# Whole-Child

Ensuring each child, in each school and community, is healthy, safe, engaged, supported, and challenged.

# Facilitate and prioritize shifting to and maintaining a safe and inspiring learning environment for all students

Strategy	Resources & Strategies
I build relationships with students that foster their learning success.	Get to know your learners  10 Strategies to get to Know Your Students  6 exercises to get to know your students  4-part system for getting to know your students  Build Community in your classroom  Scaffold your student surveys to build trust the first week  6 Ideas to Create a Remote Community of Learners  Create a classroom constitution built with students
I model a willingness to share reflections on and transparency around successes, failures, and challenges.	Model growth mindset     How to model a growth mindset for your students  Practice and model your own Social-Emotional Learning     Model and "think aloud" to share your self-care, self-regulation and self-awareness practice     Check-in with & practice your own social-emotional learning

I contribute to student learning environments that are physically and emotionally safe, welcoming and affirming.

## Deeply understand your learners and their communities

- Conduct empathy interviews to learn more about your students and their family's experiences and context
- Involve families in decision-making.

## **Employ Culturally Responsive Teaching strategies**

- Use culturally and contextually relevant examples, texts to build off of students' experience and expertise.
- How to get started with Culturally Responsive Teaching
- <u>Culturally Responsive Teaching and the Brain</u> (Zaretta Hammond)
- 4 Misconceptions of Culturally Responsive Teaching
- Are your diversity strategies missing the mark? 9 ways to get it right
- Critical Practices for Anti-Bias Education
- Honor student experience in building classroom culture
- Unpack the Social Justice Standards and embed them in classroom lessons
- How to be an antiracist educator

# Conduct audits of your library, curriculum, and resources

- Conduct a classroom library audit- do you have diverse perspectives and backgrounds represented?
- Conduct a curriculum audit- who does your curriculum acknowledges, privilege? Who is not present in it? What is the hidden curriculum?
- Review curriculum resources: are they inclusive of marginalized communities?
- Use the <u>Center for Antiracist Education's Review tool</u> to review curriculum resources such as texts

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I establish a classroom culture where risk taking is safe.	<ul> <li>Empower students in classroom routines</li> <li>Create learning circles- small group of kids that meet regularly to check in- accountability/ friend team</li> <li>Student led connectors or energizers are a great way for students to lead and kick off class sessions</li> <li>Create a classroom constitution built with students</li> <li>Incorporate restorative practices into classroom management plans</li> <li>Restorative Practices</li> <li>Use restorative circles to illuminate or solve problems that arise</li> <li>Embed a think sheet into your classroom management - have students reflect on their behaviors and more appropriate responses before other disciplinary measures</li> <li>Take advantage of the outside world to include learners</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Empower youth to participate in <u>participatory action research</u></li> <li>The power of place-based education and equity</li> </ul>
I hold high expectations for all students	Communicate clear and high expectations for all students through <u>rubrics</u> Help students focus on and value the process of learning rather than the 'grade'  • Students will often base self perceptions of intelligence and worth to grades received, promoting a fixed mindset. While grades are important, the value of learning should be prioritized  • Provide flexible assessment dates and allow retakes and revisions

# Provide frequent and quality descriptive feedback to students.

- 7 Keys to Effective Feedback
- The importance of feedback
- 20 ways to give feedback

## Use critique and revision protocols to improve work

- Plan summative assessments with cycles of drafts that require students to make edits based on peer and/or teacher feedback
- 4 strategies for teaching students to revise
- Critique and revision protocol for PBL
- Austin's Butterfly

I collect and use data that can help expose inequities and use that data to improve inequities and close gaps among students, keeping all students to a high standard.

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The connection between learner-centered education and antiracism

Coach students to use their voice to develop their agency

- Implement a quick daily check-in question for students to verbally answer with a partner. Encourage 1-3 different students to share whole-group each day
- <u>Encourage silence strategically</u>, but mostly encourage questions during learning
- Provide scaffolds for students to have difficult conversations



• Empower learners to create a learner profile to identify strengths, challenges, values, identity, goals

I am able to recognize and respond to those who have been impacted by traumatic stress and provide students with clear expectations and communication strategies to guide them through stressful

# Use trauma-informed discipline practices

- What If Everything You Knew About Disciplining Kids Was Wrong?
- Trauma-Informed Practice Benefit all Students
- Morning Meetings

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