

# MATH COLLABORATIVE

## Get to Know Us

The Math Collaborative is focused on challenging traditional views of how we work in states to prompt new thinking on policies and systems that promote mathematics as a subject for all students. Our members are devoted to breaking down the barriers in math that disproportionately affect students from underserved populations. You'll work with fellow experts and researchers in the field to identify and understand current research, tools, and frameworks that inform and reframe our thinking about math education policy and practice.

## Benefits of Our Collaborative

The Math Collaborative offers a venue for you to elevate your voice among fellow experts, and a trusted space to explore professional challenges. The Math Collaborative is explicitly focused on approaching our goals through a lens of diversity, equity and inclusion. Here are a few highlights from last year:

- Members traveled to Minnesota to observe Saint Paul Public Schools classrooms where the district is focused on using mathematics as a catalyst for change through the lens of addressing issues of access, equity, and/or social justice in classrooms. Following the observations, we took part in a conversation with Saint Paul School District educators and Mary Cathryn Ricker, Minnesota Department of Education Commissioner.
- One of our sessions focused on K-5 core content where we identified targeted areas of mathematics at each grade level where we should be directing our time and attention to support all students.
- Our Collaborative hosted guest speakers and dove into case studies focused on equity and inclusion in math education.

## Our Focus in 2020-2021

In this time of unprecedented global crisis, the Math Collaborative will provide support to state leaders in addressing the impacts of COVID-19, including mathematics learning recovery and best practices in continuous learning. We're laser focused on leveraging our members' collective expertise to support effective implementation of college and career ready math standards. You'll have the chance to work with other members and renowned researchers in the field to identify and disseminate resources designed to address longstanding inequitable practices in mathematics education. Expect to deeply explore root causes of some of the systemic issues that disproportionately affect students from underrepresented, vulnerable and at-risk communities. As a Math Collaborative member, you'll contribute to breaking down those barriers and keeping students on the path to graduation.

## Here's Where You'll Find Us

For the 2020-2021 program year, meetings will be held in-person when possible, and virtually when necessary due to safety. Any in-person meetings will also include the option to participate virtually. The Math Collaborative meeting dates and locations are not set yet but they will take place the:

- Week of September 28, 2021
- Week of January 25, 2021
- Week of May 24, 2021



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