Mentor Minutes
April 2019

Give all students, especially those who are behind grade level, access to instruction that asks them to think and engage deeply with challenging materials.

- The New Teacher Project

Welcome Back from Spring Break

The Rejuvenation Phase continue as you return from Spring Break. You may also find yourself entering the Reflection Phase as you reflect upon the school year so far and begin to plan for the remainder of this year and into next.

The Reflection Phase

The Reflection Phase being in mid to late April and is particularly invigorating time as you prepare to complete your 1st year. You may want to highlight events that were successful and those you want to improve upon. Consider changes you want to implement next year including classroom management, curriculum, and engagement strategies. During this reflection time, hopefully a vision will emerge as to what your second year might hold, which may bring you into a new phase of anticipation.

April Evaluations:

Your evaluator will be completing your formal evaluation soon. It will be in your MyPGS under “Annual Evaluation.” This is your overall evaluation for the year. You will receive a Qualitative Rating. You will receive this rating as well as an Evaluation Narrative.

The Qualitative Rating will indicate if your overall performance for the entire school year was:
⇒ Ineffective
⇒ Developing
⇒ Effective
⇒ Highly Effective

The resource tab in MyPGS has the evaluation handbook that can be a helpful resource when reviewing your evaluation.

If you have questions regarding how to access your evaluation information or want to discuss your results, please let me know.
In this one-day training you will explore the new ELA adoption grade level materials in preparation for 2019-20 curriculum implementation.

- Elementary resource teachers, please consider attending a training over the summer. You **do not** need to attend a training for every grade level you work with. Fountas & Pinnell will be used in K-1st and Benchmark Advance 2nd-5th.
- Classes are available in MYPGS and start 6/10/19 and run into August (many of the August dates are already full)
Professional Expectations:
- SafeSchools Online Training is required every year.

IEP TIP:
If you need to reschedule an IEP or eligibility meeting, generate a new IEP Notice of Annual or Reevaluation Meeting in Accelify with the new date.
(even if parents agree via phone, email or in person)