

# Presentations that engage, inspire and challenge educators to perform at their highest level

## **S.T.A.R. POWER (Successful Teaching for the Acceptance of Responsibility)**

Encourage your students to become increasingly responsible for their school and life experiences by giving them tools to gain personal power and better understand their behavior and get them to give up the “victim stance”. You will discover ways to encourage students to make good decisions on their own, eliminate troublesome behavior, and become empowered. As you learn to mentor, model, coach, and facilitate responsible actions in your students, you will also develop increasing responsibility and personal power in your own professional practice.

## **Successful Cooperative Learning**

Cooperative learning has been shown to increase student achievement and raise test scores. However, many teachers get very frustrated when trying to implement it. How do you deal with the student that won't work or the student who wants to take over the entire project? How do you create cooperative learning activities that blend with course content? This workshop provides a practical approach to dealing with the problem areas of cooperative learning. Teachers will leave this day with enthusiasm and a powerful new teaching tool.

## **Motivating the Reluctant Learner**

Few things can be as frustrating as putting a lot of work into your instruction only to see some students slumped into their chairs, arms folded, with a disengaged look in their eye—or worse—becoming behavior problems. Discover what causes kids to “tune out” and see how to tune them back in—in a BIG way! You will learn ways to stimulate student engagement and achievement. Participants in this fun and active session will leave with a better perspective on those students, and have a better sense for how they can meet the student's needs.

## **Presenting as a Performing Art**

Are you looking for ways to put a POP into your current presentations or for ideas for a presentation you need to make? This workshop will provide you with practical information to develop and deliver exciting and effective presentations. Topics include developing a presentation format, finding and using powerful openings, establishing rapport, and knowing the right way to bring a session to a successful close.

## **Other Workshops and Presentations Include:**

Mentoring and Peer Coaching  
Team Building and Learning  
Differentiated Instruction  
Motivation  
Professional Learning Communities  
Teacher Leadership  
Communication Skills  
Activity-Based Instruction  
Brain Compatible Learning  
Critical Thinking Skills

**Contact Steve Sassaman for a workshop, in-service, keynote, or consultation.  
Presentations can be tailor-made on a wide variety of topics.**



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## Steve Sassaman

Steve Sassaman is a dynamic and energetic presenter with a great sense of humor and a master at getting people involved and excited about their chosen profession. His experience is broad and deep. He has been a teacher, a coach, an administrator, a professor in graduate teacher education programs, and very involved in professional development. Steve delivers keynote addresses, professional development training and coaching assistance for teachers in their classrooms. Steve served as Lead Consultant of the New Teacher/Mentor Program through the Delaware State Department of Education, designing programming and delivering coaching training for all Delaware school districts. Steve was also the lead restructuring consultant for the Central Western Region of the Philadelphia School District. In addition, he acted as consultant—training instructional coaches for the Salem/Keizer School District in Salem OR, and currently works with various school systems to deliver long-term professional development.

Steve has conducted professional development throughout the United States in Florida, Georgia, Kansas, Indiana, California, Minnesota, New York, New Jersey, Maryland, Pennsylvania, North Carolina, and Vermont. He has worked internationally with teachers from Western Africa and in Canada. Most recently, Steve trained educators of the ORAV Foundation in Istanbul, Turkey. He has also presented workshops at state and national professional development and administrator conferences such as National Staff Development Council, National Career Academy Coalition, and SREB in their High Schools that Work Program.

Steve enjoys working with teachers at all grade levels and he is passionate about the power teachers possess to influence students. Those who have taken his trainings find Steve to be an informative, enthusiastic and fun presenter.

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