

Leader in Me: Lesson Plan Template

Title:	Making a Classroom Mission Statement		
Learning Objective:	Students will be able to participate in the making of their classroom mission statement.		
FranklinCovey Habit:	Begin With the End in Mind		
21st Century Skill:	Critical Thinking and Problem Solving Skills; Productivity and Accountability		
Subject Area:	Language Arts		
Activity Type:	<input type="checkbox"/> Individual	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> X Group	<input type="checkbox"/> Homework
Source:	Adapted from a lesson plan from the staff at Crestwood Elementary School		
Activity Time:	30 min.	Grade Level:	K-6

Set Up

Student Materials	Teacher Materials	Review
	Your school's mission statement	Review what a mission statement is.

Introduction

Tell students that today you will be looking at the school's mission statement and then creating your own classroom mission statement.

Activity

1. Using your school's mission statement, ask students to explain the "why" behind each rule. From this generate ideas of what your school believes in.
2. Extend the activity by having students brainstorm "What Our Classroom Believes In". Record student ideas on chart paper.
3. Using a "Y" chart entitled "Our Ideal Classroom", record student responses about what our ideal classroom would "look like", "feel like" and "sound like". (Do this on chart paper).
4. Give each student 10 colored dots/stickers (5 for each chart), and ask them to place them beside the points they consider the most important. (This could also be done with check marks).
5. Use the beliefs that the classroom has chosen to develop your mission statement. Here is an example of what was developed in a Crestwood Elementary Classroom:

In our classroom we respect ourselves, others, our work and our environment. Together we are the best we can be.

The classroom rules that we developed from this are:

We respect all people and their property.

We do quality work.

We belong to the group and care about each other.

Wrap Up

Read and review your class mission statement and ask students to promise to abide by it.

Assessment

Students will be assessed on appropriate participation during the class discussion or activity.

Extensions & Integrations