Leadership Institute – Vermont

Enhancing School Improvement:
Addressing Barriers to Learning and Reducing the Achievement Gap

9:00-9:15 Welcome and Overview
- Why Today’s Session is Important
- Why we invited Howard & Linda to assist with the work
  (High-level administrator in the department)

9:15-10:00 Why is a System of Learning Supports Imperative for School Improvement?
Overview Presentation by Howard & Linda focusing on:
  >What’s needed and what’s missing in terms of current policy and practice

10:00-10:15 Brief group discussion:
What Barriers to Learning/Teaching are Staff Experiencing in the Schools?

10:15-10:30 Break

10:30-11:50 What is a System of Learning Supports?
Overview Presentation by Howard & Linda focusing on:
  >A comprehensive, multifaceted, and cohesive intervention approach
  >An Integrated infrastructure for developing the approach

11:50-12:00 Brief group discussion
What do we need to do next to enhance school improvement by addressing barriers to learning and reducing the achievement gap?

12:00-12:10 What are Our Next Steps in Addressing Barriers to Learning?
  (High-level administrator in the department)

12:10-1:00 Lunch

Follow-up Session with Policy Makers

1:00-3:00 Group Comments, Questions, Concerns Related to the Morning Presentation and moving forward
  >Where do you want to go so that your schools are more effective in addressing barriers to learning and reducing the achievement gap?
  >Next steps?

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