



**Brent International School Manila is proud to offer the
EARCOS sponsored weekend workshop:**

COMMON ASSESSMENTS FROM START TO FINISH

Presented by Jennifer Sparrow

Saturday September 3, 2011 (8:00-3:30)
and Sunday September 4, 2011 (8:00-3:30)

Overview:

Understanding by Design. Developing and using rubrics. Balanced assessment systems. Using data results. Differentiation. Professional Learning Communities. These are all buzz words in education today for a good reason – each one has been shown to have a positive impact on learning. Unfortunately in practice they are often seen as “one more thing to do,” resulting in initiative fatigue. One approach that helps all of these areas develop is to integrate the implementation of these initiatives under one umbrella goal: Common Formative Assessments.

During this workshop, participants will deepen understanding of how to:

- use Common Formative Assessments to integrate unit planning, balanced assessment approaches, quality rubrics, using data results to inform instructional decisions, and professional learning communities;
- develop quality assessment tasks and associated rubrics (or refine ones that already exist);
- use rubrics to balance assessment practices;
- analyze results of common assessments to inform instructional decisions; and
- support common formative assessments through Professional Learning Communities.

Schedule:

Day	Session	Topic
Saturday, September 3	8:00-9:00	Overview of Common Formative Assessments (CFA) – How Powerful Practices Work Together
	9:00-10:30	Quality Assessment Tasks
	10:30-10:45	Break
	10:45-12:15	Quality Rubrics
	12:15-1:15	Lunch
	1:15-3:30	Using Rubrics to Balance Assessment Practices

Sunday, September 4	8:00-10:30	Using Results to Inform Instruction
	10:30-11:30	Break (w/ optional Chapel)
	11:30-1:00	Supporting CFA through PLC
	1:00-1:30	Lunch
	1:30-3:30	Planning for Action

Target Audience:

Teams of administrators and/or teachers who are interested in using data from Common Formative Assessments to drive decisions that focus on improving student learning. Individuals who are participating will be grouped as a “team” during analysis activities.

Requirement:

Select a subject area and grade level to target. Bring relevant curriculum documents and any existing unit plans, assessment tasks, and/or rubrics. If this information is not available, presenter will have a sample set you can select from.

About the Presenter:

Jennifer Sparrow is the Director of Assessment and Educational Data at Singapore American School. After thirteen years as a middle school teacher and six years as a school-wide administrator, Jennifer has firsthand experience with how data can help administrators and teachers work "smarter, not harder." Because of her background, Jennifer is able to give practical advice for engaging teams of administrators, teacher leaders, and teachers in analyzing data at various levels and for various purposes. She is certified as a trainer for the Data-Driven Decision-Making Protocol and Data Team process (Douglas Reeves) as well as a trainer for Data Retreats (Judy Sargent). Additionally, she has done extensive training in Using Data to Improve Student Learning and developing School Portfolios (Victoria Bernhardt).

Logistics:

- Please complete the attached registration form and return to Brent International School no later than August 26, 2011. Registration is limited to a maximum of 60 participants and spaces will be reserved in the order in which they are received (please see attached registration form).
- Graduate credit will be available through Buffalo State, State University of New York.
- Participants are responsible for booking their own accommodation. Rooms have been reserved at Parque Espana. Please contact the hotel directly and indicate that you will be attending the Brent workshop. Transportation will be provided for participants staying in Parque Espana.

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 Alabang, Muntinlupa City Philippines
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Registration fee is **USD 50**, inclusive of workshop materials, two lunches and refreshments. Please make check payable to Brent International School Manila. Payment should be submitted with your registration.

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