

Item & Ordering #	Company & Website	Use with Which Group(s)	Rational for Purchase	Unit Cost	Total Cost
Subscription	The Main Idea www.themainidea.net	Entire Faculty	The Main Idea is a website that provides a breadth of resources and articles for teachers to review. It will help the staff identify what books or information they feel would best assist them in the classroom.	\$29.00; Rate for 11-25 people	\$580.00
Subscription	Marshall Memo www.marshallmemo.com	Critical Friends Groups, Teacher Leaders, and Administrative Team	The content provided on this website will enable the staff to effectively scan a variety of educational practices and agendas, without monopolizing time. Initially I would use the website for CFG's.	\$300.00; Group discount for 25-30 people	\$300.00
Membership	Learning Forward www.learningforward.org	Entire Faculty	The Learning Forward is a website that offers webinars, online courses, conferences, and additional resources that would be of great benefit to our learning environment.	\$747 (3 year membership)	\$747.00
<i>Powerful Designs for Professional</i>	Learning Forward	Entire Faculty	I ordered 16 copies for the building; one for each grade	\$64.00	\$1,024.00

<p><i>Learning, 2nd Edition</i></p> <p>Product Code: B380</p>	<p>www.learningforward.org</p>		<p>level, as well as books for administrations and our upper and lower elementary Special Education teachers. The book offers example of how to improve discussion in and out of the classroom. The CD included with the book has handouts and resources that will allow for seamless implementation.</p>		
<p>E-Learning Series – <i>Collaborative Inquiry</i> (February 17th to March 7th)</p>	<p>Learning Forward www.learningforward.org</p>	<p>Critical Friends Group</p>	<p>This E-Learning Series would give the initial CFG insight into working as a collective group. Discussing inquiry – and the different ways that people acquire knowledge – would be of great benefit to staff and students.</p>	<p>\$149; Membership rate for a 3 week series</p>	<p>\$149.00</p>
<p>E-Learning Series – <i>Professional Learning and Personalization in High Achieving Schools</i> (January 13th to February 13th)</p>	<p>Learning Forward www.learningforward.org</p>	<p>Administrative Team</p>	<p>The 5 week series would be geared initially towards the front office personal. I consider this to be a good starting point for people to learn more about how a strong PLC creates high productivity.</p>	<p>\$199; Membership rate for a 5 week series</p>	<p>\$199.00</p>

Membership – Common Core 360	School Improvement Network www.schoolimprovement.com	Administrative Team, Teacher Leader for each wing (K-2,3-5,6-8)	The website offers a ton of other resources; however, I felt the CC360 would give us the most value. The membership access to the CC360 gives us lesson plans, ideas, webinars, and content that will help the staff gain rigor in the classroom learning environment.	\$140 per educator	\$560.00
Book – <i>The Framework for Teaching Evaluation Instruction, 2013 Edition</i>	The Danielson Group www.danielsongroup.org	Entire Faculty	In addition to this book from the Danielson Group, I would also include a PDF file found on the website, which deals with special education students in the classroom. As we move towards implementing Common Core, this book shows how to make it fit within our current curriculum.	\$20.00 per staff member	\$480.00
Book – <i>Teacher Teams That Get Results: 61 Strategies for Sustaining and Renewing Professional</i>	Amazon www.amazon.com	Entire Faculty	I chose this book, because it offers a large quantity of strategies to gather input across the board. Our school is already using exit ticket strategies, such as 3-2-1. The book gives additional	\$37.33 per staff member	\$448.00

<i>Learning Communities</i> [Paperback] ISBN-10: 1412926130			strategies, for each part of the PLC process.		
					TOTAL COST: \$4,477.00

TO: Dr. Nancy Colflesh

FROM: Kevin Nathan Moore

Re: Budget Plan for Year-long Plan for Teacher Learning

DATE: December 1, 2013

Doctor Colflesh,

Attached to this cover memo, you will find an attached budget. The monetary amount the resources I am proposing cost would be approximately \$4,477.00. As discussed earlier, each resource has a direct correlation to issues and concerns that I feel have created “holes” in our professional learning communities.

The books I am requesting be purchased will help my teachers found a common language, both within the classroom and with each other. One of the biggest areas that we need strengthened is communication amongst staff and administration. Part of the disconnect we have with each other can be attributed to a lack of common knowledge and practices. As we learn Common Core and additional classroom strategies together, the amount of strive and unhealthy disagreement – one that does not produce open dialogue – will decrease.

The websites, in particular Learning Forward, will lend gravitas to our first Critical Friends Group. As you can recall, the initial Critical Friends Group will be done as a volunteer effort, to ensure a positive environment and subsequent “buy-in” from the staff. Therefore, I found it vitally important to make sure that best practices and ideas were built in from the start. This way, I would maximize that amount of genuine support and enthusiasm for CFGs. As I anticipate CFGs growing in numbers across the faculty, providing the first members to participate with resources and strategies they could take back to fellow staff members ensures continuity, along with empowering teachers to be leaders.

The majority of resources I have budgeted for involves the entire faculty. This was done intentional, to ensure that the faculty is moving forward as a collective unit. When resources are only allocated to a few, others begin to feel ostracized, left out, or not particularly valued as part of the learning environment. Furthermore, the books, websites, and resources also will make sure that North Saginaw Charter Academy is on the forefront of teaching practices and strategies.