

# Implementing Teacher Coaching to Improve Classroom Practice and Student Learning

This sustained professional development course is designed to support administrators and teacher leaders who aim to provide instructional coaching to other teachers. Through an introductory four-day, in-person workshop and ongoing coaching, teachers and school leaders will learn about different coaching techniques and how to apply them to bring about meaningful growth. This course will help school leaders provide coaching experiences to support teachers in setting goals, innovating, and improving their practice. Participants will become more closely acquainted with three coaching stances: Cognitive, Collaborative, and Consulting. Using these stances as a framework, participants will be able to develop specific coaching plans for a wide variety of teachers, from novice to veteran and from struggling to successful.

Financial support may be available; visit [www.knowlesteachers.org/knowles-academy](http://www.knowlesteachers.org/knowles-academy) to learn more. Optional graduate course credit is available; additional fees apply.



The Knowles Academy course on coaching inspired me to try coaching with a couple of teachers in my district, even though my position lacks the capacity to fully implement teacher coaching. I am also advocating for a way to increase teachers' access to coaching within our district (e.g., by training more of our teacher leaders to be coaches)."

- Zenas Lee, Biology Teacher  
Homestead High School, Cupertino, CA

**DATE:** August 10–13, 2020

**TIME:** 8:00 a.m.–4:30 p.m.

**LOCATION:** Moorestown, NJ

**PRICE:** \$500

Courses are subject to cancellation if minimum enrollment is not met or if the COVID-19 pandemic makes it unsafe to host them. Please note that refunds will be issued for cancellations requested in writing anytime prior to the start of the course.

## Course Highlights

- Understand the three different coaching stances: Cognitive, Collaborative and Consulting
- Recognize the three phases of the coaching process: Initiate, Implement, Reflect
- Identify and collect data to support reflection and progress toward goals
- Practice and gain experience as an instructional coach
- Anticipate obstacles and resistance; formulate strategies to overcome
- Develop an implementation plan for the local setting



The Knowles Academy offers state-of-the-art professional development experiences for teachers. All Academy courses are designed and facilitated by experienced teachers who understand the complexities of teaching in today's world. All courses include one semester or year of mentoring to assist teachers as they work to successfully implement what they've learned in their own classrooms. Participation in the Knowles Academy also gives teachers access to a national network of educators who share resources and ideas, and support each other to continually improve their teaching practice.

## Key Knowles Academy Features



### Teachers Supporting Teachers

Teachers learn best from other teachers. All professional development that we provide includes experienced teachers as facilitators and coaches.



### Professional Community Development

Teaching can be isolating. All of our professional development services are designed to build teacher community so that participants can continue to support each other's learning and professional growth long after the professional development experience ends.



### Long-term Support for Sustainable Change

Effective teacher professional development must be sustained and tied to classroom practice. All Knowles Academy courses include long-term support from coaches, opportunities for teachers to ground their learning in their current practice, and engage with other Knowles Academy participants over an extended period.



### Professional Expertise & Leadership

Designing and implementing effective professional development requires a diverse range of expertise and experience. All of our professional development services draw and build on the expertise developed within the Knowles community over the last 20 years.

## ABOUT KNOWLES

The Knowles Teacher Initiative supports the efforts of high school mathematics and science teachers to improve education in their classrooms and beyond. Visit [www.knowlesteachers.org](http://www.knowlesteachers.org) to learn more.

All Knowles Academy courses can be customized to meet the specific needs of schools and districts.  
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