

**National Dropout Prevention Center for Students with Disabilities
Monthly Report – September 2010
Project Activities**

Overall Technical Assistance Summary

	September 2010	Year to Date Unduplicated (Jan. 10 – Dec. 10)
Number of SEAs (LEAs) requesting information/materials	4 (0)	8 (0)
Number of SEAs (LEAs) represented in Teleconferences/Webinars	N/A	23 (51)
Number of SEAs (LEAs) represented in NDPC-SD conference presentations	1 (0)	40 (9)
Number of SEAs (LEAs) receiving individual phone, electronic or written consultations	3(0)	18 (9)
Number of SEAs (LEAs) receiving on-site technical assistance	2 (8)	2 (22)
Total number of instances SEAs (LEAs) received some type of technical assistance from NDPC-SD	10 (8)	(Total States Engaging in Some Type of TA) 47

States receiving some type of technical assistance from NDPC-SD this month:

Type of Technical Assistance Provided:

- Request for Information/Materials/TA: AR, AZ, SD, NJ
- Teleconferences and Webinars : 0
- Conference Presentations: Meetings and Consultations (electronic or face-to-face): AZ,
- On-site training: GA, SD

States engaging in some type of interaction with NDPC-SD this year: AL, AR, AZ, BIE CA, CNMI, CO, CT, DC, FL, GA, GU, ID, IL, IN, KS, KY, LA, MA, MD, MI, MN, MS, MO, MT, NC, ND, NH, NJ, NM, NV, NY, OH, OK, OR, PA, RI, SC, SD, TN, TX, UT, VA, VI, WA, WI, WY

Goal 1: Knowledge Development

- ✧ NDPC-SD received additional feedback from external reviewers and is incorporating feedback suggestions into the reentry report. Specifically, for each program identified, program representatives have been contacted to identify get information about barriers, solutions/and tips for SEAs and LEAs interested in replicating reentry efforts. Contact information for each program in the report is provided, as per reviewer suggestions.

Goal 2: Technical Assistance

- ✧ NDPC-SD staff continued to collect draft responses for the FAQs document providing guidance related to indicators 1&2 (graduation and dropout). A draft of responses will be provided to OSEP during the first week of October.
- ✧ Staff are reviewing and updating training modules to be used with the next round of intensive states.

Arizona

- ✧ NDPC-SD staff gave presentations at the Arizona State Transition Conference held September 20-22, 2010. Center staff conducted three sessions on dropout prevention/school completion strategies. These included: "'At Risk' to Graduate: Transforming Pathways for Youth with Disabilities," TA Centers Website Tours, and "Data-based Decision Making for Selecting Interventions to Improve Student Outcomes." Each session was repeated, and two sessions were co-presented with NPSO and NSTTAC staff.

Arkansas

- ✧ NDPC-SD staff responded to request for Tier 2 TA from representatives of the SEA for 8 districts who did not make APR targets. Staff also inquired about submission of an RFA for consideration of intensive TA.

Florida

- ✧ NDPC-SD staff conducted a monthly call with Robin Morrison of Miami-Dade County Public Schools. The staff received updates regarding the district dropout prevention initiative, district team and activities, schools' teams, action plans, and activities. The discussions included scheduling booster sessions and site visits for the fall.

Georgia

NDPC-SD participated in the Cohort 3 kick-off training held in Forsyth, GA, September 20-21, 2010. A total of 280 attendees including sixty school teams participated in the training. The staff provided the opening keynote address and a session for administrators on their role in implementation of NDPC-SD Dropout Prevention Intervention Framework. This year the states' Collaboration Coaches conducted the breakout sessions and will provide training to implementation teams. Georgia currently has 183 LEAs implementing school completion programs in their SPDG partnership with NDPC-SD.

Missouri

NDPC-SD staff conducted a planning call with Barb Gilpin from Missouri (DESE). The staff discussed Missouri's dropout prevention initiative, MITT team and activities, and next steps, including scheduling booster sessions for the fall.

New Jersey

NDPC-SD staff responded to request for additional information from representative from NJDOE regarding training content that intensive TA would include.

New Mexico

NDPC-SD staff received a request from the Gallup School District to provide on-site assistance with data and interventions. The LEA was encouraged to route their request thru the SEA in that SEAs are our primary customers.

South Dakota

NDPC-SD staff prepared materials and conducted a two-day institute in Pierre, SD. Teams from nine schools (eight districts) attended along with the SEA Director and key TA staff from the SEA who will be conducting follow up training and coaching. The schools in attendance were: Bennett County, Chamberlin, Custer, Hot Springs, Newell, Rapid City, Shannon County, Todd County, and Wagner.

Goal 3: Collaborative Activities

NDPC-SD staff participated in a conference call with NPSO and NSTTAC about the development of a data-use tool for states. The group will involve several states (leadership and data staff) in the development of the tool.

NDPC-SD and EDC staff held discussions regarding the early winter teleseminar. The focus of the Teleseminar will be improving outcomes for African American males.

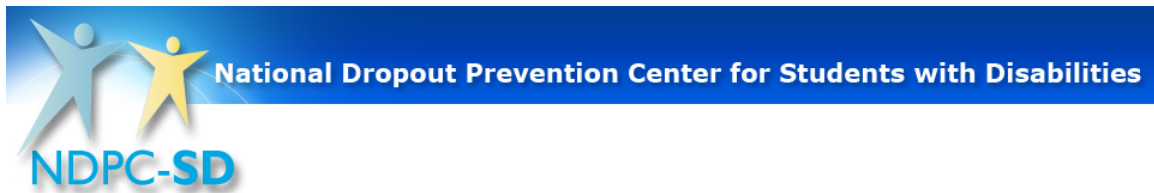
- ✧ EDC and NDPC-SD staff are preparing the next issue of Big IDEAs which will be disseminated in late October 2010. This issue will highlight “what the research tells us,” about improving outcomes for youth with or at risk for behavioral disorders followed by the next issue which will highlight how one middle school is using these practices as part of their middle school dropout prevention efforts.

Goal 4: Dissemination

- ✧ Big IDEAs subscriptions for September, 2010: 2,821 subscribers. A total of 100 subscribers since the beginning of the 2010-11 school year.
- ✧ NDPC-SD and EDC staff worked on developing a tentative schedule for update and completion of interactive training modules.
- ✧ NDPC-SD and EDC staff held discussions on the use of EDC’s Sharepoint site as a secure location for providing Tier one and Tier 2 TA and some booster sessions for Tier 3 states when needed.
- ✧ EDC staff prepared the narrative of the formal evaluations for the Webinar, “Building Positive Relationships to Prevent Drop-Out and Other Negative Outcomes,” with Dr. Tim Lewis, Professor of Special Education, University of Missouri, Co-Director, OSEP Center on Positive Behavioral Interventions and Supports, Co-Director, Center for Adolescent Research in Schools. The event was held on August 20, 2010.
- ✧ NDPC-SD staff disseminated approximately 600 pieces of information (Center Brochure, Parent Brochure, posters, practice guides etc.) to the South Dakota Department of Education.
- ✧ NDPC-SD staff distributed 30 dropout prevention posters, sets to the Arizona Department of Education.

Management

- ✧ NDPC-SD staff sent out a request for applications to all state directors of special education in order to identify states for intensive work for the remainder of the grant period. The staff also followed up on bounce-backs from these emails to ensure that all states were notified of the RFA.
- ✧ NDPC-SD staff held the regular monthly call with the OSEP project officer.



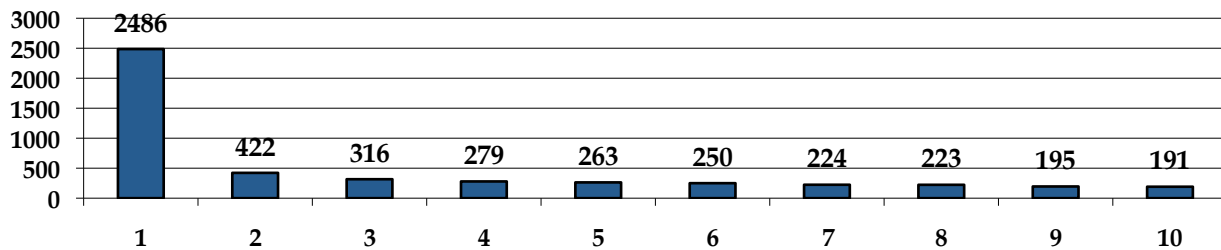
- ✧ NDPC-SD staff downloaded data from the SD Implementation Survey and Training evaluation surveys, formatted the data and posted it to the CIPP website.
- ✧ NDPC-SD staff conducted the regular call with the CIPP Center and discussed the upcoming administration of the Implementation Survey in Georgia as well as other issues around the project evaluation.

NDPC-SD Website
Monthly Statistics – September 2010

Total Page Views (English): 8,658

Total Page Views (Spanish): 1,761

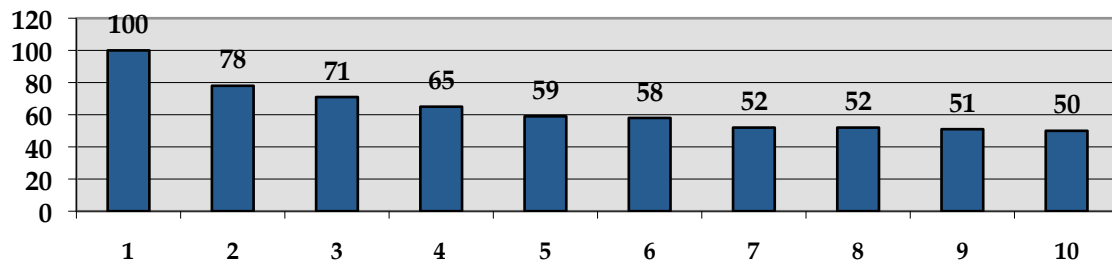
Pages Visitors Viewed (English)



Top 10 Most Viewed Pages (English)

	Title	Filename	Views
1	NDPC-SD Home Page	<i>default.php</i>	2,486
2	Dissemination Teleseminars and Web Events	<i>dissemination/teleseminars.php</i>	422
3	About NDPC-SD	<i>about/default.php</i>	316
4	Resources Overview	<i>resources/default.php</i>	279
5	Knowledge Development Overview	<i>knowledge/default.php</i>	263
6	Dissemination	<i>dissemination/default.php</i>	250
7	Conference Materials and Presentations	<i>dissemination/conferencematerialspresentations.php</i>	224
8	Technical Assistance	<i>tech_assistance/default.php</i>	184
9	Technical Assistance – Program Questionnaire	<i>/tech_assistance/recommend_program_form.php</i>	195
10	Contact NDPC-SD	<i>/contact/contactus.php</i>	191

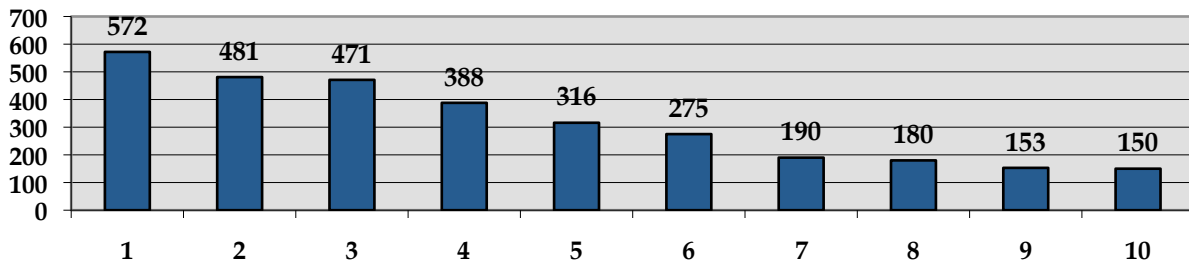
Pages Visitors Viewed (Spanish)



Top 10 Most Viewed Pages (Spanish)

	Title	Filename	Views
1	Puntos Sobresalientes	<i>espanol/index.htm</i>	100
2	Comentarios	<i>espanol/feedback/comments.htm</i>	78
3	Sobre el NDPC-SD	<i>espanol/about/index.htm</i>	71
4	Calendario de Actividades	<i>espanol/calendar/index.htm</i>	65
5	Welcome	<i>espanol/index2.htm</i>	59
6	Retroalimentación	<i>espanol/feedback/index.htm</i>	58
7	Apoyo Técnico	<i>espanol/assistance/index.htm</i>	52
8	Resumen de Recursos	<i>espanol/resources/index.htm</i>	52
9	eConnections	<i>espanol/econnections/index.htm</i>	51
10	Prácticas Efectivas	<i>espanol/practices/index.htm</i>	50

Top 10 Downloads



	Title	Filename	Down Loads
1	Whatever It Takes: How Twelve Communities Are Reconnecting Out-of-School Youth	<i>documents/research_syntheses/whatever_it_takes_report.pdf</i>	572
2	The Effects of Cognitive-Behavioral Interventions on Dropout for Youth With Disabilities	<i>documents/research_syntheses/research_synthesis_effects_of_cbi.pdf</i>	481
3	Dropout Prevention for Students with Disabilities: Addressing Dropout Related Factors at the Local Level: Recommendations for Teachers 2008	<i>documents/lea_recommendations_for_teachers.pdf</i>	471
4	IES Practice Guide 2008	<i>documents/ies_practice_guide_2008.pdf</i>	388
5	Dropout Prevention for Students with Disabilities: Addressing Dropout Related Factors at the Local Level: Recommendations for Teachers 2006	<i>documents/lea_recommendations_for_teachers--20060920.pdf</i>	316
6	Effective Interventions in Dropout Prevention: A Practice Brief	<i>documents/practice_guides/cbi_practice_brief.pdf</i>	275
7	High School Dropout and Completion Rates in the United States: 2007	<i>documents/ies2009-highschooldropoutandcompletionratesinus.pdf</i>	190
8	Addressing Dropout Related Factors at the Local Level: Recommendations for Administrators	<i>documents/lea_recommendations_for_administrators.pdf</i>	180
9	ECS Tools & Resources: High School Agenda - Who's Doing What	<i>documents/ecs/ecs-tools-resources-200805.pdf</i>	153
10	The Impact of Policies and Procedures on Dropout and School Completion	<i>documents/teleseminars/bost-071016/eventmaterials.pdf</i>	150

Total Downloads of APR/SPP Documents

Directory	file	Downloads
http://www.ndpc-sd.org/documents/Analysis_of_State_Reports/	2008_Part_B_Dropout_investigative_questions.pdf	54
http://www.ndpc-sd.org/documents/Analysis_of_State_Reports/	2008_APR_Dropout_Report.pdf	8
http://www.ndpc-sd.org/documents/Analysis_of_State_Reports/	2008_Dropout_Tools_and_Resources.pdf	37
http://www.ndpc-sd.org/documents/Analysis_of_State_Reports/	2008_APR_Graduation_Report.pdf	15
http://www.ndpc-sd.org/documents/Analysis_of_State_Reports/	2008_Graduation_Tools_and_Resources.pdf	25
http://www.ndpc-sd.org/documents/Analysis_of_State_Reports/	2008_Part_B_Graduation_investigative_questions.pdf	25

NDPC-SD / EDC Website Monthly Statistics - September 2010

EDC houses several publications, Web-based forms and documents on its server. Below are the most recent Web statistics for the month of September, 2010.

Total Page Views: 2,000

Top 5 Pages Viewed (English):

-  1,042: NDPC-SD's Effective Interventions in Dropout Prevention: A Research Synthesis - The Effect of Cognitive Behavioral Interventions on Dropout for Youth with Disabilities
-  75: *Big IDEAs: Dropout Prevention Strategies* eNewsletter: Volume 4, Issue 3
-  59: *Big IDEAs: Dropout Prevention Strategies* eNewsletter: Volume 3 Issue 1
-  51: *Big IDEAs: Dropout Prevention Strategies* eNewsletter: Volume 3, Issue 3
-  50: *Big IDEAs: Dropout Prevention Strategies* eNewsletter: Volume 2, Issue 3

Top Pages Viewed (Spanish):

-  81: Big IDEAs: Dropout Prevention Strategies eNewsletter: Volume 3, Issue 1
-  17: Big IDEAs: Dropout Prevention Strategies eNewsletter: Volume 3, Issue 2
-  16: Big IDEAs: Dropout Prevention Strategies eNewsletter: Volume 2, Issue 2
-  14: Big IDEAs: Dropout Prevention Strategies eNewsletter: Volume 2, Issue 3