

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

Overall Technical Assistance Summary

	December 2007	Year to Date Unduplicated (Jan. 07 – Dec. 07)
Number of SEAs (LEAs) requesting materials/information	5 (3)	10 (16)
Number of SEAs (LEAs) represented in Teleconferences	N/A	26 (32)
Number of SEAs (LEAs) represented in NDPC-SD conference presentations	NA	29 (236)
Number of SEAs (LEAs) receiving individual phone or written consultations	4 (3)	8 (12)
Number of SEAs (LEAs) receiving on-site technical assistance	2 (17)	8 (49)
Total number of instances SEAs (LEAs) received some type of technical assistance from NDPC-SD	11 (23)	51 (345) (Total States Engaging in Some Type of TA)

States receiving some type of technical assistance from NDPC-SD this month: GA, LA, MD, NM, OH, VA, WA

Type of Technical Assistance States Received

- Request Information/Materials/TA: GA, LA, OH, NM, VA
- Conference Presentation: N/A
- Phone/Written Consultation: GA, NM, MD, VA
- On-site/ TA: GA, MD, WA

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

AR, AZ, CA, 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

EDC, IDRA, NDPC-SD Advisory Committee, NPSO, NSTTAC, OSEP

Goal 1: Knowledge Development

- ✧ Continued to develop practice briefs with ETE group
- ✧ Refined training modules for on-site technical assistance in MD and GA
- ✧ Draft Development of implementation guide for Coca Cola Valued Youth planned variation. IDRA continued its pilot phase of the Coca-Cola Valued Youth Program's planned variation's design and development for students with disabilities at South San Antonio High School in South San Antonio Independent School District. One third of the tutors who have been selected are students with disabilities. IDRA is refining the program's evaluation to take into account this planned variation, and is collecting additional data. This pilot group is being evaluated and documented as a test case for CCVY outcomes for students with disabilities.

Goal 2: Technical Assistance

Georgia

- ✧ Presented booster session with Georgia's Department of Education/GLRS schools in Cleveland, GA. Strategies to improve attendance and behavior were emphasized. The schools were also afforded the opportunity to work on the plans provided strategies for data analysis. Schools will be reporting year one data in January 2008.
- ✧ Worked with DOE to finalize January trainings – topics to be covered include attendance and academic engagement strategies.

Louisiana

- ✧ Participated in planning call to finalize plans for the LA State Transition Conference the last week of February. NDPC-SD staff will provide presentations on dropout prevention strategies for practitioners and parents during the two-day conference.

Maryland

- ✧ Conducted third training session with school and district staff from Cecil and Baltimore counties. Reviewed and provided input on countywide plan as well as local high school plans for two high schools that will serve as target schools this year.

New Mexico

- ✧ Continued planning for on-site TA visit with NSTTAC during January 24-25, 2008.

Virginia

- ✧ Participated in two planning calls related to VA's State Transition Conference scheduled for the week of March 17. Reviewed and provided

input to findings from the DOE's Dropout Study conducted in October 2007.

Requests

-  Responded to request from VA DOE staff for technical assistance from NDPC-SD to develop efforts for students with disabilities. An on-site visit is scheduled during the week of **March 17**.
-  Responded to request from Ohio Department of Education to provide on-site TA associated with OSEP Transition Initiative on February 20-21, 2008.

Goal 3: Collaborative Activities

NPSO & NSTTAC

-  Participated in planning calls for 2008 combined Forum scheduled for May 7-9, 2008. Registration for the Forum will be done via the FRRC conference registration system. Registration is currently open.

Collaborative Transition

-  Participated in planning calls for regional meetings

EDC

-  Finalized arrangements for webcast with Dr. Sandra Christensen- original webcast was rescheduled due to illness of presenter. The new date is January 22, 2008. There are 220 download sites currently registered for the event.

Goal 4: Dissemination

-  Continued planning and preparation for January webinar *Engaging Students with School: The Essential Dimension of Dropout Prevention Programs* with Dr. Sandy Christiansen
-  EDC wrote an article for the next issue of *Big IDEAs* regarding NDPC-SD's participation/presentations at the Urban Special Education Leadership Collaborative Fall 2007 meeting.
-  EDC published an article in the last issue of *Urban Perspectives* regarding the post-school outcome data strategies document.
-  EDC continued coordinating the marketing for the upcoming Webseminar, which was to take place on December 11, 2007. Unfortunately, the speaker, Dr. Sandy Christensen was sick and we had to postpone the event to January 22, 2008. EDC also continued coordination of all logistics for the event this month, including registrations, rehearsals with presenters, materials development, survey questions, answering questions, providing technical support, and so forth. To date, we have over 225 registrants.

✧ EDC continued coordination of the editorial content and schedule for the next issue of Big IDEAs, which was to be disseminated in mid to late December. Due to delays, the issue will be disseminated next month. Contents will include:

- Service Learning article
- Attendance article with strategies & resources
- APR article
- Collaborative's Fall meeting synopsis
- 10/16 Teleseminar evaluation & MP4s/transcripts available online
- Upcoming Events: Spring Forum and others
- Photos from places we've been

✧ EDC began laying out the Vol 4, No 2 issue of Grandes IDEAs. The issue will be finalized and sent to NDPC-SD next month.

✧ EDC continued to subscribe, update, and monitor subscriptions of the email list. This month, subscriptions grew from 1,308 to 1,310, which is an increase of two new subscribers this month.

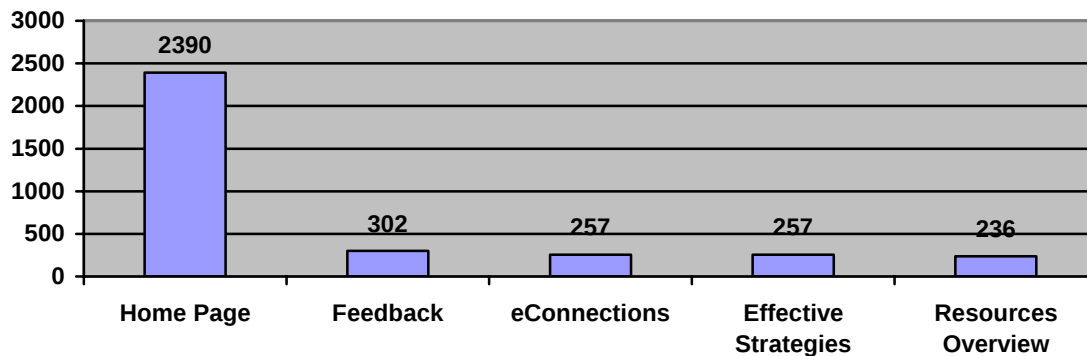
✧ EDC houses several publications, Web-based forms and documents on its server. Total page views for the month of December, 2007 is 4,112.

NDPC-SD Web Statistics December 2007

Total Page Views (English): 6,336

Total Page Views (Spanish): 1,082

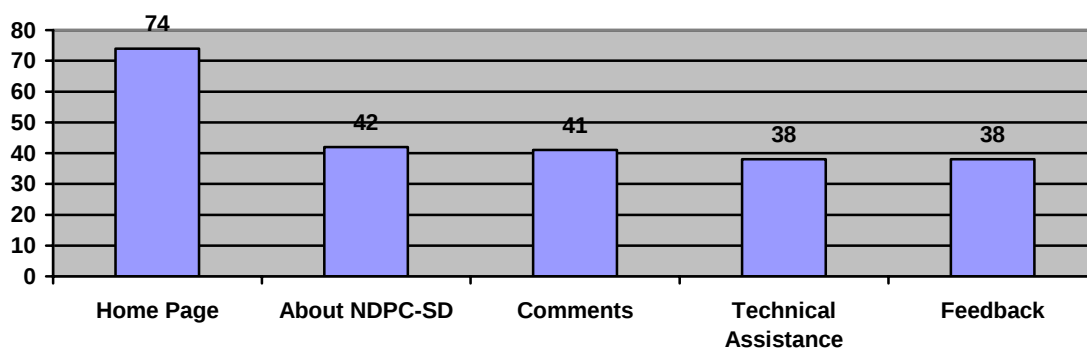
Pages Visitors Viewed (English)



Top 5 Pages Viewed (English)

-  NDPC-SD Home Page: 2,390 views
-  Comments and Feedback: 302 views
-  eConnections: 257 views
-  Effective Practices and Strategies: 257 views
-  Resources Overview: 236 views

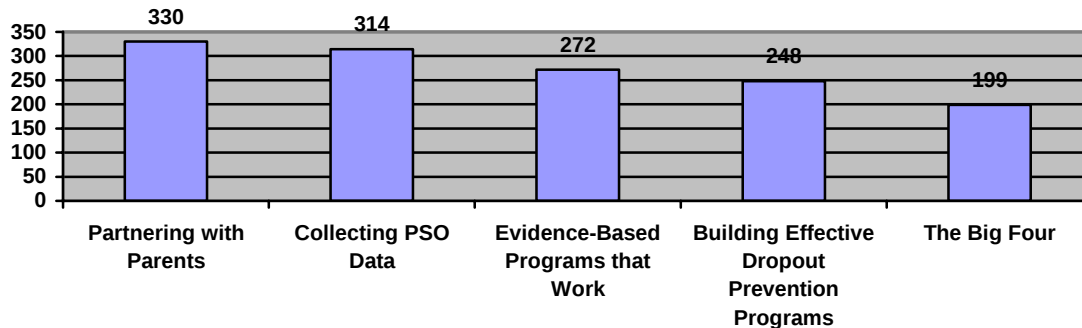
Pages Visitors Viewed (Spanish)



Top 5 Pages Viewed (Spanish)

-  Puntos Sobresalientes (Home Page): 74 views
-  Sobre el NDPC-SD (About NDPC-SD): 42 views
-  Comentarios (Comments): 41 views
-  Apoyo Tecnico (Technical Assistance): 38 views
-  Retroalimentacion (Feedback): 38 views

NDPC-SD Downloads



Top 10 Downloads:

1. Partnering with Parents in Dropout Prevention: The Need and the How (</econnections/teleseminar-061109/handout.pdf>) 330 downloads.
2. Collecting Post-School Outcome Data: Strategies for Increasing Response Rates (/docs/final_pso_doc.pdf) 314 downloads.
3. Dropout Prevention for Students with Disabilities: Evidence-based Programs that Work ([docs/oklahoma_transition_conf_ppt.pdf](/docs/oklahoma_transition_conf_ppt.pdf)). 272 downloads.
4. Building Effective Dropout Preventions Programs (/assistance/docs/building_effective_dropout_prevention_programs.pdf). 248 downloads.
5. The Big Four: A Framework for Improving Instruction That Leads to School Completion ([econnections/knight-070213/knight_materials.pdf](/econnections/knight-070213/knight_materials.pdf)) 199 downloads.
6. Engaging Students with School: The Essential Dimension of Dropout Prevention Programs (Teleseminar Information Flyer) (</econnections/christenson-071211/flyer.pdf>) 211 downloads.
7. Effective Interventions in Dropout Prevention: A Practice Brief for Educators, Volume 1, Number 1 (</resources/docs/prctbrief.pdf>). 191 downloads.
8. Bringing Research and Practice Together The Coca-Cola Valued Youth Program ([resources/docs/seaforum2006/cortez_cortez--coca-cola_valued_youth.pdf](/resources/docs/seaforum2006/cortez_cortez--coca-cola_valued_youth.pdf)) 190 downloads.
9. An Analysis of States' Annual Performance Report Data for Indicator 1 (Graduation) ([assistance/docs/2005-06+apr+analysis+of+graduation.pdf](/assistance/docs/2005-06+apr+analysis+of+graduation.pdf)) 156 downloads.

10. Effective Instruction: An Inconspicuous Strategy for Dropout Prevention
(/docs/inconspicuousstrategy_bostriccomini20070511.pdf) 132downloads.

Page View Statistics (English) for the Past 12 Months:

December 2006: 6,545
 January 2007: 6,988
 February 2007: 7,131
 March 2007: 7,266
 April 2007: 6,123
 May 2007: 7,764
 June 2007: 7,972
 July 2007: 7,215
 August 2007: 6,574
 September 2007: 5,478
 October 2007: 6,834
 November 2007: 7,118
 December 2007: 6,336

Page View Statistics (Spanish) for the Past 12 Months:

December 2006: 1,220
 January 2007: 830
 February 2007: 890
 March 2007: 1,242
 April 2007: 1,098
 May 2007: 1,025
 June 2007: 1,335
 July 2007: 1,252
 August 2007: 1,113
 September 2007: 760
 November 2007: 756
 December 2007: 1,082

Management

-  Continue the re-design of Center website to be launched in January
-  Continued to work with external evaluator to conduct annual external evaluation report.
-  Met with ETE group
-  Conducted NDPC-SD Partner call
-  Worked on revised 2008 budget

Upcoming Events

-  January 9-10 –GA SPDG Training(Bost& Riccomini)
-  January 14 – GA Parental Involvement Conference (Bost)
-  January 15-16 –GA SPDG Training(Bost& Smith)
-  January 22 – Sandy Christiansen webinar
-  January 23-25th – New Mexico TA visit