

Ty Ankrom's Here's What I Think ...

The ASCD is an international nonprofit education organization for educators that seeks to promote excellence in learning, teaching and leading.



The group has a lot of great resources, such as *Educational Leadership*, a magazine that is published five times a year. Some of the articles are only available to subscribers but many can be accessed on its Web site, www.ascd.org/publications/educational-leadership.aspx.

Another strong resource on ASCD's site is its extensive collection of blogs, available at <http://inservice.ascd.org>.

This link has 380 pages of blogs, listed chronologically going back to 2006.

Topics covered in just the past week include technology in the classroom, multiple intelligences, differentiated instruction, helping students focus, and creating an effective feedback system for students.

With more than 3,400 files, one could get lost going through each page of blog entries.

This is where the search feature on the upper right corner can save time.

Type in the subject on which you'd like more information and it will whittle down those 380 pages to a handful. If you include "blog" in the search, it will limit the results to blogs; leave "blog" off and articles in newsletters and publications will be included.

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ASCD accepts blog submissions from educators. If interested in writing for them, check out their submission guidelines at <http://inservice.ascd.org/write-for-inservice/>.

Another resource that I found while on ASCD's blog site is the BAM Radio Network (www.bam-radionet.com).

It was created in 2007 by early childhood professionals and has grown to include a network of programming from education organizations and leaders.

More than two dozen of ASCD's blogs are audio files that are hosted on the network's site. They can be accessed through Google Chrome or by subscribing on iTunes.

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