

Effective Formative Assessment Practices (PK-12)

3 P Credits offered through After School Professional Development Program (ASDP)
36 Hours

Course Description:

This course provides teachers strategies to assess students' knowledge and thinking in order to more effectively engage them through usage of diverse learning modalities, elicit evidence of any conceptual obstacles, provide examples to promote inquiry and to challenge students' beliefs, ideas and/or concepts, address misunderstandings, reteach something in a new context, provide appropriate scaffolding, identify students who may need additional or different levels of support, revisit learning goals and make adjustments as necessary, and provide multiple and varied opportunities for students to access, refine, and further their learning in any content area. Teachers build a repertoire of techniques through this course, full of novelty beyond the KWL chart, to monitor and promote student learning.



Course Outline:

- Session 1: Course Introduction
- Session 2: Purposes of Formative Assessment
- Session 3: Research to Support Formative Assessment and Its Role
- Session 4: Classroom Characteristics Conducive to Effective Formative Assessment
- Session 5: Key Characteristics of Effective Formative Assessment Strategies
- Session 6: Specific Formative Assessment Strategies for Specific Purposes
- Session 7: Technology Tools to Support Effective Formative Assessment
- Session 8: Aligning Formative Assessment and Summative Assessment
- Session 9: Final Project (personalized portfolio of learning)