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Literacy Design Collaborative Announces Partnership with Generation Ready to Provide Professional Development Services Nationwide

Organizations Leverage Their Expertise to Provide Instructional Support for K–12 Educators

New York, NY – December 8, 2014 – The [Literacy Design Collaborative](#) (LDC) national organization has announced a partnership with [Generation Ready](#), one of the leading providers of professional learning and school improvement services. LDC is a teacher-created instructional framework that transforms educator practice through the use of online tools and resources that facilitate collaboration, content development, and professional learning to effectively implement College and Career Readiness Standards in K–12 classrooms.

Last month, the U.S. Department of Education selected LDC from among hundreds of applicants as one of only four highest-rated applications for the U.S. Department of Education's [Investing in Innovation \(i3\)](#) 2014 competition aimed at validating proven innovative approaches to improving student achievement and scaling effective strategies nationwide. According to LDC Executive Director Chad Vignola, i3 grant dollars will be used to support intensive LDC implementations involving thousands of teachers in New York City (NYCDOE) and Los Angeles Unified (LAUSD) school districts.

Generation Ready offers 20 years of experience working side by side with individuals and teams of teachers across the country providing real-time feedback and demonstrating instructional strategies in classrooms. The partnership with LDC ensures capacity across the country to support effective LDC implementations. Generation Ready joins a panoply of existing approved LDC provider organizations. See [LDC Partners](#).

"We are excited that the Generation Ready team has joined the LDC fold as an approved organization to provide LDC training across the country," says Mr. Vignola. "Generation Ready comes with decades of expertise in supporting teachers' ability to accelerate students' mastery of instructional standards. We are

eager to support Generation Ready's incorporation of LDC into its coaching repertoire.”

Generation Ready CEO Justin Serrano explains, “Generation Ready has been helping teachers raise their practice for years, including providing crucial support to hundreds of schools focused on meeting the instructional challenges of the CCSS. LDC provides an exceptional set of tools to bolster our work and connect it to a network of educators around the country.”

Leveraging an expanding network of literacy partners, LDC fosters sustainable growth of its Community of Practice through efficient and productive collaboration for educators across 50 states. National partners include state education departments, national research institutions, national labor unions, teacher-practitioners, school and district leaders, and other teacher training service providers.

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About the Literacy Design Collaborative

The Literacy Design Collaborative is a national community of professional educators working together to prepare students for college and the 21st century workplace. LDC, with generous support from the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation, delivers proven, teacher-designed tools and resources to help students meet and exceed College and Career Readiness Standards. www.LDC.org

About Generation Ready

Generation Ready is a leading provider of teacher and leader professional learning services that combine deep instructional job-embedded expertise, innovative technology tools, and a targeted digital content library that ensures sustained professional growth and improved student learning. For the past 20 years, its primary focus has been improving instructional practice in the classroom. www.generationready.com.