

Sharing and Problem Solving Solutions

What are some ways you are communicating with and supporting families?

(reply in the box below)

As a coach, I am encouraging teachers to follow up with families who might not be accessing what you want to offer support to them - opening the door to communication.

Zoom office hours, Class Dojo messages and posts, how to videos to explain things, phone calls

We meet them everyday at bluejeans with a stable time. And we collaborate with ESL, counselors and the aides that have worked with them before. To support them and make them feel that they are not alone. That we are here for them always.

Our school has office hours 3x week per grade level including Specialists & SPED, as well as using the REMIND app (try to send one school Remind when possible), and of course phone calls and Zooming. Our principal hosts a weekly family Zoom as well.

Only asking families what they presently need, but not expecting live, real-time communication. Posting messages they can view when they're able.

My school is a meal distribution - site, hand out info to those parents that do not have on-line capabilities but are coming through for meals.

What are some ways we might encourage sense-making (over just answer-getting)?

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Asking math questions with "best" sorts of answers, rather than actual, correct answers.

"Build it! Draw it! Do it!"--use those manipulatives first, then draw your thinking before going to actual number solving problems.

Asking kids to explain their thinking.

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What are some ways you might give & receive feedback on student learning?

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By using schoolwork app we can assign them their work then after a few days we will post the answer sheet so they can do implicit accountability of their work.

Google Docs will allow you to write feedback onto work. I love it when I'm actually "live" with students so we can talk while typing in the feedback.

Ask them to share about what they've learned

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