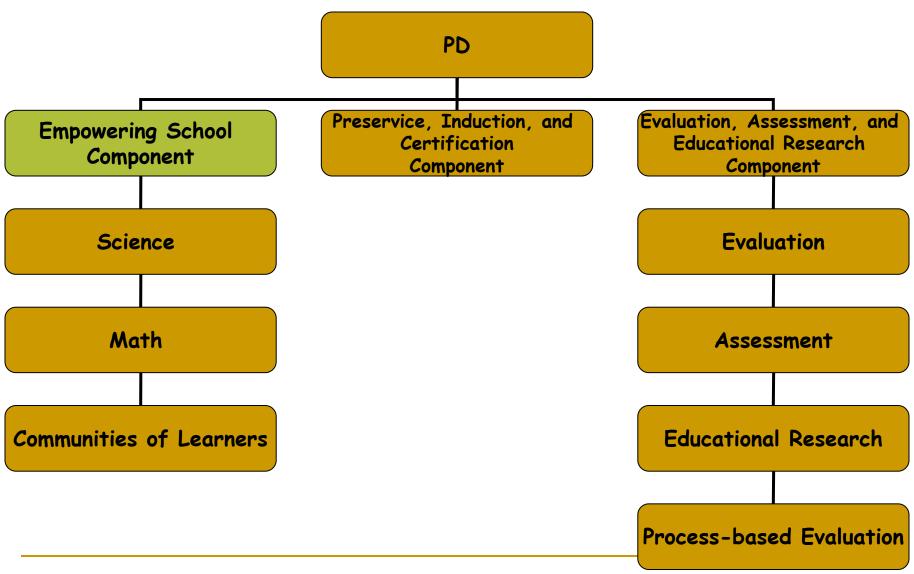
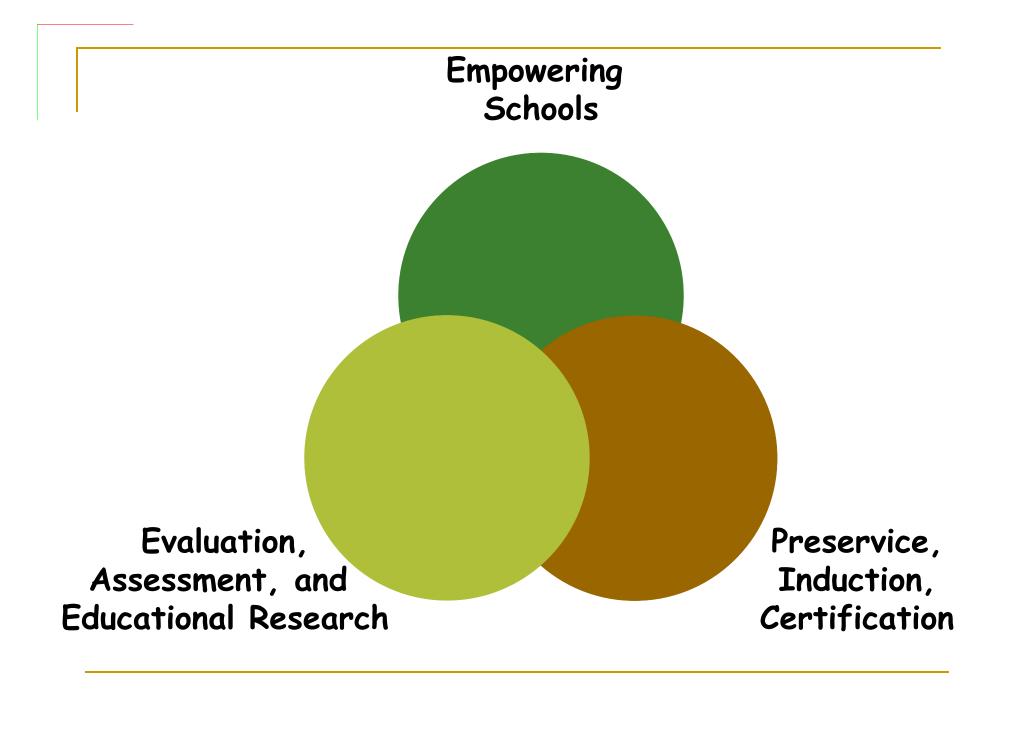
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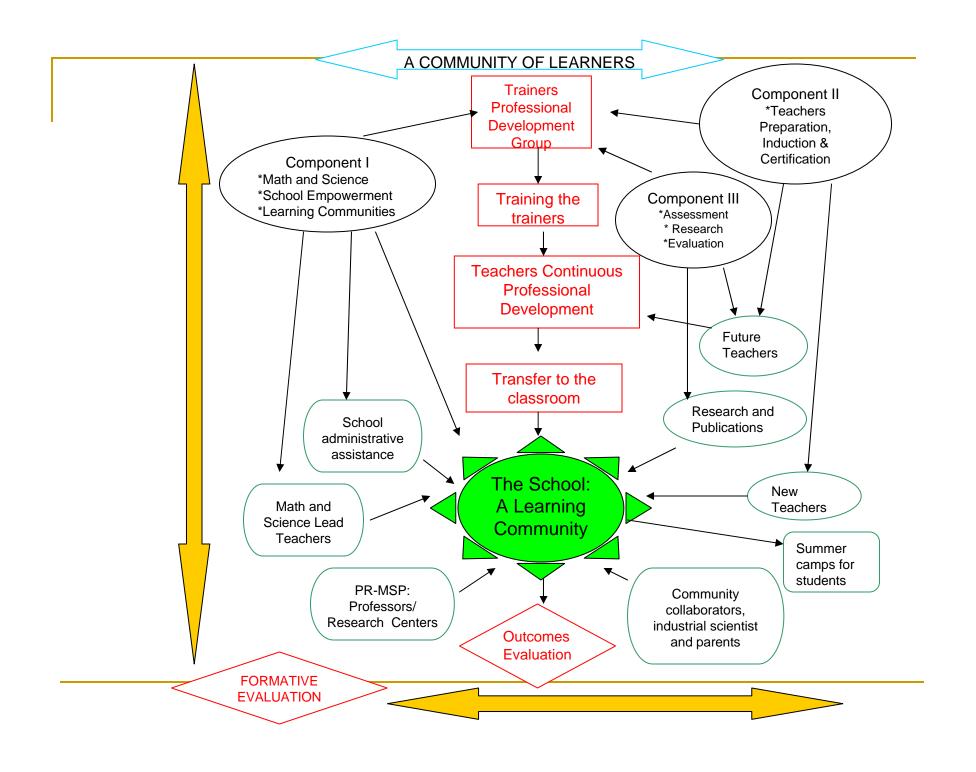
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Organizational Structure







Goal 1: Higher student achievement through challenging curricula and teacher empowerment

- Constitution of the working teams
- Selection of the first cohort of schools
- Participation of K-12 teachers from first cohort of schools in PD summer workshops
- Participation of M & S faculty in teachers' PD and curricular materials' selection or creation
- Schools established as a community of learners

Progress toward Goal 1 Constitution of the working teams

- a Team Leader
- a representative from each of the Core Institutions
- One representative from the Supporting Partners
- At least one representative from the PR Department of Education

Progress toward Goal 1 Selection of first cohort of schools

- Preparation of the selection criteria by a group of PRMSP staff (Learning communities subcomponent) and PR Department of Education.
- Four one day orientation activities for candidate K-12 schools
- A group of 161 schools was selected

Year Two Implementation Plan An overview

- A School Empowerment Strategy is promoting the development of participating schools as communities of learners who provide effective learning environments for all students.
- The Instructional Design Model is preparing teachers to develop and implement curricular innovations in the classroom.

Implementation Activities Cohort 1

 Continue the PD program related to the process of cultural change and the formation of the communities of learners.

 Continuous intensive and extensive follow up of the professional development workshops for M&S teachers.

Implementation Activities Cohort 1

- Other professional development modalities
 - Face to face meetings and trainings
 - Teleconferencing and live-net meetings
 - Schools and inter schools teachers study groups
 - One on one advising, synchronous and asynchronous discussion groups
 - Collaborative action research

Implementation Activities Cohort 2

- 131 schools from all the 4 zones will be selected.
- Start the creation of communities of learners
- Offer the Summer PD program during two weeks in June 2005

Implementation Activities

- Establishment of the 30 Regional M&S Resource Centers
 - The schools will be selected, established and fully equipped.
 - The Math & Science Resources website will be started as a pilot in 2005.
 - Resource Teachers at each of the 30 Resources Centers start special training program in 2005.