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Professional Development Offerings

Teaching Teachers to be their Best

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Note*: All courses can be offered as 1,2 or 4 part sessions. Custom PD also available.





Stickers and Bubblegum: Using Rewards Effectively

The class is divided : To Reward or Not Reward???

This series digs deep into the question of how and why are rewards in the classroom a vital part of a healthy learning environment. From what rewards are age appropriate to how choose rewards that motivate youth without breaking the bank. Also, discussed are the psychological reasons that rewards systems should be used and why consistency is key.

The Digital Divide and Diversity

Designed to support several UDB8 curriculum packages, the D3 Professional Development series is designed for today's educator to help dig through the noise of how historic impacts have modern impacts on classrooms, youth in them and the learning communities that they are expected to thrive in.

Delving into the most recent research on how the digital divide has affected today's generation, how the school learning environment is ripe with opportunities to meet youth where they are, and most importantly, how using digital tools can engage even the most reluctant learners.



How to be a S.A.F.E. educator?

Being an ally for learners is the role important role an educator can take on. This professional development course discusses why being Socially Aware and Focused on Equity is the driving force behind helping to create the best opportunity for trajectory guiding.

This course is great for rookie teachers and veterans alike and can help shift the most important part of a learning environment, the relationships between learners and facilitators of learning. Our most popular course has proven to help meet academic, attendance and other school wide goals when used in the learning community.



Using Debate To Educate : From 1st period til the rest of their life

This course works wonders in learning communities by highlighting the valuable portable skills debate offers learners. Participants learn how to use the core skills of research, questioning, confidence and public speaking to help propel youth towards success.

When combined with one of the UDB8 programs, this course helped learning communities target several areas of improvement including attendance, engagement in academics and positive SEL growth. This session can be customized to your schools' needs.

The ABCs of SEL

Often times, SEL is a buzz word thrown around learning communities. But the truth is that educators AND learners have difficulties getting past the verbiage and into the real work of SEL in the learning environment.

This session helps make SEL less mystical, by focusing on the 3 main aspects of delivering SEL curriculum that makes it accessible to all. It also takes a deep dive into the reality that comes with offering SEL to learners when basic developmental needs aren't met.



Custom Professional Development

From attendance to academic performance to educator engagement, there are a myriad of areas that learning communities often struggle to excel in.

UDB8's staff can custom create a PD that suits the needs of your school, organization or learning environment while offering core fundamental aspects of teaching and coaching.

Can be hosted as a one time session or broken down throughout the school year to manage data and offer accountability techniques, this session is for the principal who has tried everything!