Is System-Wide Coaching Useful?

Following are the results of a two year mixed-method study on system-wide coaching in the Toronto District School Board (TDSB).*

Why Coaching?

- Improves job satisfaction
- Increases inquiry-based & STEM teaching
- Increases Teaching Efficacy

Study Details

- Over two years with surveys, interviews, and focus groups
- 80 teachers
- 50 Administrators
- 10 STEM Coaches
- 439 students

Key Results

Teachers:
- Increased confidence teaching STEM
- Increased inquiry-based teaching

Students:
- Increased Learning
- Improved 21st century skills
- Increased interest in STEM careers

Recommendations

- Continue with coaching model
- More access to STEM Coaches
- More STEM training for coaches
- Ways to assist with mismatched teachers and coaches

Bottom Line

The coaching model should be CONTINUED and potentially EXPANDED.

*For further details on "Fostering Global Competencies and Deeper Learning with Digital Technologies Research Series" please visit: http://www.tdsb.on.ca/research/Research/Publications/TechnologyandInnovationinEducation.aspx