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- Systemwide Effectiveness
- Common Core Transition
- College and Career-Ready Standards
- Effective Instruction Supporting All Learners

Resource Guide

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For 20 years, the International Center for Leadership in Education has stood at the forefront of comprehensive school improvement. Driven by our basic mission—rigor, relevance, and relationships—our collaboration with thousands of schools and hundreds of districts has transformed the way educators deliver instruction to help improve student achievement. Our core belief is that success should not be defined by grades or tests, but rather by whether learners are equipped with the skills and knowledge needed to succeed in an ever-changing world.

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Daggett System for Effective Instruction

The Daggett System for Effective Instruction provides a coherent focus for the development and support of instructional effectiveness to improve student achievement across an entire education organization.

The following is a broad-spectrum overview of the objectives necessary to facilitate instructional effectiveness for each level of the education organization.

Organizational Leadership
- Create a culture
- Establish a shared vision
- Align organizational structures and systems to vision
- Build leadership capacity
- Align teacher/administrator selection, support, and evaluation
- Support decision making with data systems

Instructional Leadership
- Use research to establish urgency for higher expectations
- Align curriculum to standards
- Integrate literacy and math across all content areas
- Facilitate data-driven decision making to inform instruction
- Provide opportunities for focused professional collaboration and growth

Teaching
- Embrace rigorous and relevant expectations for all students
- Build strong relationships with students
- Possess depth of content knowledge and make it relevant to students
- Facilitate rigorous and relevant instruction based on how students learn
- Use assessments to guide and differentiate instruction
- Demonstrate expertise in use of instructional strategies, technology, and best practices
Daggett System for Effective Instruction Bundle

Provides new and experienced leaders at the district and building level with a deep explanation of why all segments of an organization must align to create a culture that nurtures and sustains student achievement. This bundle includes one copy of each of the titles shown.

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The Daggett System for Effective Instruction: Alignment for Student Achievement
By Dr. Willard R. Daggett
Offers a future-focused vision and coherent strategy for developing and supporting instructional effectiveness across the entire education organization to maximize the achievement of all students.

A Systemwide Approach to Embedded Literacy
Provides the necessary background and foundation for establishing embedded literacy as part of a school’s instructional core. Addressing the Common Core State Standards and the Daggett System for Effective Instruction, topics covered include steps for implementing embedded literacy, reading skills for adult life and the workplace, embedding literacy across the curriculum, winning strategies for content areas, step-by-step instructional models, and best practices in real school settings.

A Systemwide Approach to Leadership
Presents an innovative and trailblazing vision for effective school leadership. Practical step-by-step strategies, based on the Daggett System for Effective Instruction, show how to create a shared vision of common goals, empower the entire teaching community, build consistency, mine untapped leadership to affect climate, and sustain effective community engagement.

A Systemwide Approach to Rigor, Relevance, and Relationships
Offers school leaders actionable strategies to create or enhance a systemwide culture of rigor, relevance and relationships. Educators are given the necessary tools to put the Rigor/Relevance Framework into daily practice in their schools.

About Bill Daggett
Recognized worldwide for his efforts to reform educational systems, thousands of school districts have sought Daggett’s guidance for planning and implementing systemic change in preparation for educational improvement initiatives. He has collaborated with education ministries in several countries, with the Council of Chief State School Officers, the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation, the National Governors Association, and numerous national organizations. Daggett currently serves on the education advisory boards for NASA, USA Today, and Scholastic Achievement Partners. He is also the Founder and Chairman of the Successful Practices Network, a not-for-profit membership organization dedicated to enabling K-12 school leaders and teachers to share successful practices, provide tools and expertise to improve education, and to prepare students for the challenges of the 21st century.
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By Raymond J. McNulty
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**Transforming Brockton High School: High Standards, High Expectations, No Excuses**
By Susan Szachowicz
A personal narrative sharing Dr. Sue Szachowicz’s implementation of a schoolwide literacy initiative focused on adult learning. Sue details her own experience creating a restructuring committee to improve academic achievement and personalize education for all students, giving educators an insider’s perspective on leading renewal initiatives for urban schools with challenging demographics.

About Ray McNulty
A keynote speaker at the state, national, and international levels, McNulty addresses the need for school systems to help students become creative thinkers who can use their knowledge in different ways. He strongly believes schools and education systems must be proactive and reach out to help forge solutions that will help students become successful in the classroom and their lives outside of school. He is committed to helping schools and school systems embrace the process of change, raise performance standards for both students and teachers, and build solid connections between schools and their communities.

About Dr. Sue Szachowicz
Dr. Sue Szachowicz is dedicated to ensuring all students achieve college and career readiness and firmly believes the ideology: “high expectations, high standards – no excuses.” She has served students at Brockton High School, a large (4,300 student) comprehensive urban high school for her entire career and describes herself as Brockton High’s greatest cheerleader. Szachowicz continues to be committed to performance transformation at the school and in the state and has served on numerous state commissions on school improvement particularly regarding the Massachusetts assessment program.
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By Susan A. Gendron
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