

MAT Student Log

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School Assignment __ MCHS _____ MAT Supervisor _ Dana Sorrell _____

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REFLECTIONS

Analyze the experiences of the day and respond to the following questions:
(add additional pages, as deemed appropriate)

1. What success occurred today? (What worked, and how did it contribute to student success?)

Having the students write about themselves during the Bellwork had them practicing for the actual assignment. It also made it easy for them to work from that paragraph and create their Dear Reader Letter. I think this bellwork fit perfectly.

2. What could be improved? Why didn't the strategy or method work, and what suggestions can be made for improvement?

I think my lesson plans are getting really good. I think it is my presentations that need the improvement. I'm still not showing my enthusiasm as much as I should be. I did much better with praising the students this time, but I keep using the same praise words, which start to make it sound bland and not heart felt.

I also need to find a better way of passing out handouts. This class I was able to pass them out and still talk to the class because I had things to say, but I think I need to find a better way or time to do it.

To conclude: I need to learn to show my enthusiasm about the material I'm teaching. I am enthused, but it doesn't come across as well as it should. I also need more practice on praising the students. So, other than the handout problem, I think I'm getting better at this.