Table Talk Questions Related to Professional Development

Choose one or two questions from this worksheet to discuss in depth with people at your table. We’d like to collect this page back with your response(s) to questions so we can improve and expand the Professional Development Standards document.

Motivating the Need for PD Standards

With respect to the Framework, what are the most pressing learning needs of:

- teachers?
- school and district leaders?
- professional development providers?

What are the biggest challenges with respect to creating a robust system for professional development in your state that helps bring standards, curriculum, and assessment into alignment?
The Content of the Standards Document

Which draft professional development standards....

Best reflect your understanding from research and the wisdom of practice? (Pick 2-3, discuss at your table why these)

Are questionable, in terms of their basis in research and practice? (Pick 2-3, discuss at your table why these)

What are some models or examples that could be included in a more extended document?

What are steps that you can take in your role to make “model” programs more widely available in your state and across the states?