## VISION & GOALS DISCUSSION GUIDE

## Part 1

First things first: It's important to get to know your team members and think about what goals each of you have for your involvement with MTC.

- 1. Why did each member of our team decide to become involved in starting a MTC?
- 2. What does each person see him/herself contributing to this effort?

## Part 2

Now, as you develop your team's vision and goals for your MTC, please consider the following:

- 1. Why are we interested in starting a MTC in our area?
- 2. What specific city or geographic region do we plan to serve? What are the characteristics of this area that we should keep in mind? (For example, is it urban, suburban, or rural? How easily can teachers get to a meeting? What other teacher and/or student enrichment programs are available?)
- 3. Which particular teachers do we hope to reach with our MTC? What grade levels, schools, and/or districts will we focus on?
- 4. What role do we hope our institutions will play in our work with MTCs?
- 5. Overall, what do we see as our biggest assets and challenges in developing our MTC?
- 6. What do we hope to accomplish by starting a MTC? Draft a vision statement that includes specific goals.

## **Conference Call Preparation**

For your conference call with the MTC Network staff, please be ready to share:

- Introductions of your team members and what role they foresee playing in your MTC
- A summary of the context for your MTC, including your biggest challenges and assets
- Your vision statement