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Cathy LaForme is a State Support Team consultant at the Educational Service Center (ESC) of Cuyahoga County. She is responsible for providing support to area school districts as they implement strategies for improving student learning and achievement using the Ohio Improvement Process. Through her work with district and building leadership teams, she provides ongoing, job-embedded professional development and technical assistance in areas such as distributed leadership practices, data-based decision making, focused goal setting, collaborative team structures and practices, and community engagement.

Cathy is a facilitator for the School Wide Information System (SWIS), an online data management system for behavior monitoring and decision making. She provides professional development and technical assistance in the areas of Positive Behavior Support, services for students with disabilities, and Alternate Assessment for students with disabilities. Cathy provides support to school-based occupational and physical therapists in the county through an online news update.

Cathy serves on the State Level Design Team for the Ohio Improvement Process and a state level workgroup for the development of consistent Positive Behavior Support products and tools for professional development and technical assistance throughout the state.

Cathy lives in Summit County with her husband Greg. They have three adult children with spouses, grandchildren and dogs.