



Practical Understanding of Teacher Leadership

As you look to grow, strengthen and empower teacher leaders, use this activity to assist teachers and administrators in understanding the characteristics of an effective teacher leader. The characteristics are aligned to the Teacher Leader Model Standards developed by the Teacher Leadership Exploratory Consortium.

• Teacher Leader Model Standards: Domain 1

Fostering a Collaborative Culture to Support Educator Development and Student Learning. The teacher leader understands the principles of adult learning and knows how to develop a collaborative culture of collective responsibility in the school. The teacher leader uses this knowledge to promote an environment of collegiatly, trust, and respect that focuses on continuous improvement in instruction and student learning.

Describe your current school's culture in regards to collaboration and support for educator development and student learning.

What are you currently doing, as a teacher leader, to foster a collaborative culture to support educator development and student learning?



What type of leadership style best describes you as a leader? Discuss the benefits you have found about your type of leadership. Discuss the benefits of your leadership style in fostering a collaborative culture to support educator development and student learning.

Direction Solutions / Information	Coaching Advice/ Feedback	Good Questions Listening/Encouragement	Acknowledgement Autonomy/Influence

Identify (two) key strategies that you are currently using to foster a collaborative culture to support educator development and student learning?

Identify your next steps. What steps do you plan on taking to foster a collaborative culture that supports educator development and student learning in your department, school and/or school district?

The information from this activity will be used in a corresponding activity.