What is Reading Apprenticeship (RA)?

“…to reach the higher levels of literacy for all of our students, we need to embrace a vision of intellectually and personally engaged academic literacy for the inexperienced but capable students we serve. To move toward making this vision a reality, we must strengthen students' view of themselves and their capacities as readers and learners-while helping them build their skills in thing-level literacy. We must transform subject area classes into collaborative, inquiry-oriented learning environments that intellectually engage, challenge, and support students.” Schoenbach, Greenleaf, Murphy: Reading for Understanding p. 15

Stay Tuned for Video Clip of Students Speak About RA at the Spring Summit 2015

At West's Spring Summit on Feb. 6, there was a breakout session, “Students Speak About Reading Apprenticeship.” The session was recorded and will be shared. The session description is below:

West has a Reading Apprenticeship Focused Inquiry Group that has been meeting each month. But what do students think of RA routines such as 'Talking to the Text', 'Think Aloud' and "Student set class norms'? Come hear a panel of cross disciplinary students speak about their reading and their experiences with Reading Apprenticeship.
RA NEWS!

We have received a three-year grant to support faculty training in Reading Apprenticeship for STEM. We are part of a team of 100 founding members throughout the state of California. This is the Reading Apprenticeship Community College STEM Network (RACCSN). Faculty will enhance STEM instruction through a focus on academic literacy and metacognitive conversation for the next several years.

The grant will cover training costs for STEM faculty. More faculty will be brought into the grant in year 2 and year 3!

Congratulations to:

- Math: Chair, Matt Robertson
- Aviation: Chair, Jack Moy
- Allied Health: Yervant Boghos and Juan Carlos Castillo
- Film Production: Betty Goldberg
- Learning Center: Tim Russell
- Project Participating Dean: Mary-Jo Apigo

Matt Robertson and Jack Moy will both attend the Reading Apprenticeship Winter Conference at Wested Feb. 5th and 6th

We will also have focused FIG meetings for STEM grant faculty TBA.

Reading Apprenticeship 101 Online Course
March 23 to May 1

Please register at http://www.wested.org/service/reading-apprenticeship-101-for-community-college-instructors-online-course/

You can receive Cal State East Bay credit for salary points if you choose. It is good to take this course while you are teaching. Please let Nancy Sander know if you have registered, or plan to register for this course.