

*School systems are not responsible for
meeting every need of their students.
But when the need directly affects learning,
the school must meet the challenge.*
Carnegie Task Force on Education

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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