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EDCI 3304_900: Pedagogy II: Instructional Practice

A. LEARNING OBJECTIVES:

TEXES PPR Standards

The beginning teacher will demonstrate a knowledge and understanding of:

Assessment of Student Learning

- 1.25k the role of assessment in guiding instructional planning
- 1.26k the importance of creating assessments that are congruent with instructional goals and objectives
- 1.27k the characteristics, uses, advantages, and limitations of various assessment methods and strategies
- 1.28k the role of technology in assessing student learning
- 1.29k the benefits of and strategies for promoting student self-assessment
- 1.30k the connection between the Texas statewide assessment program, the TEKS, and instruction
- 1.31k how to analyze data from local, state, and other assessment using common statistical measures

Establishing an Environment for Learning and Excellence

- 2.4k importance of communicating enthusiasm for learning
- 2.5k the necessity of community teacher expectations for student learning

Communication

- 3.1k the importance of clear, accurate communication in the teaching and learning process
- 3.2k principles and strategies for community effectively in varied teaching and learning contexts
- 3.3k spoken and written language that is appropriate to students' age, interests, and background
- 3.4k skills and strategies for engaging in skilled questioning and learning effective student discussions

Providing Feedback to Students

- 3.12k characteristics of effective feedback for students
- 3.13k the role of timely feedback in the learning process
- 3.14k how to use constructive feedback to guide each students' learning
- 3.15k the significance of teacher flexibility and responsiveness in the teaching/learning process
- 3.16k situations in which teacher flexibility can enhance student learning

The beginning teacher will demonstrate an ability to:

Assessment of Student Learning

- 1.24s use a variety of assessment methods, including technology, that are appropriate for evaluating student achievement of instructional goals and objectives
- 1.25 communicate assessment criteria and standards to students
- 1.26 design assessments, where appropriate, that reflect real-world applications of knowledge and understanding
- 1.27s promote students' use of self-monitoring and self-assessment
- 1.28s analyze assessment results to aid in determining students' strengths and needs
- 1.29s use assessment results to help plan instruction for groups of students or individuals

Establishing an Environment for Learning and Excellence

- 2.4s communicate to all students the importance of instructional content and the expectation of high-quality work
- 2.5s ensure that instructional goals and objectives, activities, classroom interactions, assessments, and other elements of the classroom environment convey high expectations for student achievement

Communication

- 3.1s communicate directions, explanations, and procedures clearly, accurately, and with an appropriate level of detail both orally and in writing

- 3.2s use effective interpersonal skills (including both verbal and nonverbal skills) to reach students and communicate the teachers' commitment to students
- 3.3s use spoken and written language that is appropriate to students' ages, interests, and backgrounds
- 3.4s use effective communication techniques, including questioning and discussion techniques, to foster active student inquiry, higher-order thinking, problem-solving, and productive, supportive interactions
- 3.5s use carefully framed questions to enable students to reflect on their understanding of content and to consider new possibilities
- 3.6s apply skills for leading discussions that engage all students in exploring important questions and that extend students' knowledge

Providing Feedback to Students

- 3.15s use appropriate language and format to provide each student with timely feedback that is accurate, constructive, substantive, and specific
- 3.16s promote students' ability to use feedback to guide and enhance their learning and
- 3.17s base feedback on high expectations for student learning

C. LECTURE OR DISCUSSION TOPICS:

- Effective communication in the classroom
- Communicating high expectations and enthusiasm in the classroom
- Understanding assessments
- Selecting appropriate assessments
- Analyzing individual student data
- Analyzing whole group data
- Providing quality, constructive, and timely feedback