



Minnesota Middle School Association

Middle Level Promise and Practice Summer Institute 2015 Implementing Standards Based Grading - A Day with Rick Wormeli

Join us for an unusually practical training on how to move standards-based grading from just a couple of teachers in the building to the entire faculty and larger community. We'll begin with an overview of standards-based grading, including answering burning issue questions that still linger, then we'll identify more than two dozen strategies to help teachers shift their thinking and practices. In the afternoon, participants will create an initial professional development plan based on the morning's suggestions followed by critique of those plans. While we will clarify what is and is not standards-based grading and will include brief descriptions of its elements during the day, this is not a seminar to learn standards-based grading for the first time.



Two Locations and Dates!

Duluth, Minnesota

Monday, June 29, 2015

Lincoln Park Middle School

3215 West 3rd Street, Duluth, MN 55806

218-336-8940

Lakeville, Minnesota

Tuesday, June 30, 2015

Lakeville South High School

21135 Jacquard Ave, Lakeville, MN 55044

952-232-3300



Register on-line at:

www.mmsa.info

or use the enclosed form.

This workshop is extremely popular - don't miss out on the opportunity!

Comments from teachers:

"I can use everything Rick talked about in my classroom and it really made me look deeper into my teaching practices."

"Stimulating and practical! Rick reminds us of what our classroom dynamics should be like every day!"

"I am convinced that this is the best way to go, and I feel like I have enough great info to get myself started this coming year."

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One form per registrant. Form may be duplicated.

Last Name _____ First Name _____

Job Title: (choose one)

Principal Asst. Principal Central Office Teacher Guidance Technology Library Staff
 Superintendent/Asst. Superintendent University Professor University Administrator Curriculum State Dept. of Ed
 Other _____

Grade/Subject (if applicable) _____

School/Organization _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____ Country (if not in U.S.) _____

Phone (work) _____ Phone _____ Fax _____

Email (required) _____

Check here if you have special needs requiring provisions, meals, or services. Need: _____

Workshop Fees: *Lunch and conference materials included.*

Location attending (Check one)

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Lakeville, MN - June 30, 2015

Individual Registration

Early Registration by June 15, 2015..... \$ 149.00
 Registration after June 15, 2015 \$ 179.00
 On-site registration only (if space is available)..... \$ 179.00

Group Registration - Register 4 people and get a 5th registration free!

For every four people registered and paid at the regular price get a 5th registration for free! *Not available on-site.*

Registration by June 15, 2015..... \$ 596.00 (\$119.20 each for 5 people)

*Note: A registration form must be filled out for the 5th person. (*Registrations 6, 7, and 8 are at regular price.*)

**** All registrations must be received together with payment. Team cancellations are non-refundable. (We suggest a substitution.)
\$25 processing fee for all cancellations. No refunds after June 15, 2015**

Payment: (*Must accompany form to be registered.*)

Total amount paid _____

CK# _____ Check payable to Minnesota Middle School Association (MMSA)

PO# _____ Official Purchase Order attached. (A valid hard copy purchase order must accompany form to be processed.)

Signature _____

Please return completed form to:

Duluth – Annette Strom, MMSA (annette.strom@isd709.org), Ordean-East Middle School, 2900 East 4th St. Duluth, MN 55812

Lakeville - Margaret Porter, MMSA (port1225@isd194.org), Kenwood Trail Middle School, 19455 Kenwood Trail West, Lakeville, MN 55044

Participants new to standards-based grading are encouraged to read and discuss one of the following books before attending the workshop:

Grading Exceptional and Struggling Learners (Guskey and Jung)

On Your Mark: Challenging the Conventions of Grading and Reporting Paperback (Guskey)

Grading Smarter, Not Harder (Dueck)

How to Grade for Learning (O'Connor)

A Repair Kit for Grading: 15 Fixes for Broken Grades (O'Connor)

Fair Isn't Always Equal (Wormeli)

Elements of Grading: A Guide to Effective Practice (Reeves)

Standards-based grading is worth every extended conversation with cynical stakeholders, every revision of school policy. Grade integrity and students' real futures are at stake. Principals, teachers, school board members, and parents, however, often say they want to implement SBG, but they worry about how to get everyone on board. Come to this one of a kind workshop, and find out how it's done!

Rick Wormeli Background

One of the first Nationally Board Certified teachers in America, Rick brings innovation, energy, validity and high standards to both his presentations, and his instructional practice, which includes 33 years teaching math, science, English, physical education, health, and history and coaching teachers and principals. Rick's work has been reported in numerous media, including ABC's "Good Morning America," "Hardball with Chris Matthews," National Geographic and Good Housekeeping magazines, What Matters Most: Teaching for the 21st Century, and the Washington Post. He is a columnist for Middle Ground magazine, and a frequent contributor to ASCD's Education Leadership magazine. He is the author of the award-winning book, Meet Me in the Middle, as well as the best-selling books, Day One and Beyond, Fair Isn't Always Equal: Assessment and Grading in the Differentiated Classroom, Differentiation: From Planning to Practice, Metaphors & Analogies: Power Tools for Teaching any Subject, all five from Stenhouse Publishers, as well as Summarization in any Subject, published by ASCD. His new book, The Collected Writings (So Far) of Rick Wormeli: Crazy Good Stuff I Learned about Teaching Along the Way was released in January 2013. His classroom practice is a showcase for ASCD's best-selling series, "At Work in the Differentiated Classroom."

With his substantive presentations, sense of humor, and unconventional approaches, he's been asked to present to teachers and administrators in all 50 states, Canada, China, Europe, Japan, Vietnam, Korea, Australia, the Middle East, and at the White House. He is a seasoned veteran of many international Web casts, and he is Disney's American Teacher Awards 1996 Outstanding English Teacher of the Nation. He won the 2008 James P. Garvin award from the New England League of Middle Schools for Teaching Excellence, Service, and Leadership, and he has been a consultant for National Public Radio, USA Today, Court TV, and the Smithsonian Institution's Natural Partners Program and their search for the Giant Squid. In June 2012, Rick was the graduation commencement speaker for the highest performing, public high school in the Washington, D.C. area. He lives in Herndon, Virginia with his wife and two children, who are both now in college. He is currently working on his first young adult fiction novel and a new book on homework practices in the 21st century.