**Increasing Student Engagement - Strategies and Techniques**

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**Description**

Educators will share simple strategies and techniques to make their classrooms more engaging for students. Several strategies will be modeled so it will be an interactive and engaging session. This session is for teachers in any subject and any grade level. The techniques work for all students, especially with at-risk, SPED, and ELL students.

**Session Outline**

**Purpose:**

* To encourage participants to create an engaging classroom climate for their students using strategies and techniques customized to fit their own needs
* To share ideas such as relationship building, management techniques, discrepant events, demonstrations, chants, hands-on activities, and more
* To participate in a hands-on, summarizing/sharing activity (aluminum foil, pipecleaners)

**Introduction:**

* Thank you, need for a different type of teacher
* Techniques for all - customize

**Strategies:**

1. Management – procedures, Harry and Rosemary Wong
2. Relationships – frame art, middle names, music
3. Google and youtube – (science examples - photosynthesis simulation, wolf-sheep game)
4. Discrepant events – fortune fish, water and oil, other demonstrations
5. Chants – (science examples - photosynthesis, prokaryote – bacteria)
6. Hands-on activities – pipe cleaner proteins, classification
7. Other (Teaching, Engaging Students with Poverty in Mind - Eric Jensen books)

**Closure Activity:**

* Summary activity
* Prizes/Thank you

**Notes:**