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Thank you all for the outstanding work you did at the VPSC conference!

From this conference each of you created a unit plan. You developed course outlines for each grade level and created a science/math coordination document that Sue and Donna will send out as soon as they've proofed it.

I also heard great comments about the conference and the consultants:

- This is the first time I've been treated so well at a conference.
- I understand MYP so much better now.
- This conference provided us with time to work with those in our departments, which is especially important now that the district has done away with teams and common planning time for departments.
- I learned things about my coworkers that I never knew before and I have a new understanding and appreciation for them!

- The consultants were so laid back – they didn't come to the conference to tell us the "right" way to do things; they just shared what worked for them.
- They made asking questions and requesting clarification so comfortable.
- They made it clear as they circulated that they were available to help but they didn't hover.
- They were so willing to share the items they had developed.
- They made us feel as though we had something to contribute, too. I'm sharing a unit I created with the consultant and the consultant is sharing a unit with me!

Many of you worked until very late in the afternoon, well after working hours, and then resumed working at dinner and in the evening.

I am so impressed with all of you and I greatly appreciate our consultants, Don and Clarissa. They were perfect, and I am so glad they were willing to work together with our staff.

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