

DODGE CITY MIDDLE SCHOOL

Purposeful Professional Development Planning

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Topic: Increasing Student Engagement, Boost Your Creativity, and Transform Your Life as an Educator.

Resource: Teach Like A Pirate (Every Teacher will receive the book.)

Goal: To be creative in modeling for teachers what we would like to see in our classrooms.

Purpose “The mission or purpose of a PLC team is to ensure that all students learn through the collaborative, interdependent practice of teachers.”

What is a Collaborative Culture?

- Teams are engaged in an ongoing cycle of continuous improvement through a
- a systematic, goal-directed learning process in which people work together in grade level, vertical, special topic, or subject matter teams to analyze and impact professional practice in order to improve individual and collective results for students
- Teams have a shared responsibility for student learning.

What is Collective Inquiry?

- Reflective dialogue and collective inquiry into best practices are a major attribute of professional learning communities.

What do we meant by Results Oriented?

- The effectiveness of the teaching is assessed on the basis of student results and how those results show whether students have or have not learned the essential curriculum.

How do we define PLC leadership?

- A strong professional learning community has a leader who facilitates the learning of all staff member.

Driving Questions for Planning

- What is it that we want to model?
- How will it provide evidence of what we want to see in our classrooms?
- How will we make it purposeful?
 - What are the topics we will explore—the content.
- Does it match the district & schools vision statement?
 - Dodge City Middle School will foster a culture with independent learning where students can achieve their full potential in academics, personal, physical and moral development in the 21st Century.
- Does it focus on best instructional practices?
 - How are we defining best instructional practices?
- Have we included “Passion” as a part of our reflection time?

Time Sheets: See Deb for Time Sheets