Creating transformational learning communities fiercely committed to educational equity and excellence.

“The School Reform Initiative (SRI) is the premier source for materials, resources, and professional development related to SRI Critical Friendship, Facilitative Leadership, and Collaborative Learning. We support educators to address issues of educational equity and excellence for all students by building and sustaining transformational learning communities.”

SRI is an independent, nonprofit organization serving thousands of educators and students throughout the United States and beyond. Our work is grounded in the notion that when adults learn together, student success increases. SRI’s skilled facilitators provide educators with the knowledge, skills, and tools required to take on the challenges of making schools more equitable for all students.
Connecting with SRI

SRI offers expert professional learning experiences and coaching to support the creation of collaborative learning environments. The services we offer are aligned with the goals and needs of the school to help build capacity to address the unique needs of the local context.

We support schools, districts and organizations around the following core topics:

- **Transformational Learning Communities.**
  
  *Professional Learning Community (PLC)*

  Educators routinely engage in collaborative learning in various settings such as grade level and content area teams, book groups, study groups, action research and data analysis teams, administrative or leadership teams and many others. Oftentimes these groups do not have the knowledge and skill to be highly effective and successful. SRI provides professional development for members and leaders of these PLCs around the use of multiple strategies and tools to help insure their success.

- **Intentional Learning Communities**

Learning Communities need to be intentional to help surface troubling issues of equity and examines assumptions about teaching and learning through reflective and collaborative practices. The tools and resources utilized should support educators and organizations to gain different perspectives about their students. They allow educators to build trust, take risks, and surface assumptions and insights about the students they serve by looking regularly and carefully at authentic student and adult work. SRI offers professional development for participants and facilitators of Intentional Learning Communities.

- **Facilitative Leadership.** Being an effective leader takes time and support. Facilitative leadership development provides current and emerging leaders with knowledge, tools, and resources to support the development of reflective, collaborative, and learning-focused schools and organizations. Facilitative leaders might be principals, department chairs, coaches or others within a school, community, or organization. The knowledge and skills gained through SRI’s Facilitative Leadership work translate into every setting where adults strive to work collaboratively.

- **Customized Coaching and Support.** Sometimes organizations do not know where to start, and a customized support plan offers the best way to begin. SRI’s expert staff and facilitators work with educators and community members to understand current successes and areas for improvement within the local context, and help to devise a support plan that will successfully meet their goals.

SRI serves as a resource for individuals and organizations to learn about and stay connected to a vibrant educational community committed to transformational learning.

- **Visit our website** for access to our library of tools and resources to support individuals engaging in SRI critical friendship. You will find free access to the protocols we use in our work, as well as research and articles supporting the implementation of this work. You can also order the SRI Resource and Protocol book and a variety of books written by members of the SRI community that document best practices

- **Connect with SRI national affiliates and facilitators.** Our affiliates offer a number of seminars and institutes throughout the country that help prepare educators to dive deeply into the work of transformational learning communities. There are professional development opportunities for those who are new, as well as those who have experience and want to deepen their practice. Visit the SRI events page to search by state, date or category to find the perfect opportunity for you: schoolreforminitiative.org/events.

- **Attend the 2017 SRI Winter Meeting: Denver, CO on January 12-14, 2017.** Join educators from around the country who are committed to transformational learning for the benefit of all students to learn more about powerful SRI Learning Communities in action. Learn more: schoolreforminitiative.org/winter-meeting.

- **Become our friend on Facebook** (facebook.com/SchoolReformInitiative), follow us on Twitter (@SchoolReformInc), and join our news list (schoolreforminitiative.org/e-news-signup/) to stay connected and learn more!

Call or email to learn more about the work of The School Reform Initiative and let us see how we might be able to support you.

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