

Getting Ready for the Indistar Summit in Albuquerque

We are less than three weeks away from greeting everyone on Sunday, March 23, in Albuquerque. Registration has exceeded past years, so we have a large group of friends to greet. We are packing a lot into a couple days, including time for state teams to meet and consider how they can achieve high-quality implementation (by state, districts, and schools) to gain measurable results. As the Summit is sponsored by the Center on Innovations in Learning, we hope to stimulate some innovative thinking.

To prepare for the Summit, please read the attached five documents:

- Indistar: People, Implementation, Performance
- Implementation and Results
- Indistar as Innovation
- The Logic of School Improvement, Turnaround, and Innovation
- The *Something Other*

One more assignment: Please view the 14-minute video, *The Indistar Leadership Team*, on the link at <http://www.indistar.org/app/>

In viewing the video, jot a few notes about the following “look fors”:

1. How is a continuous improvement process different from a static, annual plan?
2. How does the Leadership Team maintain its focus on improving professional practice?
3. What is the role of the Process Manager?
4. How is the work of the Leadership Team distributed and communicated to stakeholders to engage everyone in improving professional practice?

We will discuss the “look fors” at the Summit, so come prepared.

See you in Albuquerque!