The *Alabama Best Practices Center* (ABPC), in partnership with the Alabama State Department of Education, facilitates high-quality, network-based, collaborative professional learning. Our networks have **proven success in improving student achievement in math and reading** for participating schools. In its 20 years, ABPC has served 116 of the state’s 139 districts, including Jefferson County, Huntsville, Mobile, Montgomery, and Tuscaloosa—in all, more than 400,000 of Alabama’s 740,000 students. Our team supports and facilitates professional learning based on the research-based principles of adult learning.

**Network Options: Teachers and Leaders**

The **Key Leaders Network (KLN)** connects district and school leaders statewide to challenge each other to raise expectations and foster effective practices for leadership, teaching, and learning in their schools. There are 7 regional networks across the state. We will explore concepts of coherence by using *Leading a High Reliability School, by Marzano et al.*, as the guiding text. This year, KLN will focus on giving leaders the strategies for fostering district and school cultures where their educators will feel empowered to confidently address “unfinished learning.”

The **Powerful Conversations Network (PCN)** is a statewide professional learning opportunity where teachers collaborate to hone their knowledge and skills as they seek new and better ways to engage their students and improve student achievement. There are 6 regional networks across the state. Marzano’s *The New Art and Science of Teaching* will be the guiding text. The learning will be actionable with effective instructional strategies that reach all students. Like in the past, social and emotional learning will be heavily integrated throughout the learning.

**Program Components**

For the 2021-2022 school year, we will offer our networks a blended learning structure with both in-person and virtual meetings. There will also be the option of a fully-virtual network for those who cannot attend any in-person meetings. Meetings will offer:

- Synchronous and asynchronous virtual learning
- Intentional networking of teachers from across the state
- Two full-day, in-person meetings with colleagues from across your region within your network
- Responsiveness and flexibility to meet district and school needs throughout the year
- ALSDE CEU’s awarded upon completion
- ACLD approved PLUs awarded to those who meet the meeting requirements

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