

**My Dream Job Is….. the Job I Have!**

Your position has two major objective components:

* Tasks – content, number, diversity, scope, how performed
* Relationships—nature, frequency, intensity of interactions

How you think about what you do and who you work with is subjective. Over your lifetime, you can continue to bring more and more meaning and deep satisfaction into every position by keeping top of mind:

* PURPOSE: What is your why? What impact do I hope to have? What is the purpose of the tasks I complete? What difference does my work with students make to their future?
* STRENGTHS: What strengths do I bring? Where I can I contribute the most?
* JOY: What do I love to do? Who do I most enjoy working with and on behalf of?

Activity I: Start with Your Current Position – Create sized boxes of your major tasks with the largest box for the tasks you devote the most time.

Other roles

Other major responsibility

Other roles

Biggest job responsibility

Activity 2: Now Make It Your Dream Job By Adding the Clouds to Connect to YOUR WHY, STRENGTHS, AND JOY.

Acknowledge your JOY.

Example: I love working with young people and public speaking. Conducting the workshops is my favorite part of this job.

Offer to use STRENGTHS.

Example: I am very good at creating graphs. I can create graphs so we can visualize our progress towards our goals.

Remind me of my WHY.

Example: I want my students to succeed and to see my impact. Collecting and tracking data tells me for sure that we are on the right track….or alerts me to regroup so we can do better.

Activity 3: Before starting work each day, remind yourself of how YOUR WHY, STRENGTHS and ENJOYMENT is connected to your day’s work tasks. Review ways that you can address your tasks and develop your relationships to bring out YOUR WHY, STRENGTHS and ENJOYMENT.