

Oxford Area School District

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To: Proposal Committee

I am writing this letter in support of Learning-Focused. The Oxford Area School District began working with Learning-Focused in 2006. We found that using the Learning-Focused Model has strengthened our standards-based curriculum and given teachers a strong focus in planning and implementing high quality lessons. The company has been extremely accommodating in customizing training based on our needs and having a large variety of solutions to meet our priorities.

Since working with Learning-Focused we have accomplished the following: Math scores have gone from 52% to 65% proficiency; reading scores from 62% to 72% proficiency; graduation rate from 84% to 92% and attendance rate from 88% to 95%.

We have found Learning-Focused associates to be professional and knowledgeable, and they have gone above and beyond in their willingness to have teachers contact them whenever they have questions, concerns, or challenges. This has been one quality of Learning-Focused that is not often seen in companies providing professional development.

Learning-Focused has been a much needed, and welcome addition to our High School initiatives because it has provided the necessary professional development, best practices and teaching strategies for our staff.

Learning-Focused has made a difference in our High School because it has changed the way we think about teaching and learning. We have become much more student focused.

I would encourage you to strongly consider using Learning-Focused for your professional development needs and as a means of raising student achievement in your school district.

Sincerely,



Dr. Raymond A. Fischer

Superintendent of Schools