

# SYCAMORE HIGH SCHOOL NEWS RELEASE



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Re: Professional Learning Community (PLC)

Sycamore High School will begin the implementation of Professional Learning Communities on Thursday, October 21, 2010. From this day forward on Thursdays, the school day at Sycamore High School will begin at 8:45 am. The cafeteria and the library will be available to students who arrive at the normal times to use for study groups. Transportation will run at the normal times on these days. Remember, this change in start time will only affect Thursdays.

Professional Learning Communities focus on three questions:

- 1) What do we want our students to learn?
- 2) How do we know when students learn?
- 3) What do we do if they haven't learned?

Sycamore School District is hosting a community forum on Wednesday, October 13, 2010, at 7:00 pm in order to explain the PLC program and how our students will benefit. This program will be held in the high school auditorium.

Professional Learning Communities (PLC) provide teachers an opportunity to work on curriculum alignment, common assessments, interventions and enrichment for our students, all for the purpose of improving student learning. Teachers at all levels of District 427 will participate in PLC's during planning times, although only Sycamore High School will have the later start time. If you would like to find out more about PLCs, go to [www.allthingsplc.com](http://www.allthingsplc.com) or [www.solution-tree.com](http://www.solution-tree.com). If you have any additional questions, please contact Sycamore High School.

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