

# Alabama Educators Win Local Trainer Award

*Trainers' efforts led to dynamic shifts in teachers' practices*

*July 10, 2017* – The team of Angela Belrose, Juliana Coleman and Michelle Landrum of Jefferson County School District in Alabama won the Outstanding LDC Local Trainer Award from the Southern Regional Education Board. They were honored at SREB's College- and Career-Readiness Standards Networking Conference July 10 in Nashville, Tennessee.

The award recognizes trainers who support implementation of LDC teaching strategies by observing classrooms, providing effective feedback, and assisting teachers and principals with these research-based literacy tools. This team set the standard for working with teachers and school leaders to spread LDC in large districts. They created a supportive and collaborative culture not only for themselves, but for all Jefferson County teachers. Many of the teachers they supported scored well on district teacher evaluations in student engagement, establishing a culture for learning and engaging students in standard-based instruction.

SREB's College- and Career-Readiness Standards Networking Conference brings together educators to learn and improve classroom strategies with the Literacy Design Collaborative and the Mathematics Design Collaborative frameworks. LDC and MDC have re-energized thousands of teachers by creating a collaborative environment that builds teacher confidence and student learning. SREB helps schools adopt these strategies through planning, training and coaching. The 2017 conference, the fifth annual, was held in Nashville, Tennessee, July 10-12.

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