

CompetencyWorks

CompetencyWorks is an online resource to provide information and knowledge about competency education through a website, a blog filled with practitioner knowledge and policy advancements, and a wiki to make it easy to get examples of materials. CompetencyWorks provides resources for new innovators and early adopters so that they can rapidly learn about past mistakes, lessons learned, and different approaches to inform their work.

The real work to advance competency education is happening in communities and state capitols. CompetencyWorks will provide a virtual space to share best practices, contribute to thinking through tough issues, review different state policies, and learn about new resources and research.

CompetencyWorks offers a blog, wiki, and monthly emails as mechanisms for sharing knowledge. Practitioners and policymakers can read case studies, classroom techniques, insights from principals, emerging state policy and reflections by education leaders from a variety of perspectives. The wiki provides even greater depth with tools, resources and links to state policy resources.

The CompetencyWorks Issue Briefs (below) offer insights into challenging and emerging issues.

- ◉ **Necessary for Success: Building Mastery of World-Class Skills**
A State Policymakers Guide to Competency Education
- ◉ **Re-Engineering Information Technology: Design Considerations for Competency Education**
- ◉ **The Learning Edge: Supporting Student Success in a Competency-Based Learning Environment**
- ◉ **The Art and Science of Designing Competencies**

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