

1: Personal Greeting at the Door (PGD)

Can Look Like	Why for Students	Why for Adults
 Greet by name Handshake/high five, etc. Eye contact Compliment Entry task Smile Use name Basic "How's it going" Hug Ask questions about them (one-on-one time unique to student not academic) Make amends for the day/period before. Example: "I know today's going to be a better day?" Greeting chart with choices Feelings chart Greet kiddos who come late Personalized handshake 	 Builds trust w/students and teacher Builds interpersonal skills Communication You might be the only friendly face they see that day Provides a feeling of safety and welcome Knowing that someone cares Breakdown barriers Creates a ritual that all students are part of Acknowledges the students' presence and importance A chance to help reset an otherwise "less than ideal" trajectory for the day. 	 Gives you energy Fills your "bucket" Get to know your students Relationship building Quick attendance check Reminders (don't forget your library book) Allows you to connect (smiles raise endorphins!) Get an idea of the mood for the day Set a tone for the class/day/year Restorative Practices, "yesterday wasToday, let's" A chance to help reset an otherwise "less than ideal" trajectory for the day.



- Friz 5
- This or That question linkQuestion Bank doc

2: Learning Target(s) of the Day		
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 Posted on board Posted outside classroom Auditory and visual Kid friendly language Words and/or pictures Posted on sheets/Google Classroom Clear "I can" statements Morning slides Top of assignments and assessments Top of slides Chant or say back If on slides also post/visible somewhere else Pair-share, repeat/discuss learning target and what it looks like for them 	 Kids know the expectations Builds goal-setting opportunities for students They know what standard is being taught, what the checkpoints are for comprehension of the standard which allows goal-setting for the student Know what they are going to be expected to do/learn Executive functioning Students can explain to parents what they are learning Helps parents Builds ownership and buy in Builds success Adds a connection to activity to see end goal Shows a focus point Increase engagement 	 Teacher stays focused Clarity Comfort level Know my path to success Know what I am checking for understanding about Understanding what to refocus on Helps teams have a big picture (vertical alignment) Reasonable expectations Consistency among the grade level Adults KNOW what's happening in the room (specialists and paraprofessionals) Great communication Purpose Reminder Shared common language Accountability



3: SEL Skill of Focus		
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Click this link for LOTS of ideas

- Connection to Second Step lesson of the week
- Specific skill for the engagement task
- Eye contact
- Listening
- Asking a question
- How to Disagree
- Using opinion pieces to build debates that focus on respectful disagreement and understanding of our differing viewpoints
- Posing role play scenarios
- Team IDs and works on (teaches) a current "real" issue
- Creating an environment of safety.
- Showing kids they belong.
- Equity for all.
- Monday check in
- Friday check in/out
- TGIF (something that

- SEL is a learned skill
- Relationships precede competence
- Builds communication & interpersonal skills
- Lifelong skills
- We need to "get along"
- Builds Trust
- Builds Community
- Long term life/social skills
- Trauma helper
- Brings Second Step to Life
- Everyone needs to feel safe and feel like they belong.
- Teaches reflection
- Helps self regulate
- Makes connections
- Kids come together to build cohesiveness
- Helps kids deal with adversity
- Builds resilience
- Ready to learn
- Teaches empathy
- Problem solving/understanding the degree of the problem
- Acceptance of others
- Repair friendships

- SEL is a long term investment and will sae valuable instructional time
- Investment
- Model and Praise
- Lead by Example
- Brings Second Step to Life
- Students are more trusting and will challenge less if they feel important, making our job easier and more effective
- Build relationships with staff and students



TRUST, GRATEFUL, INSPIRED, FUN in the last week) Mindfulness Calm Classroom Game/activity to practice flexibility "Life is Not Fair" game Community Team Building time Speaking with respect toward others Understanding and appreciating differences		
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4: Engagement Task		
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- Kagan strategies
- Hand Up and Pair Up
- Round Robbins
- Merry Go Round Scrabble
- Debates
- Graffitti
- Think-Pair-Share
- Jigsaws
- Turn & Talk
- Fish Bowls
- Any Kagan
- Getting everyone involved
- High interests videos/visuals
- Kids can move around more now
- Novelty tasks
- Small group presentations with peers
- Project based learning
- Peer teaching
- Dice ice breaker
- Student led instruction
- Breaking the daily routine
- Group work
- Project sharing
- Questions of the day

- Those who do the work are doing the learning!
- Active Learning
- Might even be fun
- Research shows major growth in learning
- Increases Understanding
- Builds SEL
- Prepares for real life
- Encourages Problem Solving
- Encourages deeper understanding of standard or task
- Communication skills
- The person doing the work is doing the learning!
- Builds peer relationships
- Relationship building student/teacher
- Have students teach what they know
- Builds confidence
- Get to know classmates
- Articulation
- Receptive/expressive language skills

- Get a clear picture of the class understanding
- Doing Engagement= Learning
- Opportunity to have corrections/questions
- Makes learning/teaching fun! (who wants to be bored teaching or learning?)
- Less work!
- Engagement ↑ classroom management
- Keeps adults engaged
- More time for learning
- Relationship building student/teacher
- Better understanding of who needs assistance
- Get to know students personally/socially



 Brain partners Find someone who Table partners Morning meeting/PM meeting Cooperative learning games Compliment circle Flipgrid 	



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5: Check for Understand	ding	
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 Stanton CFU brainstorm ongoing document! Exit Slip High five a neighbor and tell them what you learned Kagan strategies to use like Fishbowl, Rally Robin and Quiz Quiz Trade. Short content checks using Google form quizzes Observation Partner Discussion Engagement Activities White Board Turn and Talk Fist of Five Red/Green Parking lot/Sticky notes 	 Validates Learning Wrap-up Misconceptions Limits frustrations and prevents giving up Safe to honestly self assess Immediate Feedback Safe environment to not be perfect Helps set goals Teaching empathy Builds positive interaction Builds patience and understanding Communication between students and adults 1 on 1 time 	 Clear is Kind Prevents the "moving on, falling behind" What direction will I take tomorrow Quick Assessment Guides Instruction Helps set goals 1 on 1 for students needing extra time



- "Twitter" Board (leave a tweet of what you learned today
- Asking how the day was
- Listening
- Observe
- Asking questions
- 1 on 1 time
- Thumbs up/down
- Whole group check using blast off/touch down
- Have a heart question of the day (toss a stuffed heart/squishy heart around)
- Reciprocal teaching
- Kahoots!