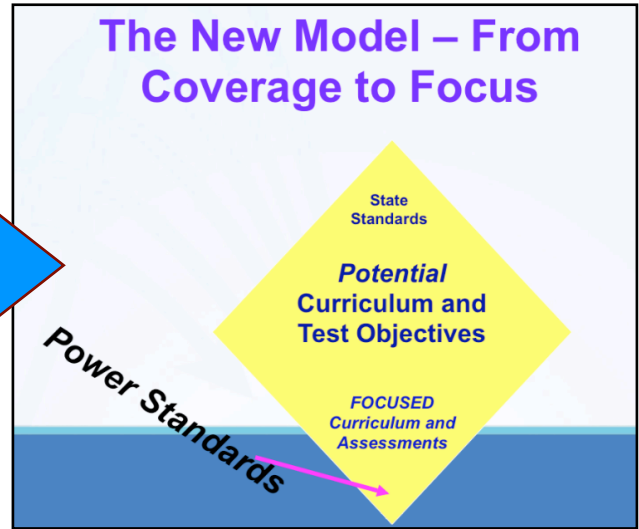
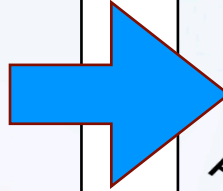
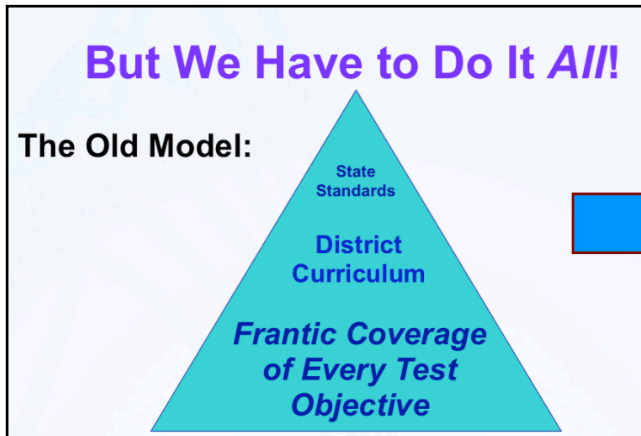


“POWER STANDARDS”



What are Power Standards?

Simply stated, Power Standards are those standards that, once mastered, give a student the ability to use reasoning and thinking skills to learn and understand other curriculum objectives. I am a firm believer that the depth of a lesser number of **key** concepts and skills are preferable to “covering” superficially **every** concept in the book.

Given the limited time you have with your students, curriculum design has become more and more an issue of deciding what you won’t teach as well as what you will teach. **You cannot do it all.** As a designer, you must choose the essential standards.

Let’s start learning what knowledge and skills do this year’s students need so they will enter next year’s class with confidence and a readiness for success. To do this, we will:

1. Identify which standards are critical for our students to know and understand
2. Identify which standards – according to our state assessment data – that need to be emphasized
3. Identify which standards represent concepts and skills that **endure**.

I am confident that you will enjoy this process and even more excited about the end product.

Please join me for two compelling evenings of collaboration and decision making.

Stephen M. Ventura

Training Dates: Monday, Nov. 17th (Room US 1) & Tuesday, Nov. 18th (Room US 2), 2008

Time: 5:30 pm - 9:00 pm

Location: University Square, 2020 “K” Street, Bakersfield, CA

