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I'll talk about lessons learned in this work and some design principles for creating such communities, principles that have been applied in other settings—the *PCMI Secondary School Teachers Program*, for example. (Received September 20, 2012)