

Condensed PLE Navigator: Instructional Clusters & Practices

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Assess

- Help students understand how their learning styles, interests, personalities, and cultural backgrounds influence their learning ☺
- Develop standards based assessments ☺
- Develop objective, subjective, formal, and informal methods to pre-, formatively, and summatively assess students' progress towards mastery ☺☺

Group

- Reserve whole group instruction for setting the scene for learning, making connections to past and future learning, and nurturing community among diverse learners ☺
- Use flexible, differentiated instructional groups to pace learning ☺☺
- Adjust flexible groups as students' personal and academic needs change ☺☺☺

Release

- Gradually release accountable independence to students in proportion to each's ability to manage his/her own learning and behavior ☺☺
- Incorporate independent and interdependent learning ☺
- Use rubrics to guide student work and inquiry, set quality expectations, enable self-assessment, and deliver meaningful feedback from teachers and peers ☺

Culture

- Use rules, procedures, routines, and expectations to:
 - establish an efficient and controlled classroom, ☺
 - nurture independence, and ☺
 - share responsibility with students for managing their learning, behavior, movement, and care for the physical classroom ☺
- Help students resolve their own conflicts ☺
- Celebrate growth and achievement ☺

Plan

Target

- Create learning experiences that will engage students' personal characteristics and target the standards students need to master next ☺☺
- Help students develop, measure, and adjust learning goals ☺☺
- Use learning maps to help students track their mastery and understand how standards guide learning ☺☺
- Wherever possible, create authentic learning opportunities ☺

Implement

Engage

- Be enthusiastic and knowledgeable about learning, students and content ☺☺
- Customize planned activities to fit students' personal characteristics and academic needs ☺☺☺
- Adjust learning activities in response to assessment ☺☺☺
- Give timely and specific feedback ☺☺☺
- Motivate students, recognize effort, and encourage productive struggle ☺☺
- Nurture community through authentic learning as well as student-led sharing, presentations, and discussions ☺
- Summatively assess when students are ready ☺☺

Blend

Integrate technology into learning and communication where it:

- substitutes as a more efficient or effective method, ☺
- enriches the experience, or ☺
- transforms the experience in ways that were not previously possible ☺

Manage

System & Spaces

- Maintain a standards-based system to track students' mastery ☺☺☺
- Create a flexible physical space that enables a variety of simultaneous learning activities and that maximizes students' independence ☺
- Curate a digital space organized around standards that makes learning resources available anytime, everywhere and that enables self-pacing and self-assessment ☺☺



Know the learner

Guide With Standards

Flex the Environment