

Mid-term Status Report – May 2015 to March 2016

ESC Region 7

Date of this report 4/7/2016

Due on or Before **April 15, 2016**

1. Members of Partnership
2. Please list all partnership team members (leaders in the organizations you are working with on alignment projects) by name, affiliation, title, email and phone number, or confirm that all are correctly listed on the AVATAR website by checking here. **All correctly listed.**

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1. Please identify members of your active Vertical Alignment Teams (faculty and staff who are engaged in the actual alignment work) with name, affiliation, title, e-mail address, and phone number, or confirm that all are correctly listed on the AVATAR website by checking here. **All listed on website.**

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1. 2015-16 Goals of the Partnership. Please note any modifications from the Action Plan or indicate “none.”
2. **Develop a team partnership with members of the secondary, post-secondary, and work-force members to discuss the endorsements offered by our districts and the alignment of courses and potential job market in our region.**
3. **Discussion of creating a flow chart which would include the endorsements with degrees and certificates and specific job opportunities for our**

**students.**

1. **Extend our discussion of preparing our students for post-secondary work and the job market to other stakeholders around the region.**
2. **Continued review and working on implementation of the College Prep Math Course**
3. Status of Plan of Work

Please list the objectives associated with your 2015-16 goals in the table below and state the activities that have taken place since December 31, 2015, to further each objective. State the results of each activity and any follow-up actions required to meet your objective.

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| Objectives | Activities | Results/Impact and Follow-up Anticipated |
| 1. Create a flow chart of endorsements > degrees/certificates > potential jobs | From the Bridging the Gaps Conference on February 23, 2016 the discussion began and the list of certifications began to be collected | The list is beginning and work is continued  Still gathering information |
| 2. Hold a conference in which brings school districts, higher education, workforce professionals, and businesses from around the region together for  discussion on how to best prepare our students for their future. | Bridging the Gap Conference February 23, 2016. | The Conference was a big success and received positive feedback from the workforce and school district personnel.  A debrief of the partnership team was held on March 22, 2016 and plans have begun planning for the conference for 2017. |
| 3. Team members will review the CPC/Math and make critical suggestions and critiques. The course will then be made available to districts. | Math CPC completed and posted on the Region 7 website  <http://www.esc7.net/default.aspx?name=CIAmathscience.mathscience> | The course has been completed and posted. Curriculum Directors of districts in Region 7 were informed of the course and given notice of how to access through the Region 7 website. Information was also posted in the School Leadership Newsletter and being made known to superintendents. The course will continue to be reviewed and kept up to date. |
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1. What are the major challenges or obstacles you have encountered since December, 2015, and what have you done to overcome them?

**Time is still a factor, with busy schedules and demands of testing everyone is at high stress levels. We are using google docs and email to help with communication and arrange for time schedules.**

1. What are the dates of your major upcoming events if not stated in the table above?

**We held Bridging the Gap conference in February. No other upcoming events.**