TEACHING STRATEGIES

TOP 17 CLASSROOM MANAGEMENT STRATEGIES THAT SHOULD BE EMPHASIZED IN EVERY CLASSROOM

Strategy	Description
 Increase ratio of positive to negative teacher to student interactions 	 At least 4 to 1 Positive interaction every 5 minutes Follow correction for rule violation with positive reinforce for rule following
2. Actively supervise to all times	 Move continuously Scan continuously & overtly Interact frequently & positively Positively reinforce rule following behaviours
3. Positively interact with most students during lesson	 Physical, verbal, visual contact Group v. individual Instructional & social
 Manage minor (low intensify/frequency) problem behaviours positively & quickly 	 Signal occurrence State correct response Ask student to restate/show Disengage quickly & early
5. Follow school procedures for chronic problem behaviours	Be consistent & business-likePrecorrect for next occurrence
6. Conduct smooth & efficient transitions between activities	Taught routineEngage students immediately
7. Be prepared for activity	 Prepare filler activities Know desired outcome Have materials Practice presentation fluency
8. Begin with clear explanations of outcomes/objective	Advance organizerPoint of reference
9. Allocate most time to instruction	• Fill day with instructional activities

	Maximize teacher led engagement
10. Engage students in active responding	WriteVerbalizeParticipate
11. Give each student multiple ways to actively respond	 Individual v. choral responses Written v. gestures Peer-based
12. Regularly check for student understanding	QuestionsAffirmative gesturesWritten action
13. End activity with specific feedback	Academic v. socialIndividual v. group
14. Provide specific information about what happens next	HomeworkNew activityNext meeting
15. Know how many students met the objective/outcomes	OralWrittenSample
16. Provide extra time/assistance for unsuccessful students	More practiceMore instruction
17. Plan for next time activity conducted	Firm up outcomeNew outcometest

EFFECTIVE TEACHING STRATEGIES

- There are high rates of engaged time
- There are high rates of student success
- Teacher maintains student attention
- There are smooth and effective transitions
 - o Teach rules about transition
 - o Pre-corrects & advanced organizers
- Clear group rules
 - o Stated positively
 - Stated succinctly
 - o Stated in observable terms
 - Made public
 - \circ Enforced
 - o Small number
 - \circ Taught
- Positive climate
 - o Communicate expectations for achievement
 - o Safe, orderly and focused environment for work
 - Smooth group prevention management strategies
- Rapid pacing
- Frequent questioning
- Appropriate feedback given to students
 - o Always provide immediate feedback in the acquisition phase
 - Always provide precise feedback
 - $\circ \quad \text{Combine feedback with instruction} \\$
- There are high expectations for student learning
- Incentives and rewards are used to promote excellence
- Personal interactions between teachers and students are positive

Classroom Checklist

Instruction

- Advanced organizers given
- Specific explanations and clear instructions given
- Lesson well-paced
- Student attention maintained throughout lesson
- Opportunity for student practice
- Frequent and detailed positive feedback given to students
- Appropriate error correction and review strategies employed

Classroom Management

- Pre-corrects given
- Active positive interactions with students
- Positive feedback given to students
- Smooth transitions between lessons/activities
- Differential reinforcement used appropriately
- Non-instructional time is kept to a minimum
- Positive, predictable, orderly learning environment maintained
- Classroom rules posted and enforced consistently and equitably
- Individual behaviour change strategies implemented appropriately