works in Girls' Education

This book constitutes the refereed proceedings of the 12th International Conference on Blended Learning, ICBL 2019, held in Hradec Kralove, Czech Republic, in July 2019. The 28 papers presented were carefully reviewed and selected from 80 submissions. The papers are organized in topical sections named: personalized and adaptive learning; content development for blended learning; experience in blended learning; analytics and evaluation for blended learning; open educational resources; and pedagogical and psychological issues.

Bandit Algorithms

An introduction to leadership draws on a program developed for an elementary school to show how to apply the principles of "The 7 Habits of Highly Effective People" to help everyone, including young children, identify and use their individual talents.

Guide to Transnational Cooperation in the Field of Distance Training

Pedagogical Partnerships and its accompanying resources provide step-by-step guidance to support the conceptualization, development, launch, and sustainability of pedagogical partnership programs in the classroom and curriculum. This definitive guide is written for faculty, students, and academic developers who are looking to use pedagogical partnerships to increase engaged learning, create more equitable and inclusive educational experiences, and reframe the traditionally hierarchical structure of teacher-student relationships. Filled with practical advice, Pedagogical Partnerships provides extensive materials so that readers don't have to reinvent the wheel, but rather can adapt time-tested and research-informed strategies and techniques to their own unique contexts and goals.

The Leader in Me

Formative assessment is one of the best ways to increase student learning and enhance teacher quality. But effective formative assessment is not part of most classrooms, largely because teachers misunderstand what it is and don't have the necessary skills to implement it. In the updated 2nd edition of this practical guide for school leaders, authors Connie M. Moss and Susan M. Brookhart define formative assessment as an active, continual process in which teachers and students work together—every day, every minute—to gather evidence of learning, always keeping in mind three guiding questions: Where am I going? Where am I now? What strategy or strategies can help me get to where I need to go? Chapters focus on the six interrelated elements of formative assessment: (1) shared learning targets and criteria for success, (2) feedback that feeds learning forward, (3) student self-assessment and peer assessment, (4) student goal setting, (5) strategic teacher questioning, and (6) student engagement in asking effective questions. Using specific examples based on their extensive work with teachers, the authors provide - Strategic talking points and conversation starters to address common misconceptions about formative assessment; - Practical classroom strategies to share with teachers that cultivate students as self-regulated, assessment-capable learners; - Ways to model the elements of formative assessment in conversations with teachers about their professional learning; - "What if" scenarios and advice for how to deal with them; and - Questions for

reflection to gauge understanding and progress. As Moss and Brookhart emphasize, the goal is not to "do" formative assessment, but to embrace a major cultural change that moves away from teacher-led instruction to a partnership of intentional inquiry between student and teacher, with better teaching and learning as the outcome.

Management Information Systems

The Institute of Medicine study *Crossing the Quality Chasm* (2001) recommended that an interdisciplinary summit be held to further reform of health professions education in order to enhance quality and patient safety. *Health Professions Education: A Bridge to Quality* is the follow up to that summit, held in June 2002, where 150 participants across disciplines and occupations developed ideas about how to integrate a core set of competencies into health professions education. These core competencies include patient-centered care, interdisciplinary teams, evidence-based practice, quality improvement, and informatics. This book recommends a mix of approaches to health education improvement, including those related to oversight processes, the training environment, research, public reporting, and leadership. Educators, administrators, and health professionals can use this book to help achieve an approach to education that better prepares clinicians to meet both the needs of patients and the requirements of a changing health care system.

The Art and Science of Teaching

Since the publication of the Institute of Medicine (IOM) report *Clinical Practice Guidelines We Can Trust* in 2011, there has been an increasing emphasis on assuring that clinical practice guidelines are trustworthy, developed in a transparent fashion, and based on a systematic review of the available research evidence. To align with the IOM recommendations and to meet the new requirements for inclusion of a guideline in the National Guidelines Clearinghouse of the Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality (AHRQ), American Psychiatric Association (APA) has adopted a new process for practice guideline development. Under this new process APA's practice guidelines also seek to provide better clinical utility and usability. Rather than a broad overview of treatment for a disorder, new practice guidelines focus on a set of discrete clinical questions of relevance to an overarching subject area. A systematic review of evidence is conducted to address these clinical questions and involves a detailed assessment of individual studies. The quality of the overall body of evidence is also rated and is summarized in the practice guideline. With the new process, recommendations are determined by weighing potential benefits and harms of an intervention in a specific clinical context. Clear, concise, and actionable recommendation statements help clinicians to incorporate recommendations into clinical practice, with the goal of improving quality of care. The new practice guideline format is also designed to be more user friendly by dividing information into modules on specific

clinical questions. Each module has a consistent organization, which will assist users in finding clinically useful and relevant information quickly and easily. This new edition of the practice guidelines on psychiatric evaluation for adults is the first set of the APA's guidelines developed under the new guideline development process. These guidelines address the following nine topics, in the context of an initial psychiatric evaluation: review of psychiatric symptoms, trauma history, and treatment history; substance use assessment; assessment of suicide risk; assessment for risk of aggressive behaviors; assessment of cultural factors; assessment of medical health; quantitative assessment; involvement of the patient in treatment decision making; and documentation of the psychiatric evaluation. Each guideline recommends or suggests topics to include during an initial psychiatric evaluation. Findings from an expert opinion survey have also been taken into consideration in making recommendations or suggestions. In addition to reviewing the available evidence on psychiatry evaluation, each guideline also provides guidance to clinicians on implementing these recommendations to enhance patient care.

A Guide to the Project Management Body of Knowledge (PMBOK(R) Guide-Sixth Edition / Agile Practice Guide Bundle (HINDI)

Strengthen family and community engagement to promote equity and increase student success! When schools, families, and communities collaborate and share responsibility for students' education, more students succeed in school. Based on 30 years of research and fieldwork, this fourth edition of a bestseller provides tools and guidelines to use to develop more effective and equitable programs of family and community engagement. Written by a team of well-known experts, this foundational text demonstrates a proven approach to implement and sustain inclusive, goal-oriented programs. Readers will find: Many examples and vignettes Rubrics and checklists for implementation of plans CD-ROM complete with slides and notes for workshop presentations

Med-Surg Success

The American Psychiatric Association Practice Guidelines for the Psychiatric Evaluation of Adults, Third Edition

In Going Online, one of our most respected online learning leaders offers insights into virtual education—what it is, how it works, where it came from, and where it may be headed. Robert Ubell reaches back to the days when distance learning was practiced by mail in correspondence schools and then leads us on a tour behind

the screen, touching on a wide array of topics along the way, including what it takes to teach online and the virtual student experience. You'll learn about: how to build a sustainable online program; how to create an active learning online course; why so many faculty resist teaching online; how virtual teamwork enhances digital instruction; how to manage online course ownership; how learning analytics improves online instruction. Ubell says that it is not technology alone, but rather unconventional pedagogies, supported by technological innovations, that truly activate today's classrooms. He argues that innovations introduced online—principally peer-to-peer and collaborative learning—offer significantly increased creative learning options across all age groups and educational sectors. This impressive collection, drawn from Ubell's decades of experience as a digital education pioneer, presents a powerful case for embracing online learning for its transformational potential.

Education Management Information Systems (EMIS)

Every day, companies struggle to scale critical applications. As traffic volume and data demands increase, these applications become more complicated and brittle, exposing risks and compromising availability. This practical guide shows IT, devops, and system reliability managers how to prevent an application from becoming slow, inconsistent, or downright unavailable as it grows. Scaling isn't just about handling more users; it's also about managing risk and ensuring availability.

Author Lee Atchison provides basic techniques for building applications that can handle huge quantities of traffic, data, and demand without affecting the quality your customers expect. In five parts, this book explores: Availability: learn techniques for building highly available applications, and for tracking and improving availability going forward Risk management: identify, mitigate, and manage risks in your application, test your recovery/disaster plans, and build out systems that contain fewer risks Services and microservices: understand the value of services for building complicated applications that need to operate at higher scale Scaling applications: assign services to specific teams, label the criticalness of each service, and devise failure scenarios and recovery plans Cloud services: understand the structure of cloud-based services, resource allocation, and service distribution

Public Health Nursing - E-Book

Bestemd voor onderwijkskundigen en werkers in verwante opvoedkundige beroepen

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With exquisitely detailed illustrations, an invented language, and tragicomic flair, Carson Ellis invites readers to imagine the dramatic possibilities to be found in

even the humblest backyard.

Advancing Formative Assessment in Every Classroom

Assure your mastery of medical-surgical nursing knowledge while honing your critical thinking and test-taking skills. The 3rd Edition of this popular resource features over 2,300 questions (including 550 alternate-format questions) that reflect the latest advances in medical-surgical nursing and the latest NCLEX-RN® test plan. They organize the seemingly huge volume of information you must master into manageable sections divided by body systems and specific diseases

Universal Design in Higher Education

Online & Blended Learning

To support the broadening spectrum of project delivery approaches, PMI is offering A Guide to the Project Management Body of Knowledge (PMBOK® Guide) – Sixth Edition as a bundle with its latest, the Agile Practice Guide. The PMBOK® Guide – Sixth Edition now contains detailed information about agile; while the Agile Practice Guide, created in partnership with Agile Alliance®, serves as a bridge to connect

waterfall and agile. Together they are a powerful tool for project managers. The PMBOK® Guide – Sixth Edition – PMI's flagship publication has been updated to reflect the latest good practices in project management. New to the Sixth Edition, each knowledge area will contain a section entitled Approaches for Agile, Iterative and Adaptive Environments, describing how these practices integrate in project settings. It will also contain more emphasis on strategic and business knowledge—including discussion of project management business documents—and information on the PMI Talent Triangle™ and the essential skills for success in today's market. Agile Practice Guide has been developed as a resource to understand, evaluate, and use agile and hybrid agile approaches. This practice guide provides guidance on when, where, and how to apply agile approaches and provides practical tools for practitioners and organizations wanting to increase agility. This practice guide is aligned with other PMI standards, including A Guide to the Project Management Body of Knowledge (PMBOK® Guide) – Sixth Edition, and was developed as the result of collaboration between the Project Management Institute and the Agile Alliance.

General, Organic, and Biological Chemistry

The popular author of Classroom Instruction That Works discusses 10 questions that can help teachers sharpen their craft and do what really works for the particular students in their classroom.

School, Family, and Community Partnerships, Student Economy Edition

A comprehensive and rigorous introduction for graduate students and researchers, with applications in sequential decision-making problems.

Shake Up Learning

In "Online Education: Global Questions, Local Answers", 24 college educators focus on the most important questions to be addressed by all scholar-teachers and administrators committed to developing high-quality online education programs. We describe these questions as "global" because they transcend the particular situations of individual institutions. They are questions that everyone involved in online education needs to address: What are the issues to consider when first developing and then sustaining an online education program? How do we create interactive, pedagogically sound online courses and classroom communities? How should we monitor and assess the quality of online courses and programs? And how should recent developments and innovations in online education cause us to reexamine our roles and responsibilities as educators in technical communication? While these global questions affect all of us in one way or another, they demand different local answers, such as those presented by the contributors

to this text. Readers will need to consider which of these local answers might apply to their own situations and how these answers might need to be adapted to reflect the particular needs of their own institutions.

Blended Learning: Educational Innovation for Personalized Learning

Teaching Online: A Practical Guide is a practical, concise guide for educators teaching online. This updated edition has been fully revamped and reflects important changes that have occurred since the second edition's publication. A leader in the online field, this best-selling resource maintains its reader friendly tone and offers exceptional practical advice, new teaching examples, faculty interviews, and an updated resource section. New to this edition: new chapter on how faculty and instructional designers can work collaboratively expanded chapter on Open Educational Resources, copyright, and intellectual property more international relevance, with global examples and interviews with faculty in a wide variety of regions new interactive Companion Website that invites readers to post questions to the author, offers real-life case studies submitted by users, and includes an updated, online version of the resource section. Focusing on the "how" and "whys" of implementation rather than theory, this text is a must-have resource for anyone teaching online or for students enrolled in Distance Learning and

Educational Technology Masters Programs.

Architecting for Scale

This book's companion DVD features richly detailed video case studies that outline concrete steps for developing effective teams that transform schools into learning communities.

Essentials for Blended Learning

Presents a multifaceted model of understanding, which is based on the premise that people can demonstrate understanding in a variety of ways.

Emerging Technologies in Distance Education

Americans have long recognized that investments in public education contribute to the common good, enhancing national prosperity and supporting stable families, neighborhoods, and communities. Education is even more critical today, in the face of economic, environmental, and social challenges. Today's children can meet future challenges if their schooling and informal learning activities prepare them for adult roles as citizens, employees, managers, parents, volunteers, and

entrepreneurs. To achieve their full potential as adults, young people need to develop a range of skills and knowledge that facilitate mastery and application of English, mathematics, and other school subjects. At the same time, business and political leaders are increasingly asking schools to develop skills such as problem solving, critical thinking, communication, collaboration, and self-management - often referred to as "21st century skills." Education for Life and Work: Developing Transferable Knowledge and Skills in the 21st Century describes this important set of key skills that increase deeper learning, college and career readiness, student-centered learning, and higher order thinking. These labels include both cognitive and non-cognitive skills- such as critical thinking, problem solving, collaboration, effective communication, motivation, persistence, and learning to learn. 21st century skills also include creativity, innovation, and ethics that are important to later success and may be developed in formal or informal learning environments. This report also describes how these skills relate to each other and to more traditional academic skills and content in the key disciplines of reading, mathematics, and science. Education for Life and Work: Developing Transferable Knowledge and Skills in the 21st Century summarizes the findings of the research that investigates the importance of such skills to success in education, work, and other areas of adult responsibility and that demonstrates the importance of developing these skills in K-16 education. In this report, features related to learning these skills are identified, which include teacher professional development, curriculum, assessment, after-school and out-of-school programs, and informal

learning centers such as exhibits and museums.

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Ambitious Science Teaching

This collection of books highlights cutting-edge research and practice in online and blended learning.

Going Online

Universal Design in Higher Education looks at the design of physical and technological environments at institutions of higher education; at issues pertaining to curriculum and instruction; and at the full array of student services. Universal Design in Higher Education is a comprehensive guide for researchers and practitioners on creating fully accessible college and university programs. It is founded upon, and contributes to, theories of universal design in education that have been gaining increasingly wide attention in recent years. As greater numbers of students with disabilities attend postsecondary educational institutions, administrators have expressed increased interest in making their programs

accessible to all students. This book provides both theoretical and practical guidance for schools as they work to turn this admirable goal into a reality. It addresses a comprehensive range of topics on universal design for higher education institutions, thus making a crucial contribution to the growing body of literature on special education and universal design. This book will be of unique value to university and college administrators, and to special education researchers, practitioners, and activists.

L2 Writing Development: Multiple Perspectives

Frost and Deal's General, Organic, and Biological Chemistry gives students a focused introduction to the fundamental and relevant connections between chemistry and life. Emphasizing the development of problem-solving skills with distinct Inquiry Questions and Activities, this text empowers students to solve problems in different and applied contexts relating to health and biochemistry. Integrated coverage of biochemical applications throughout keeps students interested in the material and allow for a more efficient progression through the topics. Concise, practical, and integrated, Frost's streamlined approach offers students a clear path through the content. Applications throughout the narrative, the visual program, and problem-solving support in each chapter improve their retention of the concepts and skills as they master them. General, organic, and biological chemistry topics are integrated throughout each chapter to create a

seamless framework that immediately relates chemistry to students' future allied health careers and their everyday lives. Note: This is the standalone book, if you want the book/access card order the ISBN below: 0321802632 / 9780321802637 General, Organic, and Biological Chemistry Plus MasteringChemistry with eText -- Access Card Package Package consists of: 0321803035 / 9780321803030 General, Organic, and Biological Chemistry 0321833945 / 9780321833945 MasteringChemistry with Pearson eText -- ValuePack Access Card -- for General, Organic, and Biological Chemistry

Resources in Education

This text blends traditional introductory physics topics with an emphasis on human applications and an expanded coverage of modern physics topics, such as the existence of atoms and the conversion of mass into energy. Topical coverage is combined with the author's lively, conversational writing style, innovative features, the direct and clear manner of presentation, and the emphasis on problem solving and practical applications.

Teaching Online

A one-stop knowledge resource, Emerging Technologies in Distance Education

showcases the international work of research scholars and innovative distance education practitioners who use emerging interactive technologies for teaching and learning at a distance. This widely anticipated book harnesses the dispersed knowledge of international experts who highlight pedagogical, organizational, cultural, social, and economic factors that influence the adoption and integration of emerging technologies in distance education. Whether as a result of technological advances, changing mindsets, or economic and organizational pressures, this book provides expert advice on how educators can launch effective and engaging distance education initiatives. It goes beyond the hype surrounding Web 2.0 technologies and highlights the important issues that researchers and educators need to consider to enhance educational practice. George Veletsionos is assistant professor of instructional technology at the University of Texas.

Online Education

Essentials for Blended Learning: A Standards-Based Guide provides a practical, streamlined approach for creating effective learning experiences by blending online activities and the best of face-to-face teaching. This guide is: Easy to use: Clear, jargon-free writing; illustrations; and references to online resources help readers understand concepts. Streamlined: A simple but effective design process focuses on creating manageable activities for the right environment. Practical: Real-world examples from different subject areas help teachers understand principles in

context. Contemporary: The variety of modern, connected technologies covered in the guide addresses a range of teaching challenges. Forward-Looking: The approach bridges the gap between formal classroom learning and informal lifelong learning. Standards-based: Guidelines and standards are based on current research in the field, relevant learning theories, and practitioner experiences. Effective blended learning requires significant rethinking of teaching practices and a fundamental redesign of course structure. Essentials for Blended Learning: A Standards-Based Guide simplifies these difficult challenges without neglecting important opportunities to transform teaching. This guide is suitable for teachers in any content area. Please visit www.essentialforblended.com for additional resources.

Understanding by Design

Updated and revised throughout, Joyce Epstein's classic book provides a framework for thinking about, talking about, and actually building comprehensive programs for school and family partnerships.

The Proximity Principle

This guide was developed to help administrators develop transnational distance

education programs. It is organized in the order in which a cooperative project develops, using a question-and-answer format. The first seven chapters of the guide are structured to reflect the successive phases of a project: (1) Why should transnational cooperation be set up? (2) how to find the right partners; (3) how to define and agree on a working program; (4) how to define and agree on a financial plan; (5) how to obtain support for a project; (6) how to administer a cooperation project; and (7) how to use the results of cooperation. The eighth chapter contains a brief description of a few typical cases of transnational cooperation; for its examples, it refers to and quotes from the first seven chapters. The ninth chapter is a summary of some of the programs being promoted by the Commission of the European Communities, and the 10th chapter contains useful background on information sources. (KC)

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