

Professional Development Description	
Name of Entity: The APPLE Group	
Name of Product: Connections: OG in 3D, 9th Edition	
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Audience: □ Principals and Administrators □ K-3 Teachers ☑ K-12 Teachers Contact Hours: 45 hours	Delivery Format: ☑ Online asynchronous, independent ☑ Online synchronous, live ☑ Online with live component ☑ In-person, face-to-face live ☑ Hybrid



Description of Professional Development:

The APPLE Group/Connections training is unique in that it integrates both the *why* (the knowledge of the science of reading) and the *how* (the application of knowing how to teach the science of reading.) The APPLE Group is known for providing the most integrated content and practice standards training, with each participant receiving their own big box of materials and supplies. These are used for hands-on practice during the training and can also be used to teach structured literacy in their classrooms or interventions.

Teachers become well-versed in planning and implementing sciencebased reading instruction. They will be able to confidently review reading programs to determine if they meet the criteria for teaching the science of reading.

The APPLE Group is accredited by IDA and CERI for educator training that meets the Knowledge and Practice Standards for Teaching the Science of Reading. It is approved teacher training that is grounded in the Science of Reading. In this fun, engaging, interactive training, teachers practice the implementation of SoR, receive one-on-one feedback from instructors, and even have the option to become certified by IDA and CERI.

Evidence of this effective training for teachers can be provided in peer-reviewed, published scientific journal articles, awards from the expert researchers in the science of reading, national accreditations, student data, teacher and administrator evaluations, letters of support and testimony, and decisions from other states who have carefully vetted and chosen the APPLE Group/Connections training as their professional development/structured literacy training. The APPLE Group is known for its ongoing support. Connections-trained teachers have ongoing daily access to the trainers. Teachers' comments can be read on www.applegroupdyslexia.com.