# Helping Teachers Through In-Service Programs



### **Topics of Discussion**

- Definition of Staff
  Development
- Supervisor's Role in In-service Training
- Issues in In-Service
  Education

- Characteristics of Effective In-Service Programs
- A Model for In-Service Education
- Guided Practice

#### Staff Development A Definition --Peter Oliva

"A program of organized activities of both a group and individual nature planned and carried out to promote the personal and professional growth of staff members..."

# Supervisors' Roles in In-Service Education P. Oliva

♦ Stimulate Teachers

- Identify Teachers' In-Service Needs
- Plan, Set into
  Operation, Evaluate

- Direct the
  Development of the
  Master Plan
- Record Teachers' Success

### Issues in In-Service P. Oliva

- ◆ Is it necessary?
- ◆ Is it effective?
- What kinds are best?
- What should be the thrust?
- What is the role of theory?
- For whom should it be geared?

- What is the proper focus?
- What plan should be used?
- What activities should be included?
- How can teachers be enticed?
- ♦ Who should control it?

### Effective In-Service Education In-service education should be:

- Designed so that programs are integrated into the organization.
- Designed to result in collaborative programs.
- Grounded in the needs of the participants.

- Responsive to changing needs.
- Accessible to all participants.
- Evaluated over time and be compatible with the underlying philosphy and approach of the school.

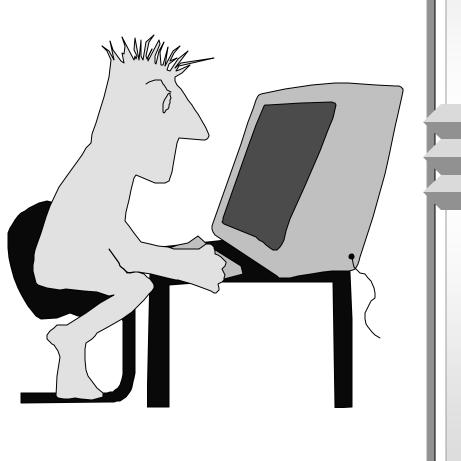
## Planning Phase

Establish Committee

♦ Identify Needs

♦ Rank Needs

◆ Design Plan

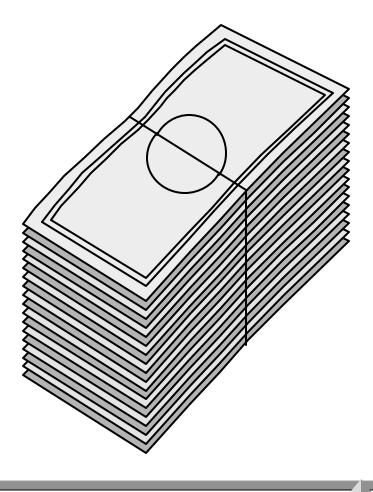


### Implementation

- Formal University Courses
- Locally Developed Courses/Modules
- ♦ Workshops
- Conferences

- Supervision of Student Teachers
- Visiting Days
- ♦ Approval Travel
- ♦ Use of Consultants

### **Incentives For Participation**



- ◆ Released Time
- ♦ In-Service Credits
- Financial Support for Courses