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Steve's Sound-Off

September 2015

Dear Friends and Colleagues:

The world has certainly changed since I was in school. Technology has made it possible for learning to occur anywhere, at any time. Edwards Ed offers not only face-to-face trainings, but also virtual trainings to fit the unique needs and logistics of your group. Our services are truly tailored to your schools!

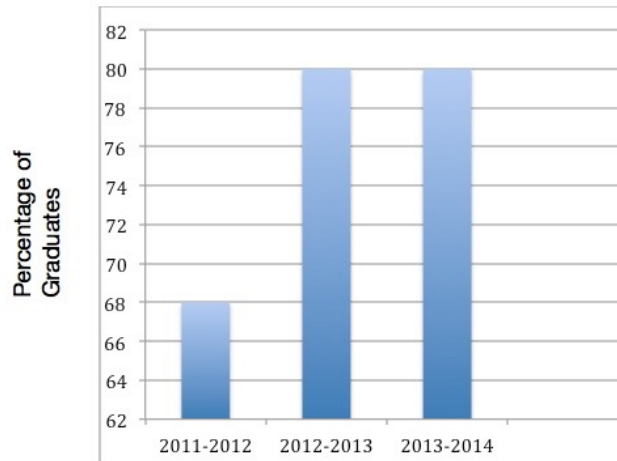
~Steve

Success Story of the Month

Congrats to Oak Hill High School in Fayette County, West Virginia for their steady rise in graduation rate and focus on building strong relationships with students!

"Through our continued work with Edwards Educational Solutions focusing on Dropout Prevention, we have seen a substantial growth in our methods for addressing student needs. While data has shown an almost 9% increase in the graduation rate over the course of the past three years, our greatest success centers on the relationships that we are building with our kids and school community. The support provided by the Edwards group combined with climate and culture efforts have helped us to foster ideas and practices to recognize at-risk students long before grade cards are sent home." Oak Hill Administrative Staff

Oak Hill High School Graduation Rates



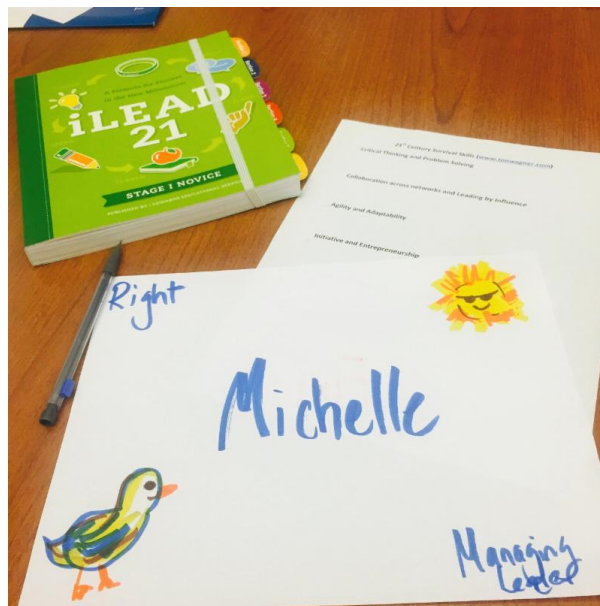
Alabama PACT

Edwards Ed is continuing its work with the Alabama PACT (Project Alabama Consortium for Turnaround) Program. PACT is designed to: (1) to provide a program of study and professional development for identified aspiring school leaders who have the potential to become highly effective school administrators and visionary turnaround specialists; and (2) to provide individual assessment and targeted professional development to currently licensed school leaders. Here is a look at the most recent meeting this September.



iLead Trainings

The North Borough School District in Alaska and the Campagna Center in Alexandria, Virginia both participated in fun, interactive iLead trainings this month. iLead 21 is a leadership development program that prepares students for college, careers, and global citizenship. If you are contemplating bringing iLead into your school but face logistical challenges, we offer both face-to-face and virtual training options! Here's a peek at our training with the Campagna Center:



Save the date! This November 5-7, the [National Youth at Risk Conference](#) arrives in Las Vegas, Nevada. Conference attendees will have the opportunity to:

- Identify specific instructional strategies to increase student engagement and achievement in school.
- Examine social issues that place youth at risk and identify steps to address these issues to increase student engagement and achievement in school.
- See Dr. Steven Edwards in action!

THOUGHT LEADER

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SCHOOL CLIMATE / TRANSFORMATIONAL LEADERSHIP Settings

Accommodating the unique needs in rural settings to improve a positive school climate, attendance, achievement, graduation, and college and career readiness for all students, especially high-poverty populations.

PRESENTATION: "Everyone Wants Reform, But No One Wants Change: The Demons Of Status Quo"

[Learn Forward](#), December 5-9, 2-15 at the Gaylord National outside of Washington, D.C. Gain practical solutions to the challenges you face in your classroom, school, or district every day!



[2016 National Conference on Bullying & Child Victimization](#), February 21-24, 2016 at the Doubletree Hotel at Seaworld in Orlando, Florida. This conference brings together the most knowledgeable and internationally renowned keynote presenters into one forum to provide the highest quality professional development possible in one conference.



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