Building Meaningful Small Groups

Course Syllabus

Course Description

The purpose of this professional development course is to study the effective implementation of small groups within a classroom. Using research behind building small groups and how to implement them effectively, you will leave this course with a plan for building and implementing effective small group instruction within your classroom.

Course Objectives

At the end of this course you should be able to:

- 1. Explain how small group and differentiated instruction can make an impact on students learning
- 2. Understand effective strategies for grouping students
- 3. Describe effective small group work
- 4. Set behavioral expectations for small group work
- 5. Build a plan for implementing small groups
- 6. Evaluate small group instruction

Modules

- Module 1: Small Group Instruction and the Impact on Student Learning, Quiz 1
- Module 2: Effective Grouping of Students, Quiz 2
- Module 3: Effective Small Group Work, Quiz 3
- Module 4: Behavioral Expectations, Quiz 4
- Module 5: Planning Small Groups, Quiz 5
- Module 6: Evaluating Small Groups, Quiz 6

Grading:

Each quiz must be passed at an 80% or higher (retakes allowed).

Format

This is a self-paced, asynchronous (no required live meetings) course. Throughout the PD course, you will find it helpful to take notes along the way to assist with the quizzes. Within each module, you will find reflection assessments that are not graded but will help in your journey through the course.