

ASCD IN ACTION

AN ASCD FOCUS AREA:

RESTRUCTURING

Restructuring schools is a familiar expression, but what exactly does it mean? To "restructure" is to change the makeup, organization, or pattern of something. But what aspects of schools should be changed? By what means? And into what new forms? To help educators determine their own answers to these questions, ASCD is examining the restructuring of school *governance, organization, and curriculum.*

ASCD provides the following resources, coordinated by Diane Berreth:

- A consortium on restructuring involving 18 schools. Teams from the schools will meet twice yearly for three years. The goal of the consortium is to enable the teams to establish exemplary programs based on research and practice.

- A mini-conference, "Restructuring Schools for Results," November 14-16, 1988, in Alexandria, Virginia.



- Two issues of *Educational Leadership* on restructuring: "Organizing for Results" (October 1988) and "The Future of the Teaching Profession" (November 1988).

In addition, ASCD is developing specialty area standards for

curriculum, instruction, and leadership, with the National Council for Accreditation of Teacher Education (NCATE). These will form the basis of new university guidelines for accreditation of teacher education programs.



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Annual Conference Previews, with program details, preregistration information, housing forms, and reduced airfare arrangements, will be mailed to all ASCD members by early October. If you haven't received your copy by November 1, 1988, call Michelle Kelly. Preregister before February 5, 1989, and your conference program will be mailed to you—no standing in line at the Conference!

For project, product, or conference information, write or call ASCD, 125 N. West St., Alexandria, VA 22314-2798, (703) 549-9110. Switchboard hours are 9-5, Monday through Friday.



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FOR YOUR CALENDAR

Upcoming Annual Conferences
1989, Orlando, March 11-14
1990, San Antonio, March 3-6
1991, San Francisco, March 16-19
1992, New Orleans, March 6-10

Upcoming Mini-Conferences
November 14-16, 1988,
Restructuring Schools for Results, Alexandria, Virginia
December 7-9, 1988, New Trends in Kindergarten Programming, Alexandria, Virginia
April 10-12, 1989, Staff Development Implementation Models, Alexandria, Virginia
August 9-11, 1989, Thinking Skills, Alexandria, Virginia

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