Ascend Math Model School Program

**Purpose:** Educators across the nation are achieving amazing results helping students who struggle with math get back on track quickly. These leaders are turning their schools around. Each has made Ascend Math an important part of their math intervention program. The Ascend Math Model School Program is created to honor these implementations and hold them up as models for others. One thing they have in common is implementing their program with fidelity and integrity. The importance of implementing well cannot be overstated. By celebrating the success of dedicated educators who go the extra mile it is our hope that all will see the value and achieve success for more students.

**Program Eligibility**
Schools that are proven master implementers of Ascend Math are eligible. These schools regularly set goals and use data to monitor progress and improve upon their success. Many come up with best practices of their own. All are getting great results. Schools that have already successfully used Ascend Math for more than a year may be asked to participate. Schools just starting out with Ascend are asked to sign an agreement of intention to implement according to the Master Implementation Checklist and verify after a minimum of one semester that they have continued to implement according to the guidelines set out in this document.

Additional conditions of eligibility for schools:
- Multiple teachers/classes using Ascend Math.
- At a minimum 50 students enrolled and/or 15% of school population.
- Usage consistent with school’s specific goals.
- Getting desired results as defined by objectives set forth by the Principal at the beginning of their use.
- Committed to continuing to implement with fidelity.

**Program Benefits**
Turning the lives of struggling students around is a definite cause for celebration. The details of their success should be shared with their community and with other educators who can benefit from their knowledge and experience. The benefits of this program are structured to support both.

Model School Benefits
- Celebration Banner to hang inside or outside school.
- Press Release honoring the school’s achievement
- Logo to put on school’s website
- School featured on Ascend Education website and Facebook site in Model School honor roll.
- Educators invited to Best Practice Forums and Special Events (Breakfasts, expense-paid speaking engagements, on-site events.

**Summary:** Each Model School will be reviewed annually. Honors will continue with each year’s accomplishments. It is intended that the program continue to develop and expand with the input from the Model Educators themselves. This is their program and they will have a strong say in how it works.
Model School
Statement of Intent

We agree to implement Ascend Math according to the fidelity guidelines we have identified. It is our intention to achieve the following goals:

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Signatures (In addition to the Principal, all educators using Ascend Math should sign.)

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Principal                                                  Model School Program Manager
                                                     Ascend Education
Model School Agreement

I verify that my school has implemented the Ascend Math program in the manner defined below:

- Our school regularly sets goals for our Ascend Math program.
- Our educators regularly review Ascend’s reports and use the data to monitor progress.
- Our efforts are achieving the desired results.
- We intend to continue implementing Ascend Math with fidelity—now and through the next school year.
- We are committed to sharing best practices with other users of Ascend Math so that they too can achieve the success we have experienced.

As a Model School, we will receive the recognition and benefits laid out in the program description. I agree to allow Ascend Education to share information of our success with others.

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Principal Model School Program Manager
Ascend Education

In the space below please include any best practices you would like to share with others: