

Program Support and Training

Novel Ideas, Inc. is pleased to offer on-going support

for its programs and in-service training sessions:

On-Site Workshops and Academic Coaching

On-site training and academic coaching can be contracted with Novel Ideas. In consultation with you, we will design training and workshops that are specific to the needs of your school or district. Staff development on a range of topics related to all Novel Ideas products such as initial training, advanced training, and maintaining program effectiveness over time is offered. We also can provide training in developing higher level thinking skills, writing your own novel studies that follow our pattern, rubric driven evaluation, targeted remediation of written expression, designing your own rubrics for all subject areas and levels, implementing think-alouds, and effective vocabulary development. Consultants can provide your school with on-going academic coaching to ensure fidelity in the implementation process, monitoring of student progress, and making plans for individual students and groups of students with special needs.

Telephone and Email Support

Schools that have purchased materials from Novel Ideas, Inc. receive on-going telephone and email support from the senior author, Terry Dodds. She will assist your school in selecting materials that are appropriate for the needs of your students in accordance with your state standards, advise on effective implementation, and answer day-to-day questions.

Custom Curriculum Mapping for Language Arts

Terry Dodds, the senior author, is available to discuss with your curriculum staff to assist in the preparation of customized curriculum maps for your language arts program that are specific to your school needs and student population. Curriculum maps can be prepared that incorporate novel studies into your basal program or that provide a trade book (novels) based reading curriculum. Curriculum maps in language and written expression can be customized to the genre of writing required by your state as well as grammar and language skills. Plans can also be customized to provide books and materials that address the cultural diversity of your school population.