

# Professional Development Resources

Check out this sampling of organizations for more information on how to build a better faculty through the use of technology:

## ASCD

The Association for Supervision and Curriculum Development offers interactive, multimedia courses that include activities, supplemental reading materials, and access to a learner forum. <http://pdonline.ascd.org> or call 800-933-2723 (press 2).

## ASSET

Arizona School Services through Educational Technology is a web-based portal for professional development aligned with Arizona's academic standards. Though created for Arizona and based at Arizona State University, the nonprofit is open to working with outside groups. [www.asset.asu.edu](http://www.asset.asu.edu) or call 480-965-1004

## CaseNEX

Developed by the University of Virginia, CaseNEX offers a technologically blended, case-based approach to professional development. Multimedia, web-based examples encourage participants to reflect on what works and to collaborate on designing solutions to instructional challenges. [www.casenex.com/index.html](http://www.casenex.com/index.html) or call 866-817-0726

## Co-nect

The Co-nect Exchange is a password-protected web site providing 24/7 access to professional development content, including self-paced learning modules, lesson plans and rubrics in language arts, math, and science, assessment tools, and a library of more than 1,000 award-winning, field-tested projects aligned to standards. [www.co-nect.net](http://www.co-nect.net) or call 877-726-6328 ext. 3186 or e-mail [info@co-nect.net](mailto:info@co-nect.net)

## Curriculum Associates

Curriculum Associates' e-Training for Teachers offers free, online professional development tutorials on a variety of subjects including differentiated learning and literacy. The site also offers live help during school hours. <http://curriculumassociates.com> or call 800-223-0248

## PLATO Learning

PLATO Learning combines teacher-directed lessons and interactive computer-based exercises with daily practice in the PLATO Focus Reading & Language Program. [www.plato.com](http://www.plato.com)

## Scholastic Red

Scholastic Red offers reading courses that blend online and face-to-face learning for K-12 educators with several offerings. [www.scholasticred.com](http://www.scholasticred.com)

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