

ALLEGHENY INTERMEDIATE UNIT

2019-2020

Services Guide



About this guide

The purpose of the Allegheny Intermediate Unit (AIU) Services Guide is to present the programs and services that are offered to school entities in suburban Allegheny County and surrounding regions.

The AIU operates programs for infants, young children, students and adults. Many of the services listed are supported by district allocations to the Program of Services Budget or through a variety of federal, state and local grants. Other programs are offered as fee-based services.

Consistent with the organization's vision, the AIU is a regional partner and champion of best practices in teaching and learning. We promise to deliver cost-effective, high-quality services that are responsive to our customers' needs. The AIU is widely recognized as a leading provider for the many programs and services included in this publication. We are dedicated to working collaboratively with school entities and community partners to improve student achievement and to provide opportunities for all learners. There is something very special about our region and we are proud to work with each of you to promote successful outcomes for all learners.

Our Mission

We maximize educational opportunities for all learners by responding to the needs of our community with leading-edge, high-quality, cost-effective programs and services.

Our Vision

Educational excellence is a hallmark of our region with all learners having access to the best services, enriching their lives and enabling their contribution to a vibrant economy.

Administration

The AIU's Administration consists of the Executive Director's office and includes a variety of leadership development, legislative and communication-related services. The services within this unit are designed to support executive-level leaders and administrators.

Communication, Legislative Policy and Advocacy

The Communication Services Department and the AIU's General Counsel assist with all aspects of the planning, execution and evaluation of strategic communications campaigns using traditional and social media. The AIU's legislative team tracks local, state and federal legislative actions and reports on the items most important to the school districts within Allegheny County.

Communication Audits

Contact: Sarah McCluan, 412-394-3472 • E-mail: sarah.mccluan@aiu3.net

Cost: Call for pricing.

Invoice Frequency: Month following the completion of the audit.

In today's world, expectations regarding school communications have changed. Is your district's message reaching its target audiences? What do parents think of your district? The AIU's Communication Services department provides tailored, individualized and comprehensive reviews of your district's communication efforts to help administrators determine how to move forward.

Graphic Design Services

Contact: Michael Tarquinio, 412-394-5746 • E-mail: michael.tarquinio@aiu3.net

Cost: Call for pricing.

Invoice Frequency: Monthly

The Communication Services team can help districts design and create publications from an initial concept to a high-quality finished product. Private consultations can be arranged to discuss appropriate color choices, paper weights, fonts and graphics.

Legislative Policy and Advocacy

Contact: Joseph Shaulis, Esq., 412-394-4521 • E-mail: joseph.shaulis@aiu3.net

Cost: Call for pricing.

More than ever before, education advocates' voices are being heard. In an effort to uplift and add volume to Allegheny County educators' concerns, the AIU actively engages in strategic relationships with federal and state policymakers to share the good work of schools. The Legislative Policy and Advocacy team keeps local school leaders abreast of current developments in Harrisburg and Washington, D.C., and develops advocacy campaigns to inform legislators.

Public Relations and Marketing Services

Contact: Sarah McCluan, 412-394-3472 • E-mail: sarah.mccluan@aiu3.net

Cost: Call for pricing.

Invoice Frequency: Monthly

The Communication Services team assists with the planning, execution and evaluation of integrated communication and marketing campaigns using traditional and social media. Seasoned communication experts are available to advise district administrators on a wide variety of topics impacting today's public schools.

Communication, Legislative Policy and Advocacy *(cont'd.)*

Public Relations Role-Alike Meetings

Contact: Sarah McCluan, 412-394-3472 • E-mail: sarah.mccluan@aiu3.net
Cost: Call for pricing.

Regular role-alike meetings are held for school public relations officials and school district administrators to discuss timely communications-related issues. Guest speakers are often invited to participate. Topics, such as crisis communications, social media and parent engagement, are discussed.

Emergency Management Role-Alike Meetings

Contact: Janet Breiding, 412-394-5848 • E-mail: janet.breiding@aiu3.net
Cost: Call for pricing.

The AIU hosts emergency management services role-alike trainings for district administrators to discuss topics impacting crisis and emergency management in schools.

Leadership and Development Support Services

Leadership Seminars

Contact: Rosanne Javorsky, 412-394-5792 • E-mail: rosanne.javorsky@aiu3.net
Cost: Call for pricing.

The AIU hosts meetings with the Superintendents' Leadership Services Team, which develops and supports leadership development initiatives. The AIU co-plans and hosts an annual professional development program for superintendents on current national and regional educational topics, leadership development strategies and legislative updates.

Management Consultation

Contact: Rosanne Javorsky, 412-394-5792 • E-mail: rosanne.javorsky@aiu3.net
Cost: Call for pricing.

The AIU assists districts in identifying and coordinating resources and services to provide support in school management, planning and administration.

New and Aspiring Superintendent Support

Contact: Rosanne Javorsky, 412-394-5792 • E-mail: rosanne.javorsky@aiu3.net
Cost: Call for pricing.
Invoice Frequency: Annually

The AIU offers support to new and aspiring superintendents through the Transitioning to the Superintendency program. The program is designed to ensure superintendents are provided a seamless transition into their new roles and are given the services and supports needed to be successful.

PA Inspired Leadership Initiative

Contact: Dean Casello, 412-394-5752 • E-mail: dean.casello@aiu3.net
Cost: Call for pricing.

The Pennsylvania Inspired Leadership (PIL) Program is a statewide, standards-based continuing professional education program for school and system leaders. PIL provides Act 45 approved courses for administrators.

School Board Seminars

*Contact: Rosanne Javorsky, 412-394-5792 • E-mail: rosanne.javorsky@aiu3.net
Cost: Call for pricing.*

The AIU provides PDE-approved professional development for new and veteran school board directors addressing a range of topics and management-related issues.

Superintendent Commission

*Contact: Rosanne Javorsky, 412-394-5792 • E-mail: rosanne.javorsky@aiu3.net
Cost: Call for pricing.*

The AIU assists with scheduling superintendents and assistant superintendents for the oath of office.

Superintendents' Advisory Council

*Contact: Rosanne Javorsky, 412-394-5792 • E-mail: rosanne.javorsky@aiu3.net
Cost: Call for pricing.*

The AIU hosts monthly meetings with superintendents on current federal, state and local issues that impact school districts. The executive director provides updates from the Pennsylvania Department of Education based upon attendance at monthly meetings with the secretary of education and Pennsylvania Department of Education officials. In addition, AIU leadership and superintendents meet in teams based on specific categories designed to address regional education issues. These teams are: education and technology; early childhood, family and community engagement; finance; leadership services; legislative advocacy; special education; and career education workforce development.

SuperSite

*Contact: Rosanne Javorsky, 412-394-5792 • E-mail: rosanne.javorsky@aiu3.net
Cost: Call for pricing.*

The AIU hosts SuperSite, a web-based tool designed specifically for superintendents. It is a source of current and relevant information related to human resources, finance, legislative advocacy, emergency management and other data made available upon request.

Early Childhood, Family & Community Services (ECFCS)

ECFCS OFFERS A VARIETY OF EDUCATIONAL AND SUPPORTIVE SERVICES to children, youth, adults and families. Administrators build innovative partnerships with schools, government, businesses and communities to enhance the quality of life for all learners in the region. The collective impact of these programs helps improve the lives of more than 10,000 children and families. By utilizing one or more of our services, families are able to enrich our region.

Alternative Education Program

Community Schools East and West

Contact: Athena Petrolias, 412-394-5804 • Fax: 412-394-5835 • E-mail: athena.petrolias@aiu3.net

Cost: There is no tuition cost for students active with Allegheny County Juvenile Court or Children, Youth and Family Services.

Non-Court-Adjudicated Student Tuition Rates:

Regular Education Students: Call for pricing.

Special Education Students: Call for pricing.

Invoice Frequency: Annually - may vary as per student contract

The alternative education schools provide instruction, school counseling and advocacy for students in grades 7 to 12. All students must meet the Pennsylvania Department of Education's guidelines for Alternative Education of Disruptive Youth.

Detention Education System

Contact: Athena Petrolias, 412-394-5804 • Fax: 412-394-5835 • E-mail: athena.petrolias@aiu3.net

Cost: Call for pricing.

The Detention Education System offers students an opportunity to continue their education pending their court disposition. Shuman Detention Center and the Allegheny County Jail provide space for educational programming for students up to 21 years of age.

Focus On Attendance

Contact: Carlena Lemon, 412-918-9206 • E-mail: carlena.lemon@alleghenycounty.us

Cost: Call for pricing.

The Focus On Attendance Program is a collaborative effort of the AIU, the Allegheny County Juvenile Court, the Department of Human Services of Allegheny County and local school districts. The emphasis of the program is to address truancy referrals for students in Allegheny County Schools.

DART (Preschool Early Intervention Services)

Contact: Susan Sams, 412-394-5816 • Fax: 412-394-5967 • E-mail: susan.sams@aiu3.net

Cost: Call for pricing.

Invoice Frequency: Annually

The purpose of the DART preschool early intervention program is to discover eligible young children, ages three through five, who have developmental delays and/or disabilities. The DART program provides in-depth evaluations to identify a child's individual strengths and needs and provides appropriate early intervention services in the least restrictive environment.

Education for Children and Youth Experiencing Homelessness (ECYEH)

Contact: Nicole Anderson, 412-394-5894 • Fax: 412-394-5835 • E-mail: nicole.anderson@aiu3.net
Cost: Call for pricing.

The Education for Children and Youth Experiencing Homelessness (ECYEH) program provides technical assistance, training and support to school districts in nine southwestern Pennsylvania counties related to the McKinney-Vento Act, Subtitle B. The ECYEH staff works with families and community agencies to facilitate enrollment and to remove barriers to education for children experiencing homelessness.

Family and Community Education Services (FACES)

Allegheny County Jail Workforce Development and GED Preparation Program

Contact: Joe Tokar, 412-350-2249 • Fax: 412-350-5836 • E-mail: joseph.tokar@aiu3.net
Cost: Call for pricing.

The Allegheny County Jail GED Preparation and Workforce Development Program provides literacy and adult basic education classes for inmates within the jail facilities. The program staff offers classes in GED preparation and testing, computer literacy and basic academic skills, as well as financial literacy and pre-apprenticeship test preparation.

Early Head Start

Contact: Shannon McGee, 412-394-5880 • Fax: 412-394-5835 • E-mail: shannon.mcgee@aiu3.net
Cost: Call for pricing.

Early Head Start is a childhood development program for infants, toddlers, pregnant women and their families. AIU staff works with families to promote children's development, help pregnant women access prenatal and postpartum care, support parents' efforts to fulfill their parental roles and assist families as they move forward toward self-sufficiency. Classes and home-based services are available.

Family Literacy Classes

Contact: Clara Folino, 412-281-4494 • E-mail: adulted@aiu3.net
Cost: Call for pricing.

Classes are offered in various locations in Allegheny County to serve both parents and children (8-years old or younger). The program is designed for families to learn together through classes of adult education (basic GED prep/literacy or English as a second language) and early childhood education.

Family Support Centers

Contact: Lori Vollman, 412-394-5962 • Fax: 412-394-5835 • E-mail: lorene.vollman@aiu3.net
Cost: Call for pricing.

Family support centers are community-based programs designed to provide families with resources. Families are given opportunities and experiences that enable them to become self-sufficient and nurturing parents. The AIU operates 11 family centers at community-based sites in Carnegie, Clairton, Duquesne, East Allegheny, Highlands, Lincoln Park, McKeesport, Steel Valley, Sto-Rox, Wilkesburg and Hazelwood.

Lincoln Park After-School Program

Contact: Lori Vollman, 412-394-5962 • Fax: 412-394-5835 • E-mail: lorene.vollman@aiu3.net
Cost: Call for pricing.

The Lincoln Park After-School Program helps children, ages six to ten years-old, improve their academic achievement, social interactions, emotional development and school attendance. Children are transported to the Lincoln Park Family Center from their respective schools for sessions.

Pearson Vue Testing

Contact: Joe Tokar, 412-350-2249 • Fax: 412-350-5836 • E-mail: joseph.tokar@aiu3.net

Website: <http://www.pearsonvue.com/test-taker.asp>

Cost: Call for pricing.

The AIU is an official Pearson Vue testing center and offers the GED test and more than 125 different exams at an easy-to-access location at the AIU's Central Office in Homestead. Some of the certifications include: PA Department of Education certification exams, PA Notary Public exam, information technology (Comp TIA, Cisco Systems, Oracle, Microsoft, etc.), legal services, real estate and appraisers, construction trades (NEAT) UST and inspectors (NACE), employment, human resources, management and safety, and many more.

Project ELECT

Contact: Lori Vollman, 412-394-5962 • Fax: 412-394-5835 • E-mail: lorene.vollman@aiu3.net

Cost: Call for pricing.

Education Leading to Employment and Career Training (ELECT), also known as Project ELECT, works to assist pregnant and parenting teens continue their education and access support services. To be eligible, a teen must be pregnant or parenting, in high school or working toward their GED and not more than 21-years-old. Services provided through Project ELECT include: parenting information, teen parent groups and case management.

Responsible Fatherhood Program

Contact: Larry Klinger, 412-394-5955 • Fax: 412-394-5835 • E-mail: larry.klinger@aiu3.net

Cost: Call for pricing.

The Responsible Fatherhood Program is designed to help fathers overcome parental and employment challenges. By providing the fathers with different opportunities and experiences, the program equips them with the skills needed to become more self-sufficient and nurturing. The program focuses on: economic self-sufficiency, healthy development of children and effective parenting.

Workforce Development Program and GED Preparation

Contact: Joe Tokar, 412-350-2249 • Fax: 412-350-2235 • E-mail: joseph.tokar@aiu3.net

Cost: Call for pricing.

The AIU's GED Preparation and Workforce Development Program is designed to assist learners who wish to brush up on basic skills needed for new employment. The AIU's GED Program can also prepare adults to pass the GED test.

Head Start

Contact: Chris Rodgick, 412-394-5798 • Fax: 412-394-5967 • E-mail: chris.rodgick@aiu3.net

Cost: Call for pricing.

Head Start is a high-quality preschool program that is funded through federal and state funds and is offered at no cost to eligible participants. The goal of Head Start is to improve school readiness outcomes through a comprehensive services model for low-income families typically at 100 percent of the federal poverty level. Classroom and in-home service models are available throughout Allegheny County and generally operate on a school year calendar.

Pre-K Counts

Contact: Amy Slenska, 412-394-5868 • Fax: 412-394-5967 • E-mail: amy.slenska@aiu3.net

Cost: Call for pricing.

Pre-K Counts is a high-quality preschool program that is funded through state funds and is offered at no cost to eligible participants. The goal of Pre-K Counts is to improve school readiness outcomes for children who are between 100 percent and 300 percent of the federal poverty level. Classroom models are available in many communities throughout Allegheny County and generally operate on a school year calendar.

Finance and Business Operations

The AIU's Finance and Business Operations Division provides services to school districts and budget control for internal programs. The division processes payroll, accounts payable, benefits, investments, insurance and financial reports, and provides other services.

Act 1 Mailing Coordination

Contact: Kim Enz, 412-394-5784 • Fax: 412-394-5706 • E-mail: kimberly.enz@aiu3.net

Cost: Call for pricing.

Invoice Frequency: Annually, once service has been completed

The Taxpayer Relief Act, known as Act 1, was passed in 2006 to provide property tax relief to qualifying resident homeowners. All school districts must participate and the AIU coordinates the mailing to thousands of homes in Allegheny County.

Business Administrator Role-Alike Meetings

Contact: Joseph Lucarelli, 412-394-5813 • Fax: 412-394-5706 • E-mail: joseph.lucarelli@aiu3.net

Cost: Call for pricing.

The AIU conducts quarterly role-alike meetings for Allegheny County school district business administrators. The free sessions give school business leaders the opportunity to come together and discuss topics that impact district operations. The AIU's staff give timely updates on local, state and federal issues that affect budgets and offers information that saves time and money.

Data Collection and Reporting System for Special Education

Contact: Jane Gimigliano, 412-394-7392 • Fax: 412-394-5899 • E-mail: jane.gimigliano@aiu3.net

Cost: Call for pricing.

The AIU is designated by the Pennsylvania Department of Education to collect the special education data needed to meet state and federal reporting requirements. The aggregated data of the region is used to generate 32 reports required by the Pennsylvania Department of Education. This service is not only free to school districts, but also saves administrators time and effort.

IDEA Sub-Recipient Monitoring

Contact: Richard Marusic, 412-394-5718 • Fax: 412-394-1349 • E-mail: richard.marusic@aiu3.net

Cost: Call for pricing.

The AIU is the Local Education Agency (LEA) for IDEA Part B, Section 611 Funds. The purpose of the program is to pass through IDEA funds to districts for their school-based special education programs. As the pass-through entity for federal IDEA funds, the AIU is required to monitor the activities of sub-recipients to ensure that federal awards are used for authorized purposes in compliance with laws, regulations and the provisions of contracts or grant agreements; in addition, monitoring is also required to ensure that performance goals are achieved. This service is free of charge to school districts and ensures that funds are properly transferred and received.

Joint Purchasing Program

Contact: Kim Enz, 412-394-5784 • Fax: 412-394-5706 • E-mail: kimberly.enz@aiu3.net

Cost: Call for pricing.

The Joint Purchasing Program facilitates the purchase of energy and paper products at the lowest price. The program assists participants by preparing specifications, advertising, analyzing bids, conducting bid openings, evaluating samples, recommending bid awards and notifying bidders. Every year, the Joint Purchasing Program saves school districts millions of dollars in the purchase of electricity, natural gas and diesel fuel. Membership is free of charge.

School-Based ACCESS Program

Contact: Kara Bonaroti, 412-394-4527 • Fax: 412-394-5835 • E-mail: kara.bonaroti@aiu3.net

Cost: Call for pricing.

Invoice Frequency: Annually

The School-Based ACCESS Program allows school districts to earn partial reimbursement for health-related services provided to students who are eligible for medical assistance. The AIU's business staff assists school districts complete the reimbursement process by ensuring compliance and the proper submission of claim documentation. Although there are many variables that determine reimbursement, districts may be able to realize significant savings.

Special Education Transportation Services

Contact: Anthony Nuccetelli, 412-394-5791 • Fax: 412-394-1349 • E-mail: anthony.nuccetelli@aiu3.net

Cost: Call for pricing.

Invoice Frequency: None

The AIU can facilitate transportation services for children with special needs. The AIU contracts with school bus transportation companies to provide the service. Funding comes directly from a district's state subsidy. No invoicing occurs.

Human Resources and Labor Relations

People have always been at the heart of our organization. Recognizing the importance of collaborative, creative and visionary leaders, the AIU's Human Resources and Labor Relations Division is at the forefront of developing and implementing specialized administrative services that support school districts throughout the region and state.

District-Based Human Resource Services

Contact: Erin Koebel, 412-394-5957 • Fax: 412-394-5704 • E-mail: erin.koebel@aiu3.net

Cost: Call for pricing.

Invoice Frequency: Annually, once the service has been completed.

The AIU has a comprehensive group of experts within the human resources field that can support any school district with complex human resources functions. The services are customizable and scalable to fit the needs of any school district. In addition, the services can be offered on an annual, quarterly or weekly basis.

Group Term Life Insurance Consortium

Contact: Janet Breiding, 412-394-5848 • Fax: 412-394-5704 • E-mail: janet.breiding@aiu3.net

Cost: Call for pricing – Membership in the consortium is free, although each school district pays its insurance premiums.

The Group Term Life Insurance Consortium enables members to achieve the benefits of group purchasing of term life insurance. Membership is available to all Allegheny County public school districts and career and technical schools.

HR Director Role-Alike Meetings

Contact: Erin Koebel, 412-394-5957 • Fax: 412-394-5704 • E-mail: erin.koebel@aiu3.net

Cost: Call for pricing.

The AIU holds quarterly human resource director role-alike trainings for district administrators. Information on relevant topics impacting human resources in schools is presented and discussed.

Human Resource Audits

Contact: Erin Koebel, 412-394-5957 • Fax: 412-394-5704 • E-mail: erin.koebel@aiu3.net

Cost: Call for pricing.

Invoice Frequency: Annually, once the service has been completed.

The AIU's HR Audit Committee uses a list of mandated regulations and best practices to audit the practices and procedures of school district human resources departments. At the end of the audit we provide a roadmap to compliance with actionable steps and best practice recommendations.

Job Description Review and Development

Contact: Erin Koebel, 412-394-5957 • Fax: 412-394-5704 • E-mail: erin.koebel@aiu3.net

Cost: Call for pricing.

Invoice Frequency: Annually, once the service has been completed.

Job descriptions need to be written and framed to ensure position requirements accurately articulate what is expected of a job seeker or incumbent, yet comply with employment laws. Our job description committee will analyze and review your organization's current job descriptions and generate an action plan to address any identified issues. Job descriptions will be revised where needed and reviewed by the committee for consistency and accuracy.

McGrath Training for Supervisors

Contact: Janet Breiding, 412-394-5848 • Fax: 412-394-5704 • E-mail: janet.breiding@aiu3.net

Cost: Call for pricing.

Invoice Frequency: Annually, once the service has been completed.

The McGrath Succeed Leadership program provides leaders with both practical tools and transformational approaches that allow them to communicate and lead others to excellence. This training is targeted toward superintendents, human resources administrators, principals and other administrators involved in staff supervision.

PA-Educator.net

Contact: Erin Koebel, 412-394-5957 • Fax: 412-394-5704 • E-mail: erin.koebel@aiu3.net

Cost: Call for pricing.

Website: www.paeducator.net

Invoice Frequency: Annually

PA-Educator.net is an online clearinghouse for teachers and administrators interested in working in Pennsylvania. This service is free to applicants and simplifies the application process for participating school districts and other educational entities. Our applicant profiles contain all documents required to be hired within a public school entity in Pennsylvania. PA-Educator.net simplifies the recruiting and hiring process, allowing employers to not only post positions, but also conduct focused searches.

Superintendent Searches

Contact: Erin Koebel, 412-394-5957 • Fax: 412-394-5704 • E-mail: erin.koebel@aiu3.net

Cost: Call for pricing.

Invoice Frequency: Annually, once the service has been completed.

The AIU's Human Resources and Labor Relations Division recognizes the importance of selecting dynamic school leaders who can successfully lead organizations in an ever-changing society. Our approach to a superintendent search process combines experience and industry expertise with a robust search methodology that is tailored to meet your unique needs. The steps to success will be guided by the needs of the school district and include: setting timelines, obtaining key stakeholder feedback, refining the job description, advertising, interview facilitation and finally, thorough background checks. The AIU's Human Resources and Labor Relations Division will also facilitate the offer and hiring of the selected candidate.

Information Technology

The AIU's Information Technology Division incorporates leading-edge, cost-effective IT solutions in classrooms and school districts throughout Allegheny County.

District Technology Coordinators Role-Alike Meetings

Contact: Jon Amelio, 412-394-5710 • E-mail: jon.amelio@aiu3.net • Twitter: @AIUCTO
Cost: Call for pricing.

The AIU holds monthly technology coordinator role-alike meetings that are designed to provide updates, best practices and a forum for discussion for both new and experienced school district technology administrators. A variety of topics are discussed including online learning, educational technologies, county-wide service networks and other technology initiatives.

High-Speed Copying and Duplication

Contact: Valarie Becker, 412-394-5833 • E-mail: valarie.becker@aiu3.net
Cost: Call for pricing.
Invoice Frequency: Monthly

The AIU's Production Center offers affordable, high-speed duplication of your print-ready documents such as student/parent handbooks, flyers, brochures, newsletters, handouts, NCR forms, etc. Whether you need black- and-white prints or eye-catching full-color brochures, we can handle the job. We have a variety of paper in stock and finishing services include cutting, folding, padding, stapling, saddle stitching, GBC binding and hot-glue tape binding. Call for a free estimate.

Regional Wide Area Network (RWAN)

Contact: Jon Amelio, 412-394-5710 • E-mail: jon.amelio@aiu3.net • Twitter: @AIUCTO
Cost: Call for pricing.
Invoice Frequency: Monthly

The Regional Wide Area Network (RWAN) is a hub-and-spoke fiber optic educational network comprised of 41 school districts, two CTCs and the AIU. Members choose between a 1 Gbps or 10 Gbps connection and upstream Internet connectivity based on need at a deep discount. The RWAN provides access to the state's K-12 network (PAIUNET). In addition, students and teachers can connect to the Pittsburgh Supercomputing Center's backbone to Internet 2 for peering/caching of routes to major content providers including Microsoft, Google and others. The RWAN is governed by an elected set of IT leaders from a cross-section of districts. Costs to maintain the RWAN are equally shared by the consortium membership and partially subsidized by E-rate. This is one of the best and most economical consortium-based K-12 regional networks operating in the country. The rates outlined above are base pricing and do not reflect district-specific E-rate discounts.

Technology Assessments and Managed Services

Contact: Jon Amelio, 412-394-5710 • E-mail: jon.amelio@aiu3.net • Twitter: @AIUCTO
Cost: Call for pricing.
Invoice Frequency: Monthly

Technology is the backbone at every organization and school district. To help school districts operate in the most cost-efficient manner possible, the AIU's Information Technology staff provides a variety of services including infrastructure assessments and managed services. The division's services include virtual IT director, network administrator, help desk, technical support, PIMS administrator and E-rate support. These services allow school districts to augment their staffing so that educational dollars can be stretched.

Special Education and Pupil Services

The AIU Special Education and Pupil Services Division's provides a wide array of specialized programs and services that are individually tailored to meet a child's needs. Programs and services are available to the 42 suburban school districts, 11 charter schools and non-public schools within Allegheny County. The division is also available to support students who are not part of the Allegheny County catchment area as requested.

Administrative Support

Extended School Year

Contact: Brian Welles, 412-394-5732 • Fax: 412-394-5783 • E-mail: brian.welles@aiu3.net

Cost: Call for pricing.

Invoice Frequency: Annually, once the service has been completed.

The AIU's Special Education and Pupil Services Division provides and coordinates Extended School Year (ESY) programs in the three schools for exceptional children — Pathfinder, Sunrise and Mon Valley schools. The division also provides speech/language, OT/PT, hearing, vision and educational interpreting services for the Allegheny County districts, charter schools, non-public schools and those outside of the Allegheny County catchment area when requested.

Local Task Force

Contact: James Palmiero, 412-394-5956 • Fax: 412-394-5706 • E-mail: james.palmiero@aiu3.net

Brian Welles, 412-394-5732 • Fax: 412-394-5783 • E-mail: brian.welles@aiu3.net

Cost: Call for pricing

The Local Task Force is an advocacy group mandated by the PARC Consent Agreement (1972). The group partners with parents and educators to facilitate free and appropriate education for children of all abilities. The Local Task Force meets on the first Wednesday of each month, excluding July, at 7:00 p.m. at the AIU's Central Office.

New Special Education Director Meetings

Contact: Brian Welles, 412-394-5732 • Fax: 412-394-5783 • E-mail: brian.welles@aiu3.net

Cost: Call for pricing.

The AIU holds meetings for new special education directors. These mentoring meetings have targeted special education topics and more in-depth information and discussions for new directors.

Special Education Liaison and Pupil Services Role-Alike Meetings

Contact: James Palmiero, 412-394-5956 • Fax: 412-394-5706 • E-mail: james.palmiero@aiu3.net

Cost: Call for pricing

The AIU holds regular special education liaison and pupil services role-alike meetings for district administrators. Information on relevant topics impacting special education is presented and discussed.

Supervisor Services

Contact: James Palmiero, 412-394-5956 • Fax: 412-394-5706 • E-mail: james.palmiero@aiu3.net

Cost: Call for pricing.

Invoice Frequency: Annually, once the service has been completed.

The AIU's supervisor services include supervision of experienced, certificated and highly-qualified professional staff (including teachers and clinicians) and experienced paraprofessional staff.

Transition Consultants

Contact: James Palmiero, 412-394-5956 • Fax: 412-394-5706 • E-mail: james.palmiero@aiu3.net

Cost: Call for pricing.

Invoice Frequency: Annually, once the service has been completed.

Travel Services

Contact: Brian Welles, 412-394-5732 • Fax: 412-394-5783 • E-mail: brian.welles@aiu3.net
Glenn Michael Beigay, 412-394-5743 • Fax: 412-394-5783 • Email: glenn.beigay@aiu3.net
Cost: Call for pricing.
Invoice Frequency: Monthly

Travel instruction is individualized instruction that teaches students with disabilities (other than blindness or visual impairment) the skills necessary to travel safely and efficiently within their home, school, place of employment and community.

Blind/Visually Impaired Support Program

Contact: Jeanine Esch, 412-394-4538 • Fax: 412-394-5783 • E-mail: jeanine.esch@aiu3.net
Cost: Call for pricing.
Invoice Frequency: In accordance with Section 6 of the AIU Services Agreement

The Blind/Visually Impaired Support Program (BVISP) provides specially designed instruction to students whose visual impairment adversely affects their educational performance. Teachers of the visually impaired provide instruction in the Expanded Core Curriculum, including orientation and mobility, social interaction skills, independent living skills, recreation and leisure skills, career education, use of assistive technology, sensory efficiency skills and self-determination.

Deaf/Hard of Hearing

Audiology

Contact: Jeanine Esch, 412-394-4538 • Fax: 412-394-5783 • E-mail: jeanine.esch@aiu3.net
Jennifer Purring, 412-394-4630 • Fax: 412-394-5783 • E-mail: jennifer.purring@aiu3.net
Cost: Districts in Allegheny County or receiving services in Allegheny County – These services are funded by Component III of the IDEIA budget. Districts out of Allegheny County and receiving services out of Allegheny County – call for pricing.
Invoice Frequency: Monthly

Licensed educational audiologists provide consultation and recommendations for educational accommodations to maximize auditory access for students in the classroom. These professionals provide educationally relevant assessments of student auditory functioning, hearing and listening levels. In addition, they evaluate, fit and monitor school-provided individual assistive listening technology as prescribed by Pennsylvania State Licensure in Audiology.

Communication Access Services for Students with Hearing Loss

Contact: Jennifer Purring, 412-394-4630 • Fax: 412-394-5706 • E-mail: jennifer.purring@aiu3.net
Cost: Call for pricing. Interpreters – Call for pricing.
Districts out of Allegheny County and receiving services outside the county call for pricing.
Interpreters – call for pricing. Invoicing will be based on full-time equivalent staff allocation.
Invoice Frequency: Monthly

The AIU's Communication Access Services for students who are deaf or hard of hearing are available to school districts in Allegheny County. These services include educational sign language interpreters, communication support specialists, oral transliterators, captionists and notetakers. Qualified service providers offer access to the educational curriculum and environment unique to the student's primary mode of communication (sign language, speechreading or print). State-registered interpreters are also available on an hourly basis for adults who are deaf or hard of hearing so that they can participate in district meetings and events in compliance with ADA regulations and Pennsylvania Act 57.

Deaf/Hard of Hearing Support Program

Contact: Jeanine Esch, 412-394-4538 • Fax: 412-394-5783 • E-mail: jeanine.esch@aiu3.net
Jennifer Pirring, 412-394-4630 • Fax: 412-394-5783 • E-mail: jennifer.pirring@aiu3.net
Cost: Call for day and hourly rates for services provided to students who are not enrolled in the Deaf/Hard of Hearing Support Program.
Invoice Frequency: In accordance with Section 6 of the AIU Services Agreement

The Deaf/Hard of Hearing Support Program provides specially designed instruction to students who exhibit a mild to profound hearing loss that interferes with the development of language and communication and impacts their ability to achieve educational potential. Certified teachers of the deaf/hard of hearing provide instruction and support for students in developing auditory, language, speech reading, literacy and self-advocacy skills as well as academic support in an inclusive educational program. The goal of this program is to effectively educate students with hearing loss, to the greatest extent possible, in regular education environments.

Occupational Therapy/Physical Therapy (OT/PT) Services

Adapted Recreational Educational Consultant

Contact: Holly McElhinny, 412-394-5503 • Fax: 412-394-4978 • E-mail: holly.mcelhinny@aiu3.net
Cost: Call for pricing.
Invoice Frequency: Monthly

The AIU offers the services of an adapted recreational educational consultant, who can assist in coordinating, overseeing and/or maintaining an adapted physical educational program. We also offer the APEAS testing for students enrolled in Adapted Physical Education classes.

Occupational Therapy

Contact: Holly McElhinny, 412-394-5503 • Fax: 412-394-4978 • E-mail: holly.mcelhinny@aiu3.net
Cost: Call for pricing. Invoicing will be based on actual recorded direct and indirect services rendered.
Invoice Frequency: Monthly

Occupational therapists and assistants are part of the educational team within the school setting. Therapists work with students to develop their fine-motor, visual-motor and sensory processing skills through direct intervention and collaboration with school personnel, and by recommending strategies and modifications within the school environment.

Physical Therapy

Contact: Holly McElhinny, 412-394-5503 • Fax: 412-394-4978 • E-mail: holly.mcelhinny@aiu3.net
Cost: Call for pricing. Invoicing will be based on actual recorded direct and indirect services rendered.
Invoice Frequency: Monthly

Physical therapists and assistants are part of the educational team within the school setting. Therapists work with students to develop their gross-motor skills, mobility and physical accessibility through direct intervention and collaboration with school personnel. Physical therapists also recommend strategies and modifications within the school environment.

Supervision and Consultation

Contact: Holly McElhinny, 412-394-5503 • Fax: 412-394-4978 • E-mail: holly.mcelhinny@aiu3.net
Mary Grassi, 412-394-5479 • Fax: 412-394-4978 • E-mail: mary.grassi@aiu3.net
Cost: Free for districts using AIU OT/PT Services. Others call for pricing.
Invoice Frequency: Monthly

The AIU's director and supervisor of occupational and physical therapy services provide support and oversight of AIU therapists delivering these related services within the school setting. Additional services include expert consultation, administrative support, assessments and recommendations regarding potential legal issues.

Pupil Services

Bullying Prevention Program

Contact: Brian Welles, 412-394-5732 • Fax: 412-394-5783 • E-mail: brian.welles@aiu3.net

Cost: Call for pricing – two trainers recommended.

Invoice Frequency: Monthly

The AIU is available to train district staff in the Olweus Bullying Prevention Program, which is a research-based, comprehensive approach to address bullying behavior. The program is focused on long-term change that creates a safe and positive school climate. It is designed and evaluated for use in elementary, middle, junior high and high schools.

Professional Development Services – BrainSTEPS

Contact: Jamie Moder, 412-394-5822 • Fax: 412-394-4978 • E-mail: jamie.moder@aiu3.net

Cost: Call for pricing.

BrainSTEPS consultation provides training and technical assistance in the area of brain injury to the AIU's member school districts.

Psychological Services

Contact: Brian Welles, 412-394-5732 • Fax: 412-394-5783 • E-mail: brian.welles@aiu3.net

Cost: Call for pricing.

Invoice Frequency: Monthly

Pennsylvania certified school psychologists provide psychological assessments and evaluations related to ability, achievement and emotional status for students ages 3 to 21 years old. Psychologists also provide functional behavioral assessments, counseling services and crisis intervention.

Social Work Services

Contact: Brian Welles, 412-394-5732 • Fax: 412-394-5783 • E-mail: brian.welles@aiu3.net

Cost: Call for pricing.

Invoice Frequency: Monthly

Pennsylvania licensed social workers act as a link among school, home and community resources. In addition, social workers specialize in educational group work with students on topics such as grief, social skills, anger management and problem solving.

Suicide Prevention Training

Contact: Brian Welles, 412-394-5732 • Fax: 412-394-5783 • E-mail: brian.welles@aiu3.net

Cost: Call for pricing – two trainers recommended.

Invoice Frequency: Monthly, once the service has been completed.

The AIU's suicide prevention training is designed to help reduce suicide risks in students and increase their help-seeking behaviors. The training educates students in grades 6 to 12 in recognizing the signs and symptoms of depression and other higher-risk mental illnesses. It equips school faculty to better identify at-risk teens and support help-seeking solutions. The training utilizes the American Foundation for Suicide Prevention's *More Than Sad* model.

Special Education Schools and Support Programs

For those students whose educational needs are more complex, the AIU offers three schools for exceptional children. Our schools are dedicated to providing a safe and secure, yet challenging environment that facilitates the development of critical skills and the academic, social, behavioral, emotional and vocational development that supports successful school to adult life transitions.

Contact: James Palmiero, 412-394-5956 • Fax: 412-394-5706 • E-mail: james.palmiero@aiu3.net
 Invoice Frequency: In accordance with Section 6 of the AIU Services Agreement

Mon Valley School

Contact:
 Richard Dowell, 412-469-2551
 Fax: 412-469-0242
 E-mail: richard.dowell@aiu3.net

The Pathfinder School

Contact:
 Nick Fratto, 412-833-2777
 Fax: 412-833-4060
 E-mail: nick.fratto@aiu3.net

Sunrise School

Contact:
 Lucy McDonough, 724-325-1132
 Fax: 412-833-4060
 E-mail: lucy.mcdonough@aiu3.net

2019-2020 SPECIAL EDUCATION SCHOOL SERVICES PRICING		
Mon Valley School	Annual	Per Day Equivalent
Autistic Support (Tuition)	<i>Call for pricing.</i>	
Emotional Support (Tuition)		
Life Skills Support (Tuition)		
Physical Support (Tuition)		
Personal Care Assistant		
Vocational Program		
Pathfinder School	Annual	Per Day Equivalent
Autistic Support (Tuition)	<i>Call for pricing.</i>	
Multi-Disabilities Support (Tuition)		
Life Skills Support (Tuition)		
PRIDE Program (Tuition)		
Personal Care Assistant		
Vocational Program		
Sunrise School	Annual	Per Day Equivalent
Autistic Support (Tuition)	<i>Call for pricing.</i>	
Learning Support (Tuition)		
Multi-Disabilities Support (Tuition)		
Life Skills Support (Tuition)		
Personal Care Assistant		
Vocational Program		

Districts will be charged full classroom tuition for students enrolled in the AIU school-based program. Costs for related services are additional and will continue to be charged at the current pricing.

Autistic Support

See page 15 for contact info. Call for pricing.
 Invoice Frequency: In accordance with Section 6 of the AIU Services Agreement

The AIU's school-based autistic support services provide specially designed instruction to students who need a program that is highly structured with a special emphasis on communication and behavior. The program focuses on a strong speech and language component, which encourages the development of independence and self-sufficiency in the areas of community-based instruction skills, functional skills, vocational skills and leisure and social skills.

Emotional Support

See page 15 for contact info. Call for pricing.

Invoice Frequency: In accordance with Section 6 of the AIU Services Agreement

The AIU's school-based emotional support services provide a structured behaviorally and emotionally enhanced approach to students who demonstrate a pattern of behaviors that may include poor attendance, aggression toward others, withdrawal, poor peer/adult relationships and who may have court involvement. Some students may have diagnosed emotional disorders that need to be supported through coping strategies and self-monitoring. The primary goal of the program is to teach students the appropriate behaviors necessary to return to their home school program and to function within acceptable behavioral norms of the community.

Learning Support

See page 15 for contact info. Call for pricing.

Invoice Frequency: In accordance with Section 6 of the AIU Services Agreement

The AIU's school-based learning support services provide specially designed instruction to students who require significant modifications and adaptations to the general education curriculum in learning, behavioral and social skills support or receive standards-based education through the alternate eligible content.

Life Skills Support

See page 15 for contact info. Call for pricing.

Invoice Frequency: In accordance with Section 6 of the AIU Services Agreement

The AIU's school-based life skills support services provide specially designed instruction to students who require significant modifications and adaptations to the general education curriculum in learning, behavioral and social skills support or receive standards-based education through the alternate eligible content.

Multi-Disabilities Support

See page 15 for contact info. Call for pricing.

Invoice Frequency: In accordance with Section 6 of the AIU Services Agreement

The AIU's school-based multi-disabilities support services provide specially designed instruction to students who have two or more disabilities that may include complex medical needs requiring the integration of related services, such as OT/PT, vision, hearing, etc. Students may also require support in the development of their personal and social skills as well.

Physical Support

See page 15 for contact info. Call for pricing.

Invoice Frequency: In accordance with Section 6 of the AIU Services Agreement

The AIU's school-based physical support services provide specially designed instruction to students whose physical/intellectual disabilities are of such severity that program modification is needed to meet these physical and cognitive needs while challenging students to reach their full potential.

Vocational Programs

See page 15 for contact info. Call for pricing.

Invoice Frequency: In accordance with Section 6 of the AIU Services Agreement

The AIU offers comprehensive pre-vocational and vocational programs where students are taught pre-vocational skills. Through instruction, these skills grow into specific employment skills across the wide variety of settings including experiences within our school's well-equipped mechanical and industrial workshops that simulate real work environments. The AIU also provides training and community work-based educational experiences through partnerships with local businesses. Our PRIDE Program is a specifically designed program which is embedded in the community supporting students age 18-21 with moderate needs. PRIDE focuses on post-secondary education, employment and independent living skills which are essential for life after graduation.

Speech/Language Impaired Support

Auditory Processing Disorders (APD) Evaluation Team

Contact: Eileen Cirelli, 412-394-5823 • Fax: 412-394-5783 • E-mail: eileen.cirelli@aiu3.net

Cost: Call for pricing.

Invoice Frequency: Monthly, once services have been completed.

Auditory processing is the ability to accurately recognize and interpret the spoken word or auditory signal and demonstrate comprehension by providing an appropriate and timely response. The APD Evaluation Team's assessment includes an evaluation of records, testing, student observations, a parent interview and a speech and language evaluation. The outcomes of this assessment can be, but are not limited to, adaptations to the educational environment and consultation services to the team.

Diagnostic Consultation

Contact: Heidy Frycke, 412-394-5826 • Fax: 412-394-5783 • E-mail: heidy.frycke@aiu3.net

Cost: Call for pricing.

Invoice Frequency: Monthly, once services have been completed.

Speech and language diagnosticians are available to provide assessments for students with speech and language impairments when an evaluation independent of the school district is requested. The diagnosticians can also be requested by school districts to offer second opinions on difficult cases.

Feeding and Swallowing Technical Support Team

Contact: Heidy Frycke, 412-394-5826 • Fax: 412-394-5783 • E-mail: heidy.frycke@aiu3.net

Cost: Call for pricing.

Invoice Frequency: Monthly, once services have been completed.

When children are unable to eat due to physical or behavioral conditions, serious health problems can result. The Feeding and Swallowing Team can provide trainings, treatment and consultative services for students K-21 years of age throughout Allegheny County.

Primary Expressions K-1 Classrooms

Contact: Eileen Cirelli, 412-394-5823 • Fax: 412-394-5783 • E-mail: eileen.cirelli@aiu3.net

Heidy Frycke, 412-394-5826 • Fax: 412-394-5783 • E-mail: heidy.frycke@aiu3.net

Cost: K-1 language classroom, with full-time aide in class – Call for pricing.

Invoice Frequency: In accordance with Section 6 of the AIU Services Agreement

The AIU's Primary Expressions K-1 classrooms provide language-intensive services to Allegheny County students with a primary diagnosis of speech/language impairment. The classrooms are small instructional settings led by a certified elementary education teacher who is also dually certified as a Speech/Language Pathologist (SLP) and supported by a full-time paraprofessional to assist in the daily running of the classroom. In addition, an itinerant SLP provides intensive individual pull-out, small group and push-in classroom speech therapy as needed. Students who attend these settings participate in the regular education curriculum of the host school and are integrated into school activities. Related services are available as needed.

Speech/Language Impaired Support Program

Contact: Eileen Cirelli, 412-394-5823 • Fax: 412-394-5783 • E-mail: eileen.cirelli@aiu3.net

Heidy Frycke, 412-394-5826 • Fax: 412-394-5783 • E-mail: heidy.frycke@aiu3.net

Cost: Full-time itinerant – Call for pricing.

K-1 language classroom, with full-time aide in class – Call for pricing.

Invoice Frequency: In accordance with Section 6 of the AIU Services Agreement

Speech/language pathologists provide specially designed instruction to students whose impairment of language, voice, fluency or articulation is present to such a degree that academic achievement is affected and the condition is significantly handicapping to the student.

Supervision of Clinical Fellowship Year

Contact: Eileen Cirelli, 412-394-5823 • Fax: 412-394-5783 • E-mail: eileen.cirelli@aiu3.net

Heidy Frycke, 412-394-5826 • Fax: 412-394-5783 • E-mail: heidy.frycke@aiu3.net

Cost: Call for pricing.

Invoice Frequency: Annually, once services have been completed.

Supervision of speech and language pathologists seeking the American Speech-Language-Hearing Association (ASHA) Certificate of Clinical Competence (CCC) is available. It requires four hours per month for nine months for a total of 36 hours.

Teaching and Learning

THE AIU'S TEACHING AND LEARNING DIVISION provides direct services to students and facilitates professional development, technical assistance and support services that assist educators in addressing education requirements and best practices. The services focus on providing leading-edge, research-based practices to engage all learners and to generate effective solutions to educational challenges.

Academic Events and Gifted Education

Academic Events

Contact: Amy Davis, 412-394-4193 • E-mail: amy.davis@aiu3.net

Cost: Call for pricing.

Invoice Frequency: Upon registration

The AIU provides various academic competitions for elementary and secondary students. Events that are held on a yearly basis include the History Bowl (with Heinz History Center), the STEM Design Challenge and the Middle and High School Computer Fair. Students have the opportunity to build upon their classroom experiences and see how their learning fits into the real world.

Book Review Project

Contact: Amy Davis, 412-394-4193 • E-mail: amy.davis@aiu3.net

Cost: Call for pricing.

Through the AIU, teachers and librarians can review text and storybooks. Educators can choose up to 10 books sent by the publishers to review. Reviews of the books are turned into the AIU and then sent to the publisher. Teachers and librarians can keep the books they review.

Gifted Education

Contact: Amy Davis, 412-394-4193 • E-mail: amy.davis@aiu3.net

Cost: Call for pricing.

Programs offered include gifted boot camps, gifted networking meetings and a Gifted Resource Day. Offerings vary per year. Services also include assistance to schools in relation to gifted education regulations and updates.

Career Awareness and Education

Career Connections

Contact: Amy Davis, 412-394-4193 • E-mail: amy.davis@aiu3.net
Cost: Call for pricing.
Invoice Frequency: Due upon application

Career Connections offers students in grades 9-12 the opportunity to explore a career in programs that consist of one- to four-day learning experiences. Students meet and work with professionals who share their experience, expertise and enthusiasm for what they do for a living. The programs provide a chance for students to make connections with organizations and people who can help them as they pursue their career choices. A registration fee is due at time of application. This fee is refunded if a student is not accepted into their choice of program.

Career Symposiums

Contact: Amy Davis, 412-394-4193 • E-mail: amy.davis@aiu3.net
Cost: Call for pricing.

Career symposiums provide an opportunity for high school students to explore career areas. These free and open forums focus on specific career clusters and allow students to interact one-on-one with professionals about their career interests.

Center for Creativity

Center for Creativity

Contact: Tyler Samstag, 412-394-5829 • E-mail: tyler.samstag@aiu3.net
Cost: Call for pricing.
Website: <http://centerforcreativity.net>
Twitter: @cntr4creativity

Based at the AIU's Central Office, the Center for Creativity is a resource for the integration of innovative teaching and learning practices. It aims to support districts in the infusion of science, technology, engineering, the arts and mathematics (STEAM), digital media and creativity through professional development offerings, grants and events. Visit <http://centerforcreativity.net> to learn more.

Code.org Computer Science Fundamentals

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Tyler Samstag, 412-394-5829 • E-mail: tyler.samstag@aiu3.net
Cost: Call for pricing.

As a Code.org Regional Partner, the AIU offers a range of resources for K-12 computer science instruction, including no-cost workshops for Code.org's CS Fundamentals (K-5), CS Discoveries (6-10) and CS Principals (9-12) curriculum, with the latter having an Advanced Placement option. Additionally, the AIU hosts periodical computer science workshops designed for school administrators and counselors, and can hold strategic planning sessions around K-12 integration or computer science.

School Retool Fellowship for School Leaders

Contact: Tyler Samstag, 412-394-5829 • E-mail: tyler.samstag@aiu3.net
Cost: Call for pricing.

In collaboration with the Stanford d.school, the Center for Creativity each year hosts a cohort of School Retool, a professional development fellowship that helps school leaders redesign school culture using small, scrappy experiments called "hacks." Hacks may start small, but they're built on research-based practices that lead to deeper learning, and can create the big change you aspire to—namely, preparing students for life in the real world.

Center for Creativity (cont'd.)

STEAM Learning

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Cost: Call for pricing.

In an effort to infuse science, technology, engineering, the arts and mathematics (STEAM) into school districts' curricula, the Center for Creativity team members are available for STEAM planning, preparation, implementation and evaluation purposes.

STEAM Lending Library

Contact: Jana Baxter, 412-394-4602 • E-mail: jana.baxter@aiu3.net

Tyler Samstag, 412-394-5829 • E-mail: tyler.samstag@aiu3.net

Cost: Call for pricing.

In an effort to infuse science, technology, engineering, the arts and mathematics (STEAM) into school districts' curricula, the AIU has partnered with the Pittsburgh Penguins Foundation to create a K-12 STEAM Lending Library. After attending free professional development at the AIU, teachers may borrow class sets of technology resources at no cost.

STEAM Teacher and Coordinator Role-Alike Meetings

Contact: Tyler Samstag, 412-394-5829 • E-mail: tyler.samstag@aiu3.net

Cost: Call for pricing.

This role-alike group is designed for regional STEM/STEAM teachers and coordinators to network, share content and build skills. Some network with other STEAM educators to learn how they are integrating STEAM, maker education and coding in their curriculum.

transformED

Contact: Tyler Samstag, 412-394-5829 • E-mail: tyler.samstag@aiu3.net

Cost: Call for pricing.

transformED combines a dynamic physical space to stimulate new thinking around technology with targeted, specific events and workshops that empower educators to move forward in integrating technology. In this space, teachers can explore and discover alongside other educators to learn new ways to use emerging technology. Popular sessions include virtual reality in education, human-centered design workshops and supporting computational thinking in early elementary. transformED hosts more than 100 free sessions per year. Registration can be found on the Center for Creativity website: centerforcreativity.net.

Continuing Professional Education (CPE)

Advanced Placement Summer Institute (APSI)

Contact: Paul Cindric, 412-394-4940 • E-mail: paul.cindric@aiu3.net

Cost: Call for pricing.

Invoice Frequency: Pay upon registration

The AIU Advanced Placement Summer Institute (APSI) is an intensive four-day workshop for teachers of Advanced Placement courses in high school. Accredited by the College Board, the AIU APSI provides an opportunity for new and experienced teachers to revise and refresh the content, teaching strategies and syllabus of their course under the direction of College Board-approved expert consultants.

Continuing Professional Education Credit Courses

Contact: Paul Cindric, 412-394-4940 • E-mail: paul.cindric@aiu3.net

Cost: Call for pricing.

Invoice Frequency: Fee Call for pricing

The Continuing Professional Education (CPE) department offers all certified K-12 educators a convenient and cost-effective way to earn graduate-level continuing education credits. The CPE program offers more than 30 online courses that help teachers meet their PDE Level II requirements, move up in district pay scales or earn a Master's Equivalency Certificate.

Educator Induction Program

Contact: Paul Cindric, 412-394-4940 • E-mail: paul.cindric@aiu3.net

Cost: Call for pricing.

Invoice Frequency: Annually, in January

The AIU Continuing Education Department (CPE) offers a three-credit Educator Induction Program to schools throughout Pennsylvania. This cost-effective, convenient service meets one of the conditions necessary in converting teachers' certificates from Level I to Level II. In addition, the Educator Induction Program serves as a way to acclimate new teachers to the contemporary school system, requiring them to reflect upon and practice skills and concepts relevant to the 21st century classroom.

Professional Education Reporting (Act 48)

Contact: Paul Cindric, 412-394-4940 • E-mail: paul.cindric@aiu3.net

Cost: Call for pricing.

Invoice Frequency: After event

Continuing Professional Education (CPE) is involved in monitoring and reporting all Act 48-eligible events. Assistance is provided to districts and other organizations on the development of plans, the content or context of professional development opportunities and the management of Act 48 records.

Educational Technology and Innovative Practices

Apple Education Professional Development

Contact: Brian Stamford, 412-394-5923 • E-mail: brian.stamford@aiu3.net

Cost: Call for pricing.

Invoice Frequency: Contract defined, but typically after the event

The AIU's Apple Education Team provides customized professional development including effective pedagogical practices using Apple devices, iPad/Mac fundamentals, powerful advanced features and built-in and third-party educational learning resources. Contact us to discuss how we might help you transform classrooms in your district using devices you already have.

BrightBytes – Data Interpretation and Action Planning

Contact: Kevin Conner, 412-394-5760 • E-mail: kevin.conner@aiu3.net

Cost: Call for pricing.

The AIU has a research partnership agreement with BrightBytes that allows every AIU district to use the data collection tool to gain insight on the impact of instructional technology on student achievement. As part of the support services, the AIU provides a review of the data collection results for administrative groups and other stakeholders. In addition, the AIU assists in the development of action plans related to areas targeted for growth that directly tie to district goals and initiatives.

Computer Science and Technology Teachers Network

Contact: Jeremy Gaborin, 412-394-5705 • E-mail: jeremy.gaborin@aiu3.net

Cost: Call for pricing.

The Computer Science and Technology Teachers Network provides support to districts and teachers in the areas of instructional strategies and the integration of Pennsylvania Academic Standards. It also assists in curriculum design as well as professional development in the computer science and technology disciplines. The Computer Science and Technology Teachers Network facilitates networking between computer and technology teachers and with regional, national and global institutions to advance the level of STEAM integration and computational thinking among all learners.

Educational Technology and Innovative Practices (cont'd.)

Emerging Instructional Technologies

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Jana Baxter, 412-394-4602 • E-mail: jana.baxter@aiu3.net

Cost: Call for pricing.

Invoice Frequency: After event

The AIU's Teaching and Learning staff can assist school districts with a variety of emerging instructional technologies. Services include consultation during the exploration and planning phase as well as training during the implementation phase. Focus areas are 1:1 teaching and learning, web-based and app-based learning tools, and promoting the 4Cs (Communication, Collaboration, Critical Thinking and Creativity) through the use of instructional technology. The staff is fluent with multiple platforms, and certified to provide Apple, Google and Nearpod professional development for teachers.

Google Certified Educator Training – Level 1 and Level 2

Contact: Kevin Conner, 412-394-5760 • E-mail: kevin.conner@aiu3.net

Jana Baxter, 412-394-4602 • E-mail: jana.baxter@aiu3.net

Cost: Call for pricing.

Invoice Frequency: Invoice issued upon registration.

Google Certified Educator Level 1: This is a three-day session designed for educators who “know how to use Google tools in the classroom”, and this certification proves proficiency. Hands-on coaching will expose educators to a variety of Google tools so that they can successfully pass the Google Educator Level 1 certification. Participants should already be familiar with many of the GSuite for Education tools. *Note: Time is built into the agenda to take the exam on day three.*

Google Certified Educator Level 2: This is a three-day session designed for educators who are super users and enthusiasts of Google tools in the classroom. Hands-on coaching will expose educators to a variety of Google tools to successfully pass the Google Educator Level 2 certification. Participants should already be familiar with many of the GSuite for Education tools. *Note: Time is built into the agenda to take the exam on day three.*

Instructional Coaches Role-Alike Meetings

Contact: Kevin Conner, 412-394-5760 • E-mail: kevin.conner@aiu3.net

Heather Moschetta, 412-394-4919 • E-mail: heather.moschetta@aiu3.net

Cost: Call for pricing.

The AIU holds monthly instructional coaching workshops to provide information related to best practices and hands-on exercises to build coaching skills. Participants learn tools and techniques for effective academic coaching and engaging in collaborative problem solving with peers. The role-alike workshops are open to coaches who specialize in technology, literacy and math, as well as general instructional coaching. See also PA Institute for Instructional Coaching on page 45.

Integrating Open Educational Resources Across the Curriculum

Contact: Kevin Conner, 412-394-5760 • E-mail: kevin.conner@aiu3.net

Tyler Samstag, 412-394-5829 • E-mail: tyler.samstag@aiu3.net

Cost: Call for pricing.

The AIU provides coaching and guidance on transitioning to open educational resources through the Southwestern PA OER Network, a consortium of districts on the path towards replacing static textbooks with openly licensed educational resources. Professional development is also offered to individual districts outside of the network for awareness and implementation assistance. The AIU maintains relationships with the #GoOpen initiative as well as statewide repository creation initiatives.

Integrating Technology into the Curriculum

Contact: Kevin Conner, 412-394-5760 • E-mail: kevin.conner@aiu3.net
Cost: Call for pricing.

The AIU provides individualized support for districts in effectively and appropriately integrating technology into curricula and classroom instruction. This can be a team approach when appropriate, involving curriculum specialists or other educational technology professionals with specific expertise to share.

Media Coordinator Role-Alike Meetings

Contact: Jana Baxter, 412-394-4602 • E-mail: jana.baxter@aiu3.net
Cost: Call for pricing.

The AIU holds quarterly media coordinator role-alike trainings for district media specialists/librarians. Information on technology integration in schools is presented and discussed.

Online Learning Professional Development

Contact: Kevin Conner, 412-394-5760 • E-mail: kevin.conner@aiu3.net
Jana Baxter, 412-394-4602 • E-mail: jana.baxter@aiu3.net
Cost: Call for pricing.
Invoice Frequency: After event

The AIU's Teaching and Learning staff provides training focused on the creation of courses using a learning management system, such as Blackboard, Google Classroom, Schoology, Canvas and other systems used by districts. The focus will be either an asynchronous or a blended environment.

English as a Second Language (ESL)

AIU ESL Induction – Supplemental Services

Contact: Kelly Noyes, 412-394-5926 • E-mail: kelly.noyes@aiu3.net
Cost: Call for pricing.
Invoice Frequency: All ESL services are billed five times per year; services are combined.

Non-contracting districts can elect to send their newly-hired ESL teachers to a five-month ESL New Teacher Induction Program. The AIU ESL New Teacher Induction is a mentoring program in which teachers learn about ESL-specific laws, regulations and assessments. This training is a human resource investment that leads to a better understanding of the ESL student and encourages student success.

Curriculum Review Process– Supplemental Services

Contact: Kelly Noyes, 412-394-5926 • E-mail: kelly.noyes@aiu3.net
Cost: Call for pricing.
Invoice Frequency: All ESL services are billed five times per year; services are combined.

In the curriculum review process, staff suggest new scopes and sequences to parallel a district curriculum plan. In this process, districts may choose to focus on the alignment of ESL curriculum and instruction to state standards or on making content area curriculum accessible to English language learners in the district.

Direct Instruction Model

Contact: Kelly Noyes, 412-394-5926 • E-mail: kelly.noyes@aiu3.net
Cost: Call for pricing.
Invoice Frequency: All ESL services are billed five times per year; services are combined.

The K-12 English as a Second Language Program (ESL) has served districts in Allegheny County for nearly 30 years. The program serves children who come from all over the world and provides direct daily instruction in English with research-based curriculum specifically designed for the language acquisition process. All teachers are specifically trained and certified to provide this core content instruction.

English as a Second Language (ESL) (cont'd.)

Professional Development– Supplemental Services

Contact: Kelly Noyes, 412-394-5926 • E-mail: kelly.noyes@aiu3.net

Cost: Call for pricing.

Invoice Frequency: All ESL services are billed five times per year; services are combined.

The AIU's ESL staff development sessions are designed to align with the district's strategic plan and local initiatives. The AIU's ESL administrators facilitate each session and cover topics such as ESL issues, PDE updates and sustainability requirements.

State Monitoring, Program Monitoring and Evaluation – Supplemental Service

Contact: Kelly Noyes, 412-394-5926 • E-mail: kelly.noyes@aiu3.net

Cost: Call for pricing.

Invoice Frequency: All ESL services are billed five times per year; services are combined.

The AIU's ESL office provides assistance to districts preparing for state monitoring. All program compliance issues are reviewed with districts to assure that the district meets or exceeds the state's criteria.

Student Evaluations and Proficiency Testing – Supplemental Service

Contact: Dana Dervin 412-394-5948 • E-mail: dana.dervin@aiu3.net

Cost: Call for pricing.

Invoice Frequency: All ESL services are billed five times per year; services are combined.

The K-12 ESL Program provides individual student evaluations using the WIDA screener for initial screening and placement. The test is also used for the administration of the state-mandated ACCESS for English Language Learners language proficiency assessment administered yearly in Pennsylvania.

Student Exiting/Monitoring Process – Supplemental Service

Contact: Kelly Noyes, 412-394-5926 • E-mail: kelly.noyes@aiu3.net

Cost: Call for pricing.

Invoice Frequency: All ESL services are billed five times per year; services are combined.

This service facilitates the paperwork and compliance checks for students who have exited an ESL instructional program for two academic years.

Supervisor Services

Contact: Kelly Noyes, 412-394-5926 • E-mail: kelly.noyes@aiu3.net

Cost: Call for pricing.

Invoice Frequency: All ESL services are billed five times per year; services are combined.

School districts operating their own ESL programs may contract for supervisory services. The ESL Program tailors its services to meet school district needs, and takes into consideration the extent of services required and the amount of time a school district may need supervision.

Title III Consortium Services – AIU Serviced Districts – Liaison Committee

Contact: Gina DeMarco Wall, 412-394-5994 • E-mail: gina.demarcowall@aiu3.net

Cost: Call for pricing.

This ESL Liaison Committee is a role-alike liaison group that meets periodically throughout the school year. These meetings provide technical training, updates and information from PDE, information on best practices and legal requirements as well as on-going support for ESL liaisons in Title III Consortium school districts.

Title III Consortium Services – Title III Consortium Grant

Contact: Gina DeMarco Wall, 412-394-5994 • E-mail: gina.demarcowall@aiu3.net

Cost: Call for pricing.

Through the K-12 ESL Title III Consortium, participating districts receive professional development, technology and supplemental materials to support English Language Learners.

Evaluation, Grants and Data

Data Analysis, Management and Support

Contact: Leslie McConnell, 412-394-5821 • E-mail: leslie.mcconnell@aiu3.net
Yolanda Yugar, 412-394-5939 • E-mail: yolanda.yugar@aiu3.net

Cost: Call for pricing.

Invoice Frequency: Quarterly

The AIU provides data analysis services and designs surveys, instruments and systems to assist schools in collecting and analyzing relevant data for developing needs statements, proving program results, understanding student achievement, fulfilling reporting requirements and making decisions about school improvement.

Evaluation Services and Consultation – Evaluation Planning

Contact: Yolanda Yugar, 412-394-5939 • E-mail: yolanda.yugar@aiu3.net

Cost: Call for pricing.

Invoice Frequency: Month following completion of service

The AIU's evaluation specialists design individualized evaluation plans for self-evaluation or as part of program evaluation services.

Evaluation Services and Consultation – Program Monitoring and Evaluation

Contact: Yolanda Yugar, 412-394-5939 • E-mail: yolanda.yugar@aiu3.net

Cost: Call for pricing.

Invoice Frequency: Month following completion of service

The AIU's evaluation specialists conduct evaluations on the district, local, consortium, regional and state levels to improve programs and fulfill reporting requirements. This process may include documenting program implementation, conducting site visits, collecting and analyzing quantitative and qualitative data, preparing final evaluation reports and making recommendations for improvement. Scope of work depends on program needs and evaluation requirements.

Grant Development – Grant Development Training

Contact: Leslie McConnell, 412-394-5821 • E-mail: leslie.mcconnell@aiu3.net

Cost: Call for pricing.

Invoice Frequency: Upon registration

The AIU offers a one-day, intensive grant development workshop at the AIU's Central Office designed to give school leaders an understanding of the grant process and how to get started developing solid grant proposals. The AIU also offers customized grant training for districts and IUs held at their location.

Grant Development – Grant Facilitation and Support

Contact: Leslie McConnell, 412-394-5821 • E-mail: leslie.mcconnell@aiu3.net

Cost: Call for pricing.

Invoice Frequency: Month following completion of service

The AIU's grant specialists provide schools and IUs with support throughout the fundraising process, including assessing needs and developing programs, constructing narratives and budgets and applying for competitive funds from local, state and national funding sources.

Grant Development – Grant Network

Contact: Leslie McConnell, 412-394-5821 • E-mail: leslie.mcconnell@aiu3.net

Cost: Call for pricing.

The AIU's Grant Network provides information regarding grant opportunities and tips on how to develop a thorough proposal. Members receive regular notices about opportunities that can enhance programming and instruction at their schools. To join the Grant Network, register at www.surveymonkey.com/r/AIUGrantNetworkSignUp

Evaluation, Grants and Data *(cont'd.)*

Software and Data Systems

Contact: Leslie McConnell, 412-394-5821 • E-mail: leslie.mcconnell@aiu3.net

Cost: Call for pricing.

Invoice Frequency: Month following completion of service

The AIU provides web-based software and data warehouse systems customized to your needs in any number of areas such as customer relations management (CRM), time accounting and reporting, student achievement tracking/analysis and contract management.

Math and Science Collaborative (MSC)

Customized Mathematics and Science Professional Development for Effective Practices

Contact: Michael Fierle, 412-394-4628 • E-mail: michael.fierle@aiu3.net

Cost: Call for pricing.

Invoice Frequency: Month following completion of service

The AIU's MSC will provide customized professional development including effective pedagogical practices to meet the rigor of the Pennsylvania Core Mathematics Standards and the Pennsylvania Academic Standards for Science, including the K-12 Science Framework and the Pennsylvania Core Literacy Standards in Science and Technical Subjects. Professional learning experiences range from developing teacher leadership, STEM PLCs/communities of practice and lesson study, as well as content-specific, research-based courses and institutes in STEM content areas.

Educator Networks for K-12 Math Teachers

Contact: Michael Fierle, 412-394-4628 • E-mail: michael.fierle@aiu3.net

Cost: Call for pricing.

The grade-band educator networks bring together math teachers to learn from and with each other. Each network meets to explore and share successful strategies that actively engage students in the core content and practice standards featured at each grade level. Networks are based on research and standards, and are connected to the Pennsylvania Core mathematics standards.

Math Coach Network

Contact: Michael Fierle, 412-394-4628 • E-mail: michael.fierle@aiu3.net

Cost: Call for pricing.

Mathematics instructional leaders convene to support effective mathematics learning and build mathematics leadership capacity. Regional math coaches share ideas, successes and challenges as they interact in this professional learning community. By collaborating with other math coaches, they help each other better understand how to work with district staff to increase student thinking and learning in mathematics.

Mathematics and Science Curriculum Auditing and Curriculum Alignment or Writing

Contact: Michael Fierle, 412-394-4628 • E-mail: michael.fierle@aiu3.net

Cost: Call for pricing.

Invoice Frequency: Month following completion of service

The AIU's MSC performs audits for mathematics and science curricula and produces a customized report summarizing strengths, weaknesses and recommendations. Additionally, AIU MSC supports districts in a customized curriculum writing process to align math and science curricula to academic standards and best practices.

Mathematics Courses and Workshops

Contact: Michael Fierle, 412-394-4628 • E-mail: michael.fierle@aiu3.net

Cost: Call for pricing.

The MSC offers a variety of mathematics workshops and courses ranging from four days to 12 days. All courses and workshops target important mathematics content and effective teaching practices necessary to ensure all students learn mathematics with greater understanding. All courses and workshops are based on research and are connected to the Pennsylvania Core mathematics standards. For an up-to-date listing of all available courses and workshops, contact Michael Fierle.

Science Educator Networks for K-12 Teachers

Contact: Michael Fierle, 412-394-4628 • E-mail: michael.fierle@aiu3.net

Cost: Call for pricing.

The educator networks bring science teachers together to learn from and with each other. Each network meets two times per year to explore and share successful strategies to actively engage students in the content and practice standards. Networks are based on research and standards and connected to the Pennsylvania Academic Standards for Science, including the Pennsylvania Core Literacy Standards in Science and Technical Subjects.

Storytime STEM-Packs

Contact: Michael Fierle, 412-394-4628 • E-mail: michael.fierle@aiu3.net

Website: <https://storytimestem.com/>

Cost: Call for pricing.

Invoice Frequency: Pay upon order

Storytime STEM-packs are an educational innovation connected to children's literature that enables Early Learner educators to incorporate STEM concepts into children's learning experiences from PreK-4. Each Storytime STEM-pack includes a popular children's book, all the materials needed for an engaging STEM activity, and a facilitator guide that makes connecting the story to the STEM activity easy. All activities are based on the Next Generation Science Standards and Common Core Math Standards, and are grounded in cognitive research findings on how children learn.

Non-Public Schools Program

Non-Public Schools Program (NPSP)

Contact: Kathleen Carnicella, 412-394-4934 • E-mail: kathleen.carnicella@aiu3.net

Cost: Call for pricing.

The Non-Public Schools Program provides high-quality auxiliary Act 89 and Title 1 services for students attending non-public schools in grades K through 12. The mission of the NPSP is to provide support, resources, consultation and solutions to students, schools and families so non-public school students have every opportunity to maximize their academic potential in an ever-changing society.

Title I Non-Public Schools

Contact: Joe Pisciotta, 412-394-4194 • E-mail: joe.pisciotta@aiu3.net

Cost: Call for pricing. Please contact for more information.

Invoice Frequency: Four times a year, October, January, April and July

The AIU's Non-Public Schools Program offers comprehensive Title I services. School districts may contract with the AIU to provide Title I non-public school services that meet all federal requirements.

Title IIA Non-Public Schools

Contact: Joe Pisciotta, 412-394-4194 • E-mail: joe.pisciotta@aiu3.net

Cost: Call for pricing. Please contact for more information.

Invoice Frequency: Varies.

Title IIA professional development services are offered to non-public schools located within AIU's service area. Funding is generated at the federal level and then managed by the AIU on behalf of school districts. Non-public school staff and administrators may contact the AIU to utilize funding for professional development needs that align with federal requirements.

Title IIA Non-Public Schools Consortium

Contact: Joe Pisciotta, 412-394-4194 • E-mail: joe.pisciotta@aiu3.net

Cost: Call for pricing.

Non-public school consortium services are offered to non-public schools that generate Title IIA professional development funding. Non-public schools may choose to join the consortium that the AIU manages and schedule professional development offerings periodically throughout the school year. Staff and administrators from all consortium schools may attend any professional development offerings at no additional cost.

PA Department of Education (PDE) Initiatives

Career Readiness State Training Support Plan

Contact: Paul Cindric, 412-394-4940 • E-mail: paul.cindric@aiu3.net

Amy Davis, 412-394-4193 • E-mail: amy.davis@aiu3.net

Cost: Call for pricing.

Pennsylvania's future depends on having a well-educated and skilled workforce prepared to meet the current and projected demands of a global, knowledge-based 21st century economy. To address this need, PDE has developed the Career Readiness State Training Support Plan. The goal of this plan is to provide educators with access to professional development training opportunities that deliver the methodologies needed to prepare students for postsecondary success. The AIU and Intermediate Unit 1 will lead this training initiative for the department. Training will provide LEAs and school teams best practices to drive career readiness at the local school level around Career Education and Work curricular integration, Teacher in the Workplace, Stakeholder Engagement, and technical and data systems support.

Classroom Diagnostic Tools (CDT)

Contact: Michele Burgess, 412-394-4639 • E-mail: michele.burgess@aiu3.net

Cost: Call for pricing.

Teaching and Learning staff provide training in the use of the Pennsylvania Classroom Diagnostic Tools (CDT), which is a set of online assessments, divided by content area, designed to provide diagnostic information in order to guide instruction and remediation. This service is free of charge and assists educators in improving the chances of academic success in their classrooms.

Comprehensive Planning Process

Contact: Brian Stamford, 412-394-5923 • E-mail: brian.stamford@aiu3.net

Cost: Call for pricing.

The Comprehensive Planning Process fulfills the requirements of Chapter 4, Professional Education Plan, special education and Chapter 12 plans. Teaching and Learning staff are available to assist school and district administrators to use the "Comprehensive Planning Tool" to design and submit the required plans to the Pennsylvania Department of Education.

Curriculum Director Role-Alike Meetings

Contact: Brian Stamford, 412-394-5923 • E-mail: brian.stamford@aiu3.net

Cost: Call for pricing.

District administrators responsible for curriculum, instruction and assessment meet on a monthly basis for information sharing, networking, problem solving and resource sharing.

Educator Evaluation

Contact: Paul Cindric, 412-394-4940 • E-mail: paul.cindric@aiu3.net

Cost: Call for pricing.

Teaching and Learning staff provide training and support to school administrators in the state-mandated evaluation processes for principals, teachers and non-teaching professionals.

Federal Programs Role-Alike Meetings

Contact: Kelly Noyes, 412-394-5926 • E-mail: kelly.noyes@aiu3.net

Cost: Call for pricing.

Invoice Frequency: Annually, in October

The Federal Programs Role-Alike Meetings are designed to guide both new and experienced federal program directors through the year-long process of planning, designing, implementing and evaluating federal programs at the district level. These sessions provide an opportunity for networking, problem solving, sharing of resources and focus on implementation of quality and compliant programs.

PA Department of Education (PDE) Initiatives *(cont'd.)*

Future Ready PA Index

Contact: Brian Stamford, 412-394-5923 • E-mail: brian.stamford@aiu3.net
Cost: Call for pricing.

Teaching and Learning staff provide assistance in the analysis of the Future Ready PA Index, which provides a holistic view of a school's effectiveness as part of ESSA, and offers a resource for LEAs to communicate and compare performance, as well as analyze performance indicators as related to achievement and growth, and encourage best practice.

PA Value-Added Assessment System (PVAAS)

Contact: Michele Burgess, 412-394-4639 • E-mail: michele.burgess@aiu3.net
Cost: Call for pricing.

Teaching and Learning staff trained in the Pennsylvania Value-Added Assessment System (PVAAS) provide support and technical assistance to districts in interpreting and understanding available PVAAS reports.

School Assessment Data Analysis

Contact: Brian Stamford, 412-394-5923 • E-mail: brian.stamford@aiu3.net
Cost: Call for pricing.

Teaching and Learning staff provide assistance in the analysis of school assessment data, including PSSAs, Keystones, PVAAS and the School Performance Profile. Free assistance is available to aid in identifying strengths and needs, pinpointing root causes and supporting school improvement.

School Improvement Facilitation

Contact: Paul Cindric, 412-394-4940 • E-mail: paul.cindric@aiu3.net
Cost: Call for pricing.

Services to support educational entities in need of improvement are provided to schools and districts by the AIU. Assistance in enhancing academic performance and growth that focuses on research-based methods embedded in the Cycle of Improvement is facilitated by Teaching and Learning professionals. These services include trainings and technical support to schools designated by the state as Comprehensive Support and Improvement (CSI), Additional Targeted Support and Improvement (A-TSI), and Targeted Support and Improvement (TSI).

Standards Aligned System Training

Contact: Brian Stamford, 412-394-5923 • E-mail: brian.stamford@aiu3.net
Cost: Call for pricing.

The Pennsylvania Standards Aligned System (SAS) is a comprehensive, research-based framework to improve student achievement. SAS identifies six elements that impact student achievement: standards, assessments, curriculum framework, instruction, materials and resources as well as safe and supportive schools. The SAS website provides useful resources aligned to each of these elements.

Reading Achievement Center (RAC)

Adolescent Literacy Institute

Contact: Heather Moschetta, 412-394-4919 • E-mail: heather.moschetta@aiu3.net
Cost: Call for pricing.
Invoice Frequency: After initial session

The Adolescent Literacy Institute is a series of workshops for middle and high school teachers that focuses on research-based literacy practices that support students as they become college and career ready. Specifically aligned with brain research on how adolescents learn, this workshop series engages participants in the research behind and modeling of effective reading and writing instruction for the secondary grades.

Comprehension, Close Reading and Complex Text: Laying the Foundation K-2

Contact: Lisa Yonek, 412-394-1370 • E-mail: lisa.yonek@aiu3.net
Cost: Call for pricing.
Invoice Frequency: After initial session

Transitioning students to the demands of the Pennsylvania Core Standards is not a job just for teachers in the tested grades. This four-day series supports teachers in the primary grades in aligning their instructional practices to the Pennsylvania Core. Participants learn how to incorporate informational text, text-dependent questions, close reading, scaffolds for complex text, text annotation, rigorous tasks and academic vocabulary into their everyday practice.

Cultivating Comprehension in the Classroom I

Contact: Heather Moschetta, 412-394-4919 • E-mail: heather.moschetta@aiu3.net
Lisa Yonek, 412-394-1370 • E-mail: lisa.yonek@aiu3.net
Cost: Call for pricing.
Invoice Frequency: After initial session

This professional development series consists of four full days of training that focuses exclusively on the reading comprehension domain of literacy. Targeted for teachers in grades 3 to 7, the content is directly aligned with the Pennsylvania Core standards and state test expectations. Participants learn techniques to design reading instruction that meet the standards' rigorous expectations.

Customized Reading Support

Contact: Heather Moschetta, 412-394-4919 • E-mail: heather.moschetta@aiu3.net
Lisa Yonek, 412-394-1370 • E-mail: lisa.yonek@aiu3.net
Cost: Call for pricing.
Invoice Frequency: After the service is delivered.

The Reading Achievement Center offers professional development that is focused on increasing student achievement. Professional development is customized to each school's unique needs and based on effective, research-based instructional practice to build rigorous literacy programs.

ELA Symposium

Contact: Heather Moschetta, 412-394-4919 • E-mail: heather.moschetta@aiu3.net
Cost: Call for pricing.

The Reading Achievement Center provides two annual symposiums that focus on expert literacy practices aligned to the PA Core standards along with samples of instruction that meet the standards' rigorous expectations.

Reading Achievement Center (RAC) *(cont'd.)*

English Language Arts Auditing and Curriculum Alignment or Writing

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Lisa Yonek, 412-394-1370 • E-mail: lisa.yonek@aiu3.net

Cost: Call for pricing.

The AIU's RAC team performs audits for English Language Arts curricula and produces a customized report summarizing strengths, weaknesses and recommendations. Additionally, AIU RAC supports districts in a customized curriculum writing process to align ELA curricula to academic standards and best practices.

K-3 Apprenticeship Model

Contact: Lisa Yonek, 412-394-1370 • E-mail: lisa.yonek@aiu3.net

Cost: Call for pricing.

Invoice Frequency: Upon registration

The K-3 Apprenticeship Model is a unique professional development model that supports primary reading teachers with the knowledge, skills, best practices and on-site support in teaching all students to be skilled readers and writers. This professional development opportunity consists of initial intensive, comprehensive training in reading history, pedagogy, theory, research and proven instructional practice and monthly follow-up trainings to build breadth and depth of professional knowledge in the English Language Arts. Teachers meet for 12 sessions at the AIU and additional technical support takes place at each site.

Keystone Exams in Literature

Contact: Heather Moschetta, 412-394-4919 • E-mail: heather.moschetta@aiu3.net

Cost: Call for pricing.

Teaching and Learning personnel support districts in their efforts to better understand the requirements of the Keystone Exams in Literature. Training can include selecting texts appropriate for Keystone Exam complexity, deconstructing the format of fiction and nonfiction test items, and designing instruction around the rigor required for the exam.

Literacy Design Collaborative (LDC)

Contact: Heather Moschetta, 412-394-4919 • E-mail: heather.moschetta@aiu3.net

Lisa Yonek, 412-394-1370 • E-mail: lisa.yonek@aiu3.net

Cost: Call for pricing.

Invoice Frequency: Month following completion of service

LDC equips teachers, instructional coaches, and school leaders with tools and learning experiences that build rigorous intellectual experiences and opportunities for students. The AIU's RAC team guides teacher teams through LDC's backward design process and using the nationally vetted curriculum library, LDC CoreTools, to create literacy-based units in any content area.

PA Core Standards for English Language Arts (ELA)

Contact: Heather Moschetta, 412-394-4919 • E-mail: heather.moschetta@aiu3.net

Lisa Yonek, 412-394-1370 • E-mail: lisa.yonek@aiu3.net

Cost: Call for pricing.

Pennsylvania has transitioned to the PA Core Standards for instruction and assessment. Professional development is available to assist district staff in fully implementing the English Language Arts Pennsylvania Core Standards through aligning curriculum and making needed changes and refinements in instructional practices.

PA Institute for Instructional Coaching

Contact: Heather Moschetta, 412-394-4919 • E-mail: heather.moschetta@aiu3.net
Cost: Call for pricing.

The Pennsylvania Institute for Instructional Coaching (PIIC), a partnership of the Pennsylvania Department of Education and Pennsylvania Association of Intermediate Units, is a state-wide resource to support instructional coaching that helps teachers strengthen instructional practice, increase student engagement and improve student learning. See also Instructional Coaches Role-Alike Meetings on page 33.

Reading Achievement Center Resource Room

Contact: Heather Moschetta, 412-394-4919 • E-mail: heather.moschetta@aiu3.net
Lisa Yonek, 412-394-1370 • E-mail: lisa.yonek@aiu3.net
Cost: Call for pricing.

The Reading Achievement Center includes limited samples of effective commercial programs and other educator resources to supplement and enhance classroom instruction and out-of-school learning. Schools can view samples of several major programs before piloting or purchasing.

Reading Specialist Network

Contact: Lisa Yonek, 412-294-1370 • E-mail: lisa.yonek@aiu3.net
Cost: Call for pricing.

This network provides reading specialists with a forum to meet, discuss and deepen their practice in working with struggling students as well as providing teachers with resources and valuable instructional strategies. Reading specialists meet four times during the year.

Teaching Writing

Contact: Heather Moschetta, 412-394-4919 • E-mail: heather.moschetta@aiu3.net
Cost: Call for pricing.
Invoice Frequency: After initial session

This four-day series focuses on the semantic and syntactic structures of written language to meet the demands of the Pennsylvania Core standards and produce competent writers. The training emphasizes how to teach writing systematically and effectively. Participants learn and practice techniques and receive materials for implementing effective writing instruction in grades 4 to 8.

Text Dependent Analysis: Effective Instructional Practices

Contact: Heather Moschetta, 412-394-4919 • E-mail: heather.moschetta@aiu3.net
Cost: Call for pricing.
Invoice Frequency: After initial session

This four-day series focuses on effective teaching practices to help students overcome some of the biggest struggles with the text dependent analysis (TDA) portion of the PSSA. Sessions focus on teaching students how to understand the prompt, read and write for analysis, determine the best evidence and craft the essay. All materials, along with sample student responses for modeling, are included.

Text Dependent Analysis Part 2 - Studying Student Work

Contact: Lisa Yonek, 412-294-1370 • E-mail: lisa.yonek@aiu3.net
Cost: Call for pricing.

This three day series is open to all teachers in grades 4-8 who have completed the first course, Text Dependent Analysis: Effective Instructional Practices. In part two, participants deepen their understanding by learning about text dependent analysis learning progressions, studying student work and identifying trends to set next steps. All teachers will be required to administer two examples to their students and bring a sample of the work to subsequent sessions. Prompts and other materials will be provided.

Social Studies

Social Studies Network

Contact: Paul Cindric, 412-394-4940 • E-mail: paul.cindric@aiu3.net

Cost: Call for pricing.

The Social Studies Network provides support to districts and teachers in the areas of instructional strategies, integration of PA Core literacy standards and PA social studies content standards. Assistance is also provided in curriculum design as well as professional development in the social studies disciplines. In addition, a Social Studies Network series of professional development facilitates networking between social studies teachers and regional, national and global institutions to advance the level of civic engagement and historical thinking among all learners.

Training and Consultation (TaC)

Acadience Training

Contact: Shelly Burr, 412-394-5781 • E-mail: shelly.burr@aiu3.net

Kate Stuckey, 412-394-5846 • E-mail: katherine.stuckey@aiu3.net

Cost: Call for pricing.

Invoice Frequency: After event

Dynamic Measurement Group (DMG) has available a number of valuable assessment measures to support the use of data in making instructional decisions to improve student achievement. Trainings are available in Acadience Reading benchmark assessments, Acadience Deep diagnostic reading assessments, Acadience Math benchmark assessments and Acadience Data Interpretation.

Assistive Technology

Contact: Kristen Tachoir, 412-394-1375 • E-mail: kristen.tachoir@aiu3.net

Cost: Call for pricing.

Assistive technology services include: consulting with student teams; providing information needed for the trial or acquisition of devices; assisting teams in the selection, customization, application, retention or replacement of devices; aiding teams in the integration of assistive technology into instruction and coordinated therapies; and providing training and technical assistance. Training specific to accessibility features within Word and Google Chrome is also available to increase implementation of these tools to assist students in accessing the general education curriculum.

Autism Support

Contact: Leanna Lawson, 412-394-5857 • E-mail: leanna.lawson@aiu3.net

Cost: Call for pricing.

Training and consultation are available to the AIU's member school districts and programs to address instructional strategies for students with autism spectrum disorder (ASD). From large trainings to school-based team meetings, AIU-TaC consultants present research-based approaches to promote success for students with ASD.

Co-Teaching

Contact: Leanna Lawson, 412-394-5857 • E-mail: leanna.lawson@aiu3.net

Cost: Call for pricing.

Professional development is provided to administrators and teachers to implement co-teaching in their classrooms. The series will provide teams of educators the background and skills necessary to begin to implement a co-teaching model. Participation in the series includes on-site customized support, sessions for implementation suggestions and problem-solving.

Data Team Training

Contact: Shelly Burr, 412-394-5781 • E-mail: shelly.burr@aiu3.net
Kate Stuckey, 412-394-5846 • E-mail: katherine.stuckey@aiu3.net
Cost: Call for pricing.

The use of data to support instructional decision-making is a core component of the Multi-Tiered System of Supports/Response to Instruction and Intervention framework (MTSS/RTII). Free professional development and technical assistance is provided to districts to build team capacity to analyze data and support student achievement.

Diagnostic Assessment and Interventions

Contact: Shelly Burr, 412-394-781 • E-mail: shelly.burr@aiu3.net
Kate Stuckey, 412-394-5846 • E-mail: katherine.stuckey@aiu3.net
Cost: Call for pricing.

Professional development and assistance are available in the areas of reading and mathematics.

Intensive Interagency Coordination

Contact: Carrie Frohnapfel, 412-394-4593 • E-mail: carrie.frohnapfel@aiu3.net
Cost: Call for pricing.

The interagency coordinator facilitates interagency problem-solving teams in the AIU's member school districts and charter schools to assist in the design and delivery of coordinated services to individual school-age children and their families. Intensive interagency coordination is critical when a student does not have an appropriate placement or is at risk of losing an educational placement.

Language Essentials for Teachers of Reading and Spelling (LETRS)

Contact: Kate Stuckey, 412-394-5846 • E-mail: katherine.stuckey@aiu3.net
Cost: Call for pricing.
Invoice Frequency: Upon registration

Language Essentials for Teachers of Reading and Spelling (LETRS) is professional development for educators responsible for improving K-12 instruction in reading, writing and spelling.

Least Restrictive Environment/Inclusive Practices

Contact: Leanna Lawson, 412-394-5857 • E-mail: leanna.lawson@aiu3.net
Cost: Call for pricing.

Professional development and technical assistance are provided to support school districts in implementing the Least Restrictive Environment (LRE) of IDEA and related case law. The focus is on assisting teachers and administrators to ensure that all students gain access to grade level content standards. Training in the alternate eligible content for ELA, math, science and writing is also available.

Multi-Sensory Approach to Teaching Mathematics

Contact: Shelly Burr, 412-394-5781 • E-mail: shelly.burr@aiu3.net
Cost: Call for pricing.

The purpose of teaching through a concrete-to-representational-to-abstract sequence (CRA) of instruction is to ensure students truly have a thorough understanding of the math concepts/skills they are learning. CRA training is available for early numeracy, addition/subtraction, multiplication/division, fractions and integers/expressions.

Training and Consultation (TaC) (cont'd.)

Multi-Tiered System of Supports for Behavior (MTSS)/(SWPBIS)

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Shanna Bradfield, 412-394-5702 • E-mail: shanna.bradfield@aiu3.net
Cost: Call for pricing.

Professional development and ongoing technical assistance is provided to support implementation of School Wide Positive Behavior Interventions Support (SWPBIS) at both the Universal and Advanced Tiers. Tier 1 implementation includes school wide, non-classroom and classroom settings. Advanced Tiers/Tiers 2 and 3, address data, systems and interventions such as CICO, Check and Connect, and RENEW.

Multi-Tiered System of Supports (MTSS)/ Response to Instruction and Intervention (RTII)

Contact: Kate Stuckey, 412-394-5846 • E-mail: katherine.stuckey@aiu3.net
Cost: Call for pricing.

Professional development and technical assistance are provided to districts implementing a Multi-Tiered System of Supports/Response to Instruction and Intervention framework. MTSS/RTII supports the use of data to determine how students respond to curricular and instructional procedures.

Positive Behavior Supports

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Cost: Call for pricing.

Professional development and technical assistance is provided in the areas of individual student consultations, functional behavior assessments, positive behavior support plans, classroom management consultations/training, effective interventions for Tough Kids and trauma informed practices.

Supporting Literacy and Mathematics Development

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Cost: Call for pricing

Free professional development is provided to educators to further develop their foundational knowledge of how students attain skills in numeracy and literacy. Specific strategies are provided to support students who may be struggling.

Transition Services

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Training and Consultation staff provide professional development and support in all aspects of transition services as required by the Pennsylvania Department of Education, Bureau of Special Education. Additional trainings are also provided for families to provide support during the transition process. Session topics include post-secondary program resources, options and community supports, pre-employment transition services, OVR eligibility, transition law, policy, self-determination, advocacy and RENEW.

Waterfront Learning

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Cost: Call for pricing.

Invoice Frequency: Quarterly, once the service has been completed.

Waterfront Learning provides affordable K-12 virtual and hybrid educational options for school districts. Implementation has been designed to meet the diverse needs of educational entities by providing full-time and part-time services to personalize learning pathways for all students. Secondary virtual academics focus on: core content, comprehensive world languages, STEM, advanced placement, dual credit, credit recovery, Keystone remediation and career readiness. The K-6 elementary program provides core, elective language options as well as gifted and talented course offerings. Districts also contract for curriculum expansion, participation of students with special needs, alternative education environments, hardware and Internet allocation, hybrid learning planning and professional development services.

Customized Professional Development

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Cost: Call for pricing.

Invoice Frequency: Once the service has been completed.

Customized professional development is available on a variety of topics related to online, blended and hybrid learning. Examples include Student Data Security and Integration; Hybrid Design; Leading by Design: Space + Learning = Results!; Teacher 2.0 – Becoming an Innovative Online Instructor (Beginner, Intermediate, Advanced).

Data Security and Integration

Contact: Jennifer Beagan, 412-394-4996 • E-mail: jennifer.beagan@aiu3.net

Cost: Call for pricing.

Invoice Frequency: Once the service has been completed.

Creating online experiences for students while maintaining safety and security can be difficult. Schools must collaborate with vendors to keep student online access, safety and security a top priority. These sessions will discuss requirements for the maintenance of student information safety (personally identifiable information, or PII) when working in online environments. Participants will review sample language and accountability measures for use in vendor contracts and third party agreements pertaining to student information and data security. Participants will discover how data is being utilized by the educational entity and how to safeguard personally identifiable information in a digital world.

Hybrid Learning Instructional Design Plan

Contact: Jennifer Beagan, 412-394-4996 • E-mail: jennifer.beagan@aiu3.net

Cost: Call for pricing.

Invoice Frequency: Once the service has been completed.

Hybrid learning consultation, technology utilization, data collection and analyses, along with comprehensive support services, are available to districts. An initial consultation is free, followed by tiered costs based on need and the results of implementation planning.



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