



Educational Services That Transform Lives

Department of Educational Support Services
presents:

Curriculum Writing: 10 Components of an Understanding-Based Curriculum

Instructor:	International Presenter, Jay McTighe
Date:	September 30, 2010
Time:	8:30 am – 2:30 pm
Audience:	This workshop is designed for curriculum leaders, including assistant superintendents, curriculum directors, department & grade level chairpersons, staff developers, and school-based administrators and lead teachers serving on curriculum committees. It is recommended that participants attend in school and district teams. Some familiarity with <i>Understanding by Design</i> is highly recommended.
Cost:	\$150 for those districts who participate in the comprehensive curriculum development service offered by Eastern Suffolk BOCES and \$199 for non-subscribers
Location:	Sherwood Corporate Center, Holbrook
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Noted researcher, Robert Marzano, has noted that a “guaranteed and viable curriculum is the #1 school-level factor impacting student achievement.” In a recent book, *Schooling by Design* (ASCD 2007), Grant Wiggins and Jay McTighe propose that a coherent, understanding-based curriculum includes 10 key components. In this session, we will examine these components in detail and view practical examples in use. A variety of excellent, supportive websites will be examined and shared. Participants are encouraged to bring their own laptops. *Books will be available for purchase along with a free book signing by Jay!*

The following questions will be used as provocations to “uncover” the workshop’s content.

- *How does the “backward design” process of UbD apply to school and district curriculum development (not just unit design)?*
- *How does Understanding by Design inform how we “map” the curriculum?*
- *Why should content standards and accountability test scores be considered a **means** to an end (not the end in themselves)?*
- *How might we infuse 21st Century Skills through our curriculum?*
- *How can we promote greater consistency in assessment and grading through “cornerstone” assessments?*
- *How and why should we “anchor” the curriculum with exemplars?*
- *How might we maintain high standards without standardization?*
- *How and why should we add “trouble shooting” guides to our curriculum?*



Jay McTighe brings a wealth of experience developed during a rich and varied career in education. He has an extensive background in staff development and is a regular speaker at national, state, and district conferences and workshops. Jay is well known for his work with “thinking skills,” having coordinated statewide efforts to develop instructional strategies, curriculum models, and assessment procedures for improving the quality of student thinking. He also directed the development of the Instructional Framework, a multi-media database on teaching.

He is co-author, with Grant Wiggins, of the best-selling Understanding by Design series, *Understanding by Design* (1998), *The Understanding by Design Handbook* (1999), *The Understanding by Design Study Guide* (2000), and the newly-released, *The Understanding by Design Professional Development Workbook* (2004).



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