



**LRCE Presents:**  
**The What, Why, and How of Professional Learning Communities**  
**A Two Part Workshop Series**

Louisiana Resource Center for Educators' Reform Solutions Division is excited to offer a **two** part workshop series on **Professional Learning Communities** led by Parry Graham – coauthor of *Building a Professional Learning Community at Work: A Guide to the First Year*. This two part workshop series is open to administrators, aspiring leaders, teams, and teacher leaders throughout Louisiana. Be sure to register for **Part I** of the workshop series by **Wednesday, January 20, 2010** and **Part II** by February 24, 2010 (see registration information below.)

**Part I:**

**An Introduction to Professional Learning Communities: *Structure and Argument***

Professional Learning Communities (PLCs) are a powerful tool for transforming schools and refocusing our reform efforts toward student learning. In this workshop, participants will explore the structure and argument of PLCs through inquiry and analysis. Throughout the session, research related to the creation and support of PLCs will be shared and the important characteristics of PLCs identified.

**Date:** Saturday, January 23, 2010  
**Time:** 8am – 12pm  
**Location:** LRCE  
5550 Florida Boulevard  
Baton Rouge, LA 70806  
**Fee:** \$60/person (\$100/person for both parts)  
Registration fee includes all workshop materials and a continental breakfast

**Part II:**

**Establishing PLCs in your Building: *The Nuts and Bolts***

How can administrators and motivated teachers take the promise of a professional learning community (PLC) and turn it into reality? Whether starting in a new building or working with the same colleagues from the past fifteen years, how can school leaders transform theories of collaboration into highly effective nuts-and-bolts practices? In this workshop, participants will be provided a framework for accomplishing this difficult task, focusing on the successes and challenges inherent in the process.

**Date:** Saturday, February 27, 2010  
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**Registration information is available at**

**[http://www.lrce.org/charter\\_school.html](http://www.lrce.org/charter_school.html)**

**Contact Kathryn Meeley at [kathrynm@lrce.org](mailto:kathrynm@lrce.org) or call (225)924-7600 with questions**

LRCE Members will receive a 10% discount on workshop Fees.

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**\*\*Due to the interactive nature of these workshops, there is limited space available – Registration will be taken on a first come first serve basis.\*\***