

# SMCAA Instructional Coach Cohort 2026-2027

What does it mean to be an Instructional Coach?

What is my job description?

What am I supposed to be doing?

How do I get started?

How can I work with questions?

What skills do I need to work on?

How do I get staff to listen?

How can I work alongside building administrators?





Who can I ask for questions?

## Why Join the Cohort?

New & Veteran Coaches | Group of like minds to share new ideas | For those new to the role or experienced needing support | Explore the role and the world of instructional coaching with SMCAA staff & colleagues.



## Event Details

-  Short "one-on-one" get-to-know-you virtual session
-  Quarterly full day virtual meetings/trainings
-  Two 1-on-1 coaching meetings during the year
-  All meetings recorded | Receive recording after each meeting

Note: Topics may be adjusted based on needs.



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## 2026-2027 Meeting Schedule

Date	Time	Focus Areas	
July/August	Scheduled	Scheduled Individual "get to know you" short sessions and to gather questions/topics	
		<b>Focus Areas</b>	
Session One: Sept 23, 2026	9am - 2pm	Duties Associated with the IC Role, Influence without Authority, Overview of Observation and Feedback, RSP's, What about Data?	
		<b>Focus Areas</b>	
Session Two: Dec 9, 2026	9am - 2pm	Observation and Feedback for Curriculum Fidelity, MAP/EOC discussions, Study on the coaches' work in instruction and formative assessment	<b>Coaching Sessions</b> As scheduled
		<b>Focus Areas</b>	
Session Three: Feb 10, 2027	9am - 2pm	Adjusting approach to common planning time and data meetings, Planning summer months, Gathering data, Curriculum updates, Staff training	<b>Coaching Sessions</b> As scheduled
		<b>Focus Areas</b>	
Session Four: April 28, 2027	9am - 2pm	Calendars and schedules, Planning for next year, Resource adoption?	

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