

Understanding *Wit & Wisdom's* Design: Writing



PROFESSIONAL COACHING

ESSENTIAL QUESTION: How does *Wit & Wisdom*® help students harness the power of writing?

This session is for school and district leaders.

Goals

- Learn about the backward design process teacher-writers used to construct the writing instruction in *Wit & Wisdom*.
- Understand the reciprocal connection between knowledge and writing.
- Learn about *Wit & Wisdom's* writing models and Craft Stages and how they scaffold writing instruction for all students.
- See how *Wit & Wisdom* assesses writing.

AGENDA 3 HOURS	DESCRIPTION
I. Welcome	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Learn the session goals, agenda, and norms.
II. Writing Analysis	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Develop a shared understanding of the characteristics of effective student writing.
III. Research Review	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Examine representative research on backward design approach to writing.
IV. Content—Writing to Learn	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Explore <i>Wit & Wisdom's</i> approach to using writing as a tool for learning.
V. Craft—Learning to Write	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Examine <i>Wit & Wisdom's</i> approach to teaching writing.
VI. The Craft Stages	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Explore the stages that guide writing instruction in <i>Wit & Wisdom</i>.
VII. Create	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Learn how <i>Wit & Wisdom's</i> approach to writing instruction supports students in communicating ideas effectively.
VIII. Closing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reflect on the session's learning. • Provide feedback.