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Stephen H. Davidoff, Ed.D is a former Director of Research and Evaluation for the School District of Philadelphia and was accountable for conducting the mandated program evaluations of local, state and federally funded activities and services at school and district levels. He is the CEO and founder of Davidoff Associates, an educational consulting firm that provides program evaluation, data analysis and related school improvement services that are tailored to meet clients' needs.

Through a cooperative relationship with Distinguished Educator, Stephen E. Schwartz (Ed.D) and a variety of highly qualified Associates, services and expertise in teacher evaluation, school planning and school improvement in specific subject areas are available to our clients. As part of our service array, Davidoff Associates also offers: (1) Multivariate analyses which enable our clients to know which factors are contributing to the success of their programs and services – an especially useful feature in “value added” and multi-year program evaluation designs, and (2) a valid and reliable system for selecting appropriate Progress Statements for Common Measures and a method for combining Common Measures into accurate, Objective Level outcome statements. The later procedure is necessary for supporting the judgments cited in the DDOE online Summative Progress Report of the Education Success Planning and Evaluation System (ESPES).

In an era of high stakes accountability, we provide decision-oriented information and services that are technically sound, useful and feasible, thus enabling our clients to achieve their goals. Examples of our services are:

- Design and carry out needs assessments; assist in conduct of school-improvement success planning
- Assess and monitor program implementation and outcomes
- Evaluate programs; analyze and interpret data; report findings
- Provide professional development training programs to enhance district/school capabilities in:
 - assessment and measurement skills
 - school-based data analysis, interpretation and decision-making
 - designing and implementing internal (self) evaluations
- Identify and/or develop indicators for standards based evaluation systems

Davidoff Associates' goal is to help schools and districts respond to the accountability environment with confidence by providing information, training and assistance that reduces uncertainty. Our cost effective services provide clients with the power of having “their own” research, evaluation and assessment office at fraction of the cost.