

# ***Maximizing Student Engagement with Instructional Strategies and Technology***



## ***Student Engagement and Technological Strategies***

### ENGAGING STUDENTS



**TLC Educational Solutions** Strategy-based Professional Development workshops are specifically designed to provide the skills needed to teach and interact with today's students. Educators are challenged to keep students motivated and engaged in the lesson and classroom setting. Whether at an On-Site Workshop or Invitational Seminar, we provide teachers and administrators with strategies aligned to PreK-12 College and Career Readiness Standards and designed to actively engage students with effective instructional strategies integrated with technology. Active students are more motivated to learn and participate in the lesson. This results in an increase in their learning and less disruptive behavior problems in the classroom.

## **Workshop Sessions**

### ***Engaging Students with Instructional and Technological Strategies That Honor Personal Learning Styles.***

Engaging in strategies that honor individuality and each person's learning style, provides opportunities for all students to learn. Developing an understanding of the unique ways in which individuals learn provides a basis for expanding student skills that empower them to learn in different ways. With this understanding of learning styles and resources including digital resources, teachers can stretch students to develop their abilities.

### ***Motivating Students with Formative Feedback***

Perceiving feedback as an on-going exchange between teacher and student, is essential. Successfully implemented feedback informs teachers in making real-time adjustments in learning opportunities for their students. Likewise, it informs students allowing them to be actively involved in their own learning. Feedback strategies that can be used throughout the learning process are the focus of this session.

### ***Involving Students in Their Own Learning and the Learning of Their Peers***

Developing student ownership of their own learning has a profound impact upon student engagement, motivation, and self-esteem. These strategies assist teachers in opening the door to opportunities for students to overcome the challenges of complex tasks. These strategies shift the responsibility from the teacher alone to a shared student and teacher responsibility. Google Classroom will be introduced as a tool to optimize student ownership.

### ***Incorporating Instructional Strategies that Promote Higher Order Thinking***

Raising the cognitive demand of learning experiences with strategies that focus on higher order thinking gives students the capacity to process information at a higher level of cognition. A crosswalk of Bloom's and Webb's Depth of Knowledge provides a guide to this shift toward higher cognitive demand experiences.

## *Engaging Students with Instructional and Technological Strategies That Honor Personal Learning Styles.*

- Understanding the brain's role in student engagement and motivation
- Optimizing the impact of personal learning styles on learning
- Developing strategies that support and enhance all learning styles
- Engaging students in strategies that develop ability to learn in different ways
- Empowering students to take charge of the way they approach learning

## *Motivating Students with Formative Feedback*



- Optimizing Routine or Day-to-day Feedback Strategies
- Incorporating Reflective formative feedback practices
- Engaging students in self-monitoring, self-assessing, and self-correcting skills
- Developing Response, Actionable, and Impact Feedback
- Raising student cognitive skills with Rigorous formative instructional strategies
- Utilizing Technology-Based Advanced Response Systems

## *Involving Students in Their Own Learning and the Learning of Their Peers*

- Developing student ownership of their own learning
- Opening the door for students to overcome the challenges of complex tasks
- Shifting the learning responsibility from the teacher alone to a shared student and teacher responsibility
- Recognizing the power in student review of the products their peers produce
- Communicating with and learning from each other in an atmosphere of collaboration

## *Incorporating Instructional Strategies that Promote Higher-Order Thinking*

- Raising the cognitive demand of learning experiences with strategies that focus on higher-order thinking
- Developing student capacity for processing information at a higher level of cognition
- Incorporating a crosswalk of Bloom's Taxonomy and Webb's Depth of Knowledge as a guide to the shift toward higher cognitive demand experiences
- Utilizing Technological strategies that promote higher-order thinking

