

Student Centered Learning – Making the Move

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How do schools move from a teacher centered instructional approach to one that is more student centered? What do student centered instructional approaches and strategies look like? In what way do these strategies offer a successful option for helping students who are not served well by teacher centered instruction?

This conference is aimed at teachers, teacher leaders, and leadership teams that want to contribute to shifting to a more student centered learning culture at their school.

There will be several strands:

Project Based Learning Strand – this strand will build on past conferences led and will focus on successful student centered teaching strategies within a PBL environment – tools, resources, assessments, and professional development activities will be shared.

Secondary Strand – this strand will focus on secondary schools that are not specifically Project Based schools but that also want to build more student centered approaches across the curriculum.

Elementary Strand – this strand of sessions and presenters will focus on teaching strategies that result in high levels of student engagement and higher order thinking using technology, hands on materials, games, and brain based techniques.

English Language Learner Strand – this strand focuses on the teaching strategies that are especially effective at engaging not only English Language Learners but also all learners. Participants will practice approaches such as visualization strategies, interpersonal strategies, and vocabulary building strategies.

Each strand will also include tools and resources for coaching, building teacher knowledge, and ensuring engagement by the entire staff.

ACNW and NEO School Rate

- \$149/teacher for both days
- \$399/team of three teachers for both days

Regular Rate:

- \$249/teacher for both days
- \$699/team of three teachers for both days

Register by emailing roderickmhaenke@gmail.com. PO#'s accepted.

Request for Presenters

We are looking for 15-20 teachers that could demonstrate a 10 – 15 mini lesson showcasing strategies that increase student engagement such as:

Guided Reading – Interactive Read Alouds – Socratic Seminar – Math Problem Solving – Gradual Release Method – Use of Graphic Organizers or Mind Maps – Innovative Use of Technology – Project Based Learning – Hands On Math Lessons – Inquiry Based Learning – Teach Like a Champion

Or other specific strategies or instructional approaches that are highly effective and worthy of sharing!

Guiding questions:

Does the strategy encourage student interaction?

Does the strategy encourage students to think?

Does the strategy encourage students to own their learning?

Encourage teachers to submit their proposal to the Conference Director, Rod Haenke, at roderickmhaenke@gmail.com.

Name:

School:

Email:

School Phone:

Cell Phone:

Strategy:

3 sentence description of strategy:

Selected presenters will get a free registration and a special gift!