

**Dropout Prevention Center for Students with Disabilities
Monthly Report – July 2007
Project Activities**

Overall Technical Assistance Summary

	July 2007	Year to Date Unduplicated (Jan. 07 – Dec. 07)
Number of SEAs (LEAs) requesting materials/information	1 (0)	10 (12)
Number of SEAs (LEAs) represented in Teleconferences	N/A	13 (20)
Number of SEAs (LEAs) represented in NDPC-SD conference presentations	27 (90)	23 (71)
Number of SEAs (LEAs) receiving individual phone or written consultations	5 (2)	8 (6)
Number of SEAs (LEAs) receiving on-site technical assistance	1 (1)	8 (48)
Total number of instances SEAs (LEAs) received some type of technical assistance from NDPC-SD	34 (93)	51 (Total States Engaging in Some Type of TA)

States receiving some type of technical assistance from NDPC-SD this month: AL, AK, CA, CMNI, CT, FL, GA, GU, IL, KS, KY, LA, MI, MO, MT, NE, NJ, NM, NY, OH, OK, OR, PA, SC, TN, TX, VI, WI

Type of Technical Assistance States Received

- Request Information/Materials: 1
- Conference Presentation: AL, AK, CA, CMNI, CT, FL, GA, GU, IL, KS, KY, LA, MI, MO, MT, NE, NJ, NM, NY, OH, OK, OR, PA, SC, TN, TX, VI, WI
- Phone/Written Consultation: FL, GA, MD, NM, NC, VI
- On-site/ TA: GA

States engaging in some type of interaction with NDPC-SD this year (51)

AR, AZ, CA, CMNI, CO, CT, DE, DC, FL, GA, GU, HI, ID, IL, IN, IA, KS, KY, LA, MH, MD, MA, MI, MN, MO, MS, MT, NE, NJ, NV, NH, NM, NY, NC, OH, OK, OR, PA, RI, SC, SD, TN, TX, UT, VT, VI, VA, WA, WV, WI, WY

Other: Liberia, Pakistan

Total Partners and/or TA&D Centers interacted with this month (10)

CADRE, EDC, MPRRC, MSRRC, NPSO, NSTTAC, OSEP, SERRC, WESTAT, WRRRC.

Goal 1: Knowledge Development

-  NDPC-SD developed content for overview training in dropout prevention for the GA Department of Education's SPDG grant. Modules one and two were taped by Georgia Public Television to be used for awareness training for administrators, teachers, and other stakeholders not targeted for capacity building training in the 2007-08 school year.
-  Staff continued to develop content for presentations at the Westat Data Meeting, OSEP Project Directors Meeting, and OSEP Leadership meeting.
-  Staff and EDC partners continued to develop content for Fall Teleseminar and late Summer edition of Big IDEAs

Goal 2: Technical Assistance

Georgia

-  NDPC-SD staff assisted GA DOE in the production of DVD for statewide awareness training in dropout prevention. The DVD focuses on dropout prevention as a serious national concern and research on causes and factors that influence dropout and what the research tells us about prevention/intervention models.
-  NDPC-SD participated in training for middle school graduation coaches. The trainings focused on effective positive behavioral interventions and attendance strategies that help keep students with disabilities in school. Participants attended from 90 school districts.
-  Conducted planning conference with Rabun County High School principal regarding opening day in service on dropout prevention efforts to be implemented within the district in the 2007-2008 school year.

Florida

-  NDPC-SD continued to plan capacity building training to be conducted in Florida October 9-11 in conjunction with M-DCPS's positive behavioral support schools.

Maryland

-  NDPC-SD continued to plan collaborative capacity building training to be conducted in Maryland with schools in Baltimore and Cecil counties. An overview will be provided via teleconference to key staff from the districts and the MD Division of Exceptional Students on August 28, 2007.

New Mexico

-  Conducted phone planning conference with the NDPC-SD and NSTTAC regarding on site visit on September 17- 19, 2007.

North Carolina

- ✧ Conducted phone planning conference with the North Carolina Department of Public Instruction /DEC regarding technical assistance for districts included in their focused monitoring pilot this year. An on-site meeting is scheduled for August 2, 2007.

Virgin Islands

- ✧ Conducted planning conference for Center staff participation in the VIDSE Summer Transition Institute. Sessions on dropout and behavior systems in the classroom will be emphasized. Dr. Bost, Center Director will deliver the keynote presentation.

Goal 3: Collaborative Activities

- ✧ Transition Related Centers
 - NDPC-SD, NSTTAC, and NPSO Centers presented two concurrent sessions at the WESTAT data meeting to data managers and program staff from 30 states. The sessions focused on the collaborative work done amongst the three centers around data collection, analysis, and data use for program improvement. The session was also designed to explore ways in which state data managers and program staff could work collaboratively to improve the reliability, quality, and use of OSEP required data. A total of 52 participants attended the breakout sessions.
 - NDPC-SD, NSTTAC, and NPSO Centers presented a content workshop at the OSEP Project Directors Meeting. The purpose of the session was to share our conceptualization of coordinated technical assistance and explore ways in which other TA and OSEP model projects could align and support work done by the three specialty centers. Participants from XXXX states and universities attended the three hour workshop.
- ✧ NDPC-SD, NSTTAC, and NPSO Centers developed a joint plan to hold a combined capacity building forum state teams that would focus on dropout prevention, transition, and post school outcomes. The dates of the combined forum are May 7-9, 2008.

Goal 4: Dissemination

- ✧ NDPC-SD disseminated the NDPC-SD materials and publications:
 - at the OSEP Project Directors' Conference in Washington, DC.
- ✧ IDRA continued to highlight the NDPC-SD website and materials in their most recent newsletter, *Graduation for All*, sent to over 900 individuals and organizations focusing on the dropout issue.

- ✧ EDC continued to subscribe, update, and monitor subscriptions of the email list. This month, subscriptions grew from 1,008 to 1,011, an increase of three new subscribers this month.
- ✧ EDC houses several NDPC-SD publications, Web-based forms and documents on its server, with a total of 3,728 page views for the month of July. Below are some additional the Web statistics.

Management

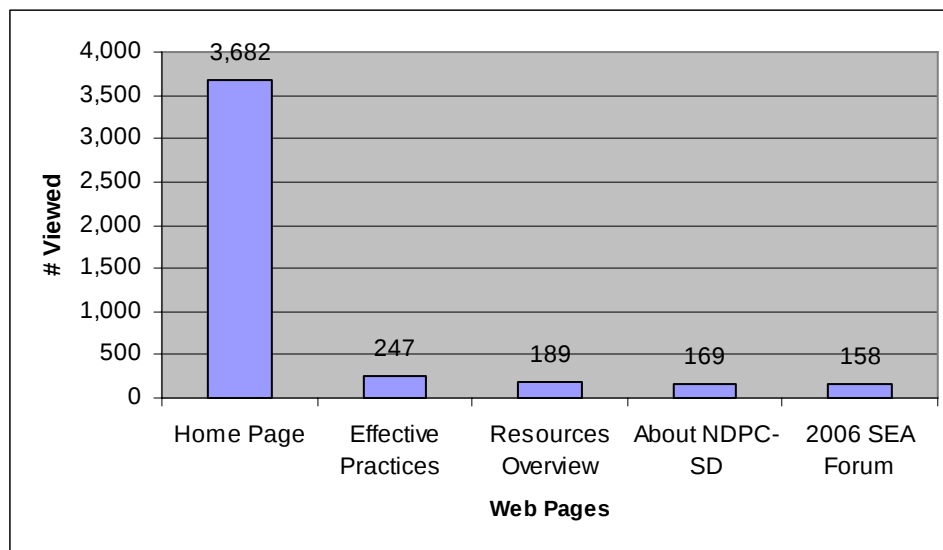
- ✧ Continue the re-design of Center website to be launched this summer.
- ✧ Conducted monthly ETE meeting on July 23, 2007.
- ✧ Conducted monthly partners' call on July 26, 2007.
- ✧ Worked with external evaluator to develop protocol for interviewing recipients of intensive TA.

NDPC-SD Web Statistics

Total Page Views (English): 7,213

Total Page Views (Spanish): 1,252

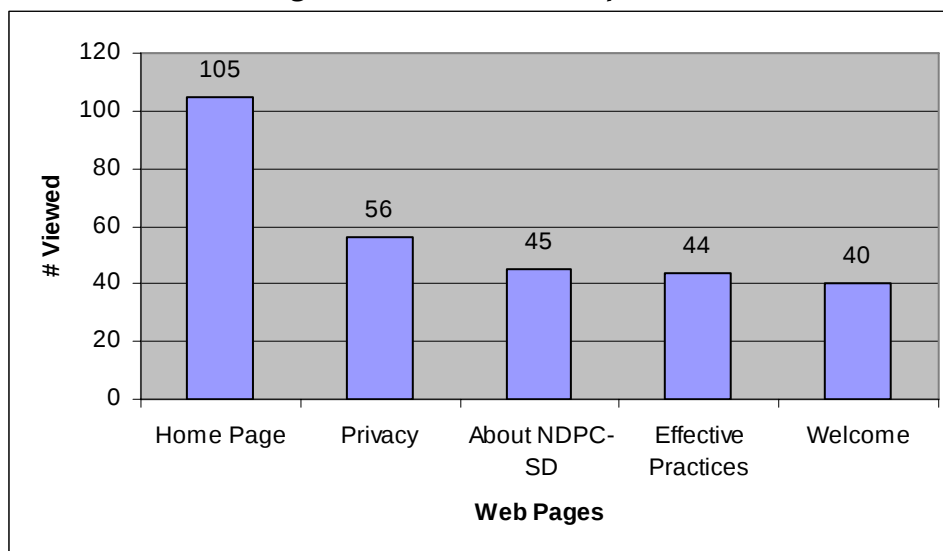
Pages Visitors Viewed (English)



Top Five Pages Viewed (English)

- ✧ NDPC-SD Home Page: 3,682 views
- ✧ Effective Practices and Strategies: 247 views
- ✧ Resources Overview: 189 views
- ✧ About NDPC-SD: 169 views
- ✧ 2006 SEA Forum: 158 views

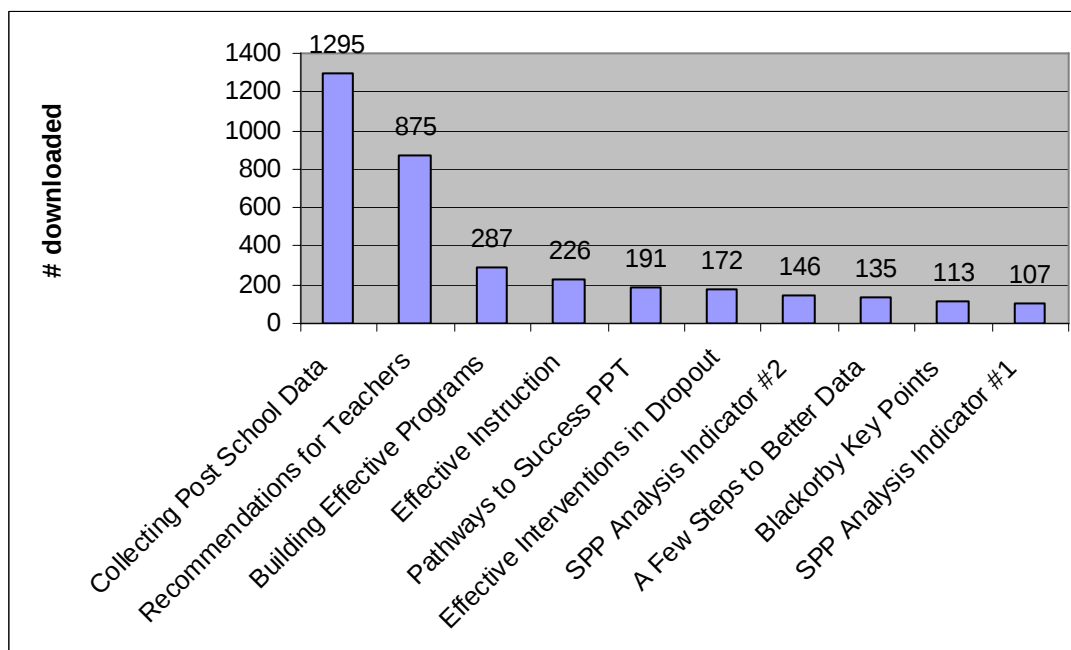
Pages Visitors Viewed (Spanish)



Top Five Pages Viewed (Spanish)

-  [Página Principal de NDPC-SD \(*espanol/index.htm*\)](#): 105 views
-  [La Privacidad \(*espanol/privacy.htm*\)](#): 56 views
-  [Sobre el NDPC-SD \(*espanol/about/index.htm*\)](#): 45 views
-  [Las Estrategias y Prácticas \(*espanol/practices/strategies.htm*\)](#): 44 views
-  [Welcome \(*espanol/index2.htm*\)](#): 40 views

NDPC-SD Website Downloads



Top 10 Downloads

- ✧✧ Collecting Post-School Outcome Data: Strategies for Increasing Response Rates (/docs/final_pso_doc.pdf). 1,295 downloads.
- ✧✧ PowerPoint presentation: "Dropout Prevention for Students with Disabilities: Recommendations for Teachers" (/assistance/docs/recommendations_for_teachers--20060920.pdf). 875 downloads.
- ✧✧ Building Effective Dropout Preventions Programs (/assistance/docs/building_effective_dropout_prevention_programs.pdf). 287 downloads.
- ✧✧ Effective Instruction: An Inconspicuous Strategy for Dropout Prevention (/docs/inconspicuousstrategy_bostriccomini20070511.pdf). 226 downloads.
- ✧✧ Pathways to Success: Making a Difference Through Scientifically Proven Instructional Practices & Professional Development (</practices/docs/ndpconf1.pdf>). 191 downloads.
- ✧✧ Effective Interventions in Dropout Prevention: A Practice Brief for Educators, Volume 1, Number 1 ([resources/docs/prctbrief.pdf](/resources/docs/prctbrief.pdf)). 172 downloads.
- ✧✧ An Analysis of State Performance Plan Data for Indicator 2 (Dropout) (/assistance/docs/indicator_2--dropout.pdf). 146 downloads.
- ✧✧ A Few Steps to Better Data (/assistance/docs/a_few_steps_to_better_data.pdf). 135 downloads.
- ✧✧ Key Points of Translating National Data into State and Local Practice ([econnections/blackorby-060216/blackorby_keypoints.pdf](/econnections/blackorby-060216/blackorby_keypoints.pdf)). 113 downloads.
- ✧✧ An Analysis of State Performance Plan Data for Indicator 1 (Graduation) (/assistance/docs/indicator_1--graduation.pdf). 107 downloads.

Upcoming Events

- ✧✧ August 2, 2007: Day-long in service with North Carolina Department of Public Instruction
- ✧✧ August 7, 2007: Opening Day Orientation at Rabun County High School in Tiger, GA
- ✧✧ August 7-10, 2007: Presentation at the OSEP Leadership Conference in Washington, DC
- ✧✧ August 20-24, 2007: Concurrent Sessions at the 5th Annual Summer Institute in St. John, Virgin Islands
- ✧✧ August 30, 2007: Site visit in Gainesville City High School in Gainesville, GA