# Principal Update

## Helping Your Beginning Teachers Link Professional Development to Practice

Your beginning teachers recently attended professional development.

### Professional Development

#### Topic: Using Data to Understand Students’ Needs and Inform Practice

At this professional development session, beginning teachers learned the following:

* Importance of making decisions collaboratively to ensure student success
* The data-based individualization (DBI) process
* Coplanning and coteaching models and strategies

### Follow-Up

#### Suggestions for Follow-Up With Your Beginning Teachers

1. Visit your beginning teachers’ team planning session and see how data are being used to inform instruction. Ask about DBI.
2. Visit your beginning teachers’ team planning session and see which coplanning model is being used. Ask questions about which models have been implemented and about timelines to use other HLPs.
3. Discuss how DBI and coplanning can facilitate collaboration and ultimately impact teaching and learning.