

STUDENT CENTERED IM Learning Site

@ The King K-6 School

EVENT SUMMARY

Session Overview

On **February 6, 2024** the Telescope Network hosted a Learning Site at the King K-6 School on the topic *"How do we implement IM to create inclusive, student centered math learning experiences?"* Our host teacher was Lirna DePina (Grade 6 Math Teacher @ The King). We had **12** participants join from **8** different BPS schools and offices in this session.



What is a Learning Site?

In a Learning Site, educators come together for a 1/2 day in a real live classroom around a common area of practice. Participants debrief with the host teacher and set goals for their own classrooms. Participants continue the learning through virtual follow-up sessions to earn an ALC credit.

Credits

12 PD hr
Or 1 ALC

Why this topic?

This session topic was identified as part of the [Telescope Network Spring 2022 needs assessment](#). When asked to identify aspects of equitable literacy instruction that they wanted to learn about, educators elected to write in math specific concerns related to productive struggle or literacy in mathematics. Many identified learning challenges such as:

- *How to help students solve unfamiliar problems*
- *Problem based learning*
- *How can I get unmotivated students more motivated*

Learning Site Materials

[Learning Site Packet](#) Includes agenda and driver diagram

[Debrief Notes](#)

[Virtual Session Slideshow](#)

Participant Artifacts

- Doan Student Centered IM LS Final Artifact
- Schaeffer Student Centered IM LS Final Artifact
- Spiro Student Centered IM LS Final Artifact

Participant Feedback

After the session, **100%** of participants (11 out of 11 exit ticket responses) said that they would recommend this session to a colleague. Additional comments from participants:

- *"HUGE appreciation to the facilitators and to Lirna for allowing us to visit her classroom. I LOVED today!"*



- "I really enjoyed the whole session. Thanks for the time and effort you invest in bringing teachers together to learn from their peers."
- "I really liked having conversations with Lirna after the meeting during lunch. It was nice to talk to her about her strategies to ensure our students are learning and have the best chance to succeed in math."

Participant Takeaways from the Observation

We asked, "What's one thing that went well during this session?" Sample responses:

- "Getting to share ideas with colleagues, seeing REALLY great teaching in practice"
- Conversations and reflection around observed practices afforded me an opportunity to see what other teachers saw that I had missed during the observation.
- "Really everything! The framing we did beforehand/ LOVED the peer observation and debrief."

Next Steps

- This Learning Site includes three follow-up sessions on Zoom.
- [Telescope Events Calendar](#) for future PD sessions and social events.

Additional Resources

Event facilitators: [Amanda Hathaway](#) (Lead Networker), [Jeff Parks](#) (Lead Networker)

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