



COVID Education Innovation in Florida

Reinventing Professional Learning (Clay, Collier, Miami-Dade and Polk Counties)

Impact Florida is known for helping schools and teachers meet the growing trends in education to best serve the needs of all. With the immediacy of an abrupt pivot to digital platforms, Impact Florida released the Reinventing Professional Learning video to highlight adaptations were made to professional learning structures across Florida due to COVID-19. Many of these adaptations were planned, but there were also changes that occurred organically. The purpose of the video was to highlight the innovative and necessary changes teachers, school leaders and districts made to support their teachers and schools during the 2020-2021 school year.

Highlights from this video include interviews from a teacher, principal, professional learning specialist, and superintendent on the necessity of pertinent timely professional learning sessions that speak directly to the challenges of the new world of virtual education and the necessity to increase awareness and responsibility for inclusivity for all students. This new paradigm of offering virtual professional development also emphasized the leveraging and empowerment of teachers at all levels because in this new platform teachers were able to connect with other colleagues, not just limited in their physical building, but across the district to share concerns and solutions to specific academic challenges unique to their discipline or student population.

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Additional Information:
Reinventing Professional Learning video

The Consortium elevates the impact of Florida's local education foundations through advocacy and providing a collegial community for ongoing learning, shared resources and support. These nonprofit organizations are aligned with nearly every school district in our state and collectively they raise more than \$80 million annually to innovate learning, power potential and celebrate success.

We believe strong collaboration is essential to ensure school success. Our effort to capture, elevate and share education innovations discovered amid the disruption of the pandemic is offered in that spirit.

Our Top 10 Takeaways: COVID Education Innovation report can be accessed at educationinnovationspotlight.com