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David Ronka is a Senior Advisor at PCG with an interest in helping educators meet the growing demands and complexities of providing high quality education to all students. He serves as advisor to PCG's standards-based curriculum, instruction, and professional development work and to the ongoing development and implementation of PCG's Playbook™ for teachers and leaders.

Expertise

- K-12 education
- Data use and management
- Teacher development
- Leadership development
- Curriculum development and management

Experience

Mr. Ronka directed the development of PCG's Paths to College and Career 9-12 ELA curriculum and its translation into a digital curriculum for a blended learning environment. He also directed PCG's implementation of New Jersey's state longitudinal data system (NJ SMART). Prior to joining PCG, Mr. Ronka served for six years in the Navy as a Civil Engineer Corps officer.

Publications

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Education

Mr. Ronka earned his B.A. and B.S. from Tufts University. He earned his Master of Education (Learning and Teaching) from the Harvard Graduate School of Education and served as a member of Harvard's Data Wise Project, a group of researchers and practitioners that works with educators around the world to help them implement effective methods of using data to improve student achievement.

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