## Supporting Evidence-Use in Networked Professional Learning

## **The Purpose**

This study investigated the role of the middle leader in supporting teachers' use of researchand classroom-based evidence within the context of collaborative professional learning.



## The Study

30 middle leaders

72 teachers

Data were collected from 30 middle leaders (i.e., system facilitators) and 54 teachers (36 Primary/Junior school teachers and 18 Intermediate/Senior school teachers across the nine school districts.

## **Conclusions**

Four themes across system facilitators and teachers were identified:

- realising the need for data literacy in the construction of classroom evidence
- recognize challenges in evidence use
- middle leaders are pivotal in supporting evidence use
- middle leaders help support changing mindsets about evidence use.



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