

TAP Training Goes Virtual

A milestone in support to TAP schools, NIET launched the online TAP System Training Portal to connect TAP teachers and principals to the organization's wealth of training resources. The portal provides real-time access to every aspect of TAP training, from evaluation tools and professional development strategies to professionally filmed videos of exemplary classroom lessons. Perhaps most important, for the first time TAP career (or classroom) teachers have direct access to these powerful resources.

A key benefit of the portal is its ability to break down and illustrate essential components of TAP. The TAP Video Library boasts more than 100 hours of filmed lessons and other footage teachers can use to help understand—and replicate—what makes an effective lesson under the TAP Instructional Rubric. Particularly useful for mentor and master teachers is footage on effectively conducting cluster group and leadership team meetings, as well as footage of pre- and post-conferences on teacher observations.

Teachers also have instant access to the TAP Strategies Database—containing a growing number of proven strategies from TAP teachers across the country. And for those who prefer going paperless, many TAP documents, from the *TAP Implementation Manual* and *TAP Evaluation and Compensation (TEC) Guide* to the *TAP Leadership Handbook*, are only a click away.

“To accommodate the demand and increase of TAP schools across the country, I wanted to use the power of our TAP content and training and create a real-time destination of support accessible to the TAP community,” said Dr. Gary Stark, NIET president and CEO. **“We look forward to making the portal as dynamic and relevant as possible for all levels of learners.”**

“The portal is a wonderful tool to support the activities with our school services effort,” said Jason Culbertson, NIET's senior vice president of school services. **“It also supplements the training TAP leaders and teachers receive at the National TAP Conference, TAP Summer Institutes and other trainings throughout the year.”**

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Lesson Structure and Pacing Training Module.html	12/22/2010
Motivating Students Training Module.html	11/10/2010
Presenting Instructional Content Training Module.html	11/29/2010
Standards and Objectives Training Module 1.html	10/19/2010
Standards and Objectives Training Module 2.html	10/19/2010

Strategies Library
Teacher Strategies

- Standards & Objectives
- Motivating Students
- Presenting Instructional Content
- Lesson Structure & Pacing
- Activities & Materials
- Questioning
- Academic Feedback
- Grouping Students
- Grouping Students
- Thinking
- Problem Solving
- Instructional Plans
- Student Work
- Assessment
- Expectations
- Managing Student Behavior
- Environment
- Respectful Culture

STUDENT STRATEGIES

