EVIDENCE OF IMPACT IN BLENDED LEARNING

USDLA 2018 Presentation Abstract: As the Director of Blended and Distance Learning, I have visited schools/districts in Nebraska implementing blended strategies. From classroom observations and conversations with students, I am both encouraged and confident about the impact of blended learning. I will share evidence collected and the impact of Nebraska's blended learning pilot.

Description: Nebraska's BlendEd Pilot began in March of 2016. Twenty-five schools/districts representing locations from all corners of the state were engaged in the 2-year pilot. Regional service agency, Educational Service Unit (ESU), staff provided support, training and coaching for the school and its teachers. ESU coaches observed the blended teachers (lighthouse teachers) in the pilot along with myself. The compiled result of those observations in addition to the perception data collected articulate the positive impact of implementing blended learning.

I will be sharing data as well as the process of the Pilot. In preparation for a second cohort, ESU staff reflected on the process. This reflection resulted in little change in the pilot design. The second cohort will begin in March, 2018.

In addition to the results, I will share the details of the coaching and support strategies provided by each ESU.

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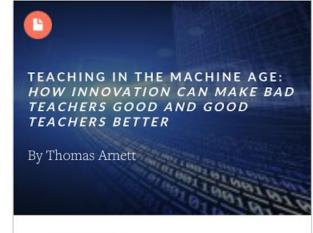
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December 2016

Innovations that commoditize teacher expertise provide school leaders with new options for addressing three challenging circumstances facing schools today.

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August 2016

This white paper offers six change management strategies practitioners recommend for piloting and scaling innovative instructional models across traditional systems.

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October 2015

In early 2015, we teamed up with the Ohio Blended Learning Network and The Learning Accelerator to conduct a statewide survey for the purpose of providing an overview of the blendedlearning environment in Ohio. This pap

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Blended Learning

What is blended learning?

Blended learning is not the same as technology-rich instruction. It goes beyond one-to-one computers and high-tech gadgets. Blended learning involves leveraging the Internet to afford each student a more personalized learning experience, including increased student control over the time, place, path, and/or pace of learning.

The definition of blended learning is a formal education program in which a student learns:

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at least in part through online learning, with some element of student control over time, place, path, and/or pace;

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at least in part in a supervised brick-and-mortar location away from home;



and the modalities along each student's learning path within a course or subject are connected to provide an integrated learning experience.





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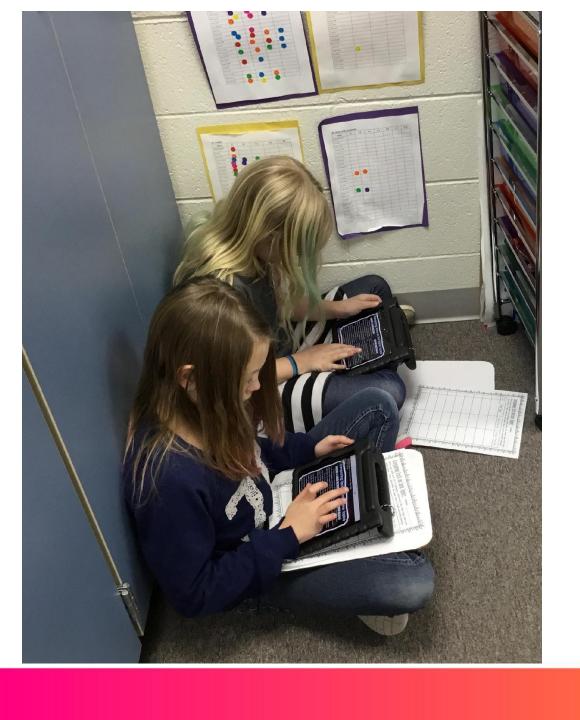


Blended learning is an educational model that combines traditional face-to-face/distance classroom methods with online delivery and participation; and an element of student control over time, place, path, and pace. Additional resources and information about the BlendEd Pilot are found here.

BlendEd—a statewide initiative with these components:

- * Learning Object Repository (LOR)
- * Learning Management System (LMS)
- * Federated Directory System (single sign-on)
- * Statewide Professional Development System (PD)
- * Evaluation Components

The **BlendED** initiative works in harmony with the other two statewide projects, ADVISER Dashboard and Teacher Principal Evaluations, and all are supported by the Educational Service Units, Nebraska Department of Education, and school administrators statewide.



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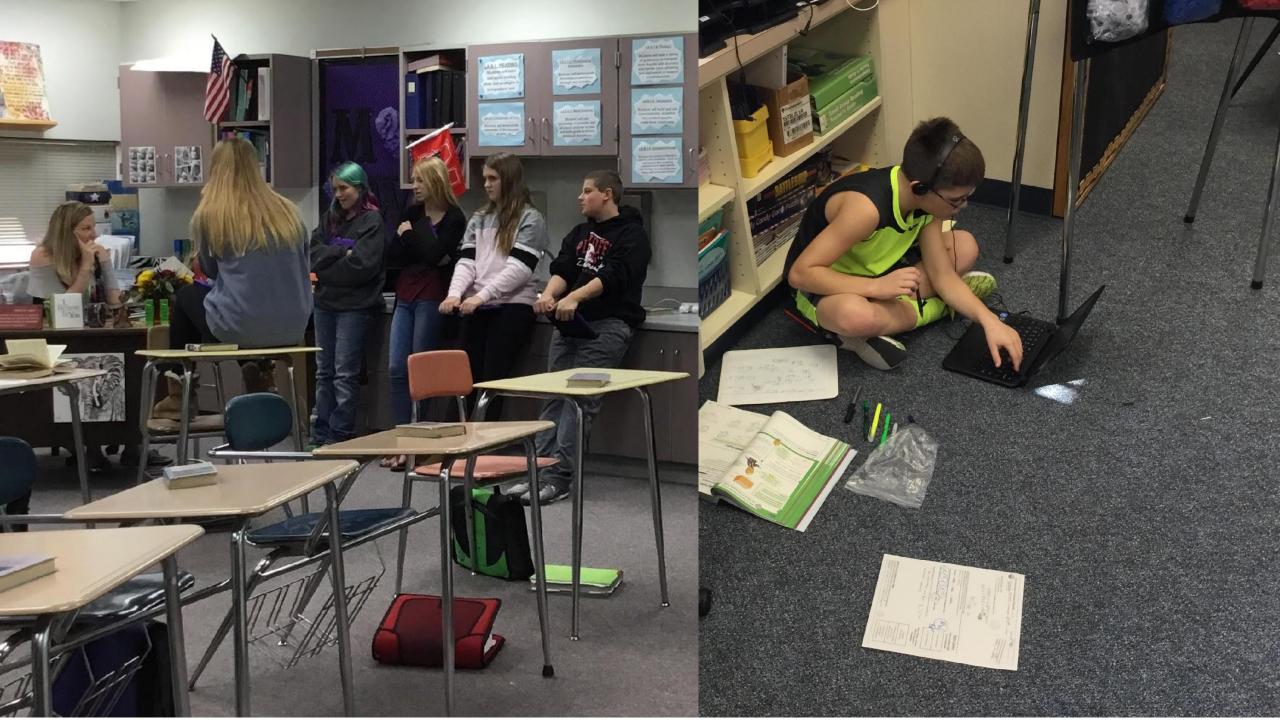
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Nebraska's BlendEd Initiative

BlendEd is an educational model that combines traditional classroom methods with digital instruction and monitoring tools, offering a wealth of resources and platforms for students to enhance and demonstrate learning. Blended learning empowers students with control over time, place, path, and pace of instruction, fostering a classroom driven by students, making it more individualized, relevant, and engaging.





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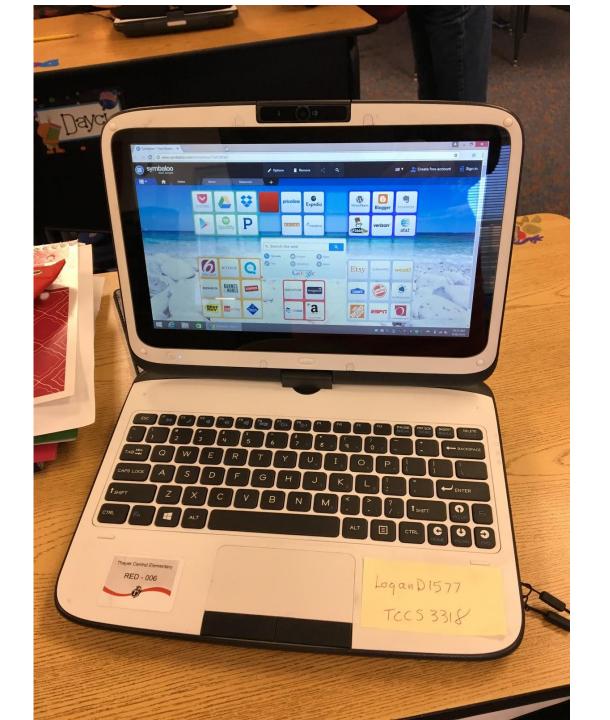




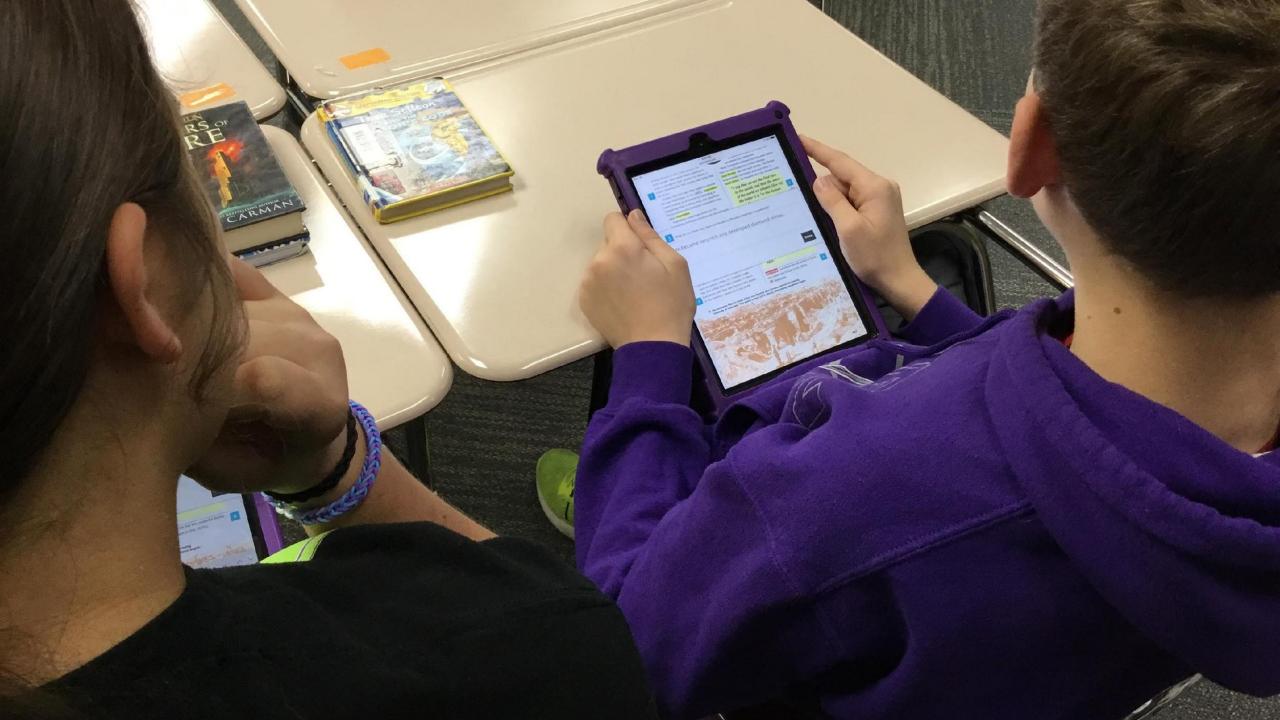
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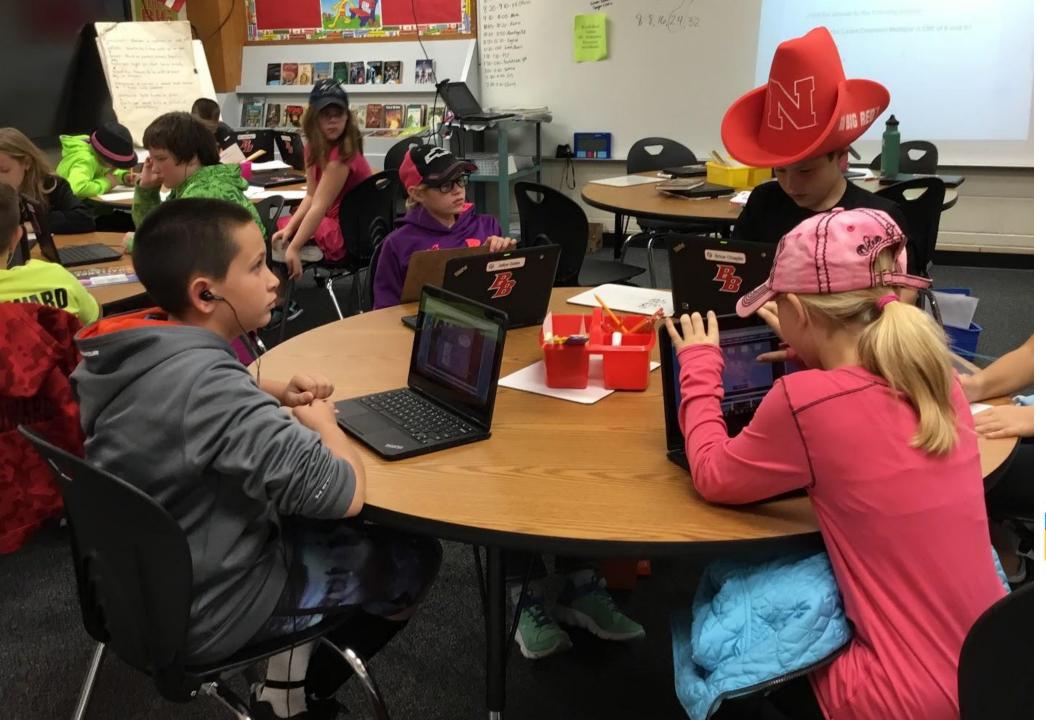


Use of Technology

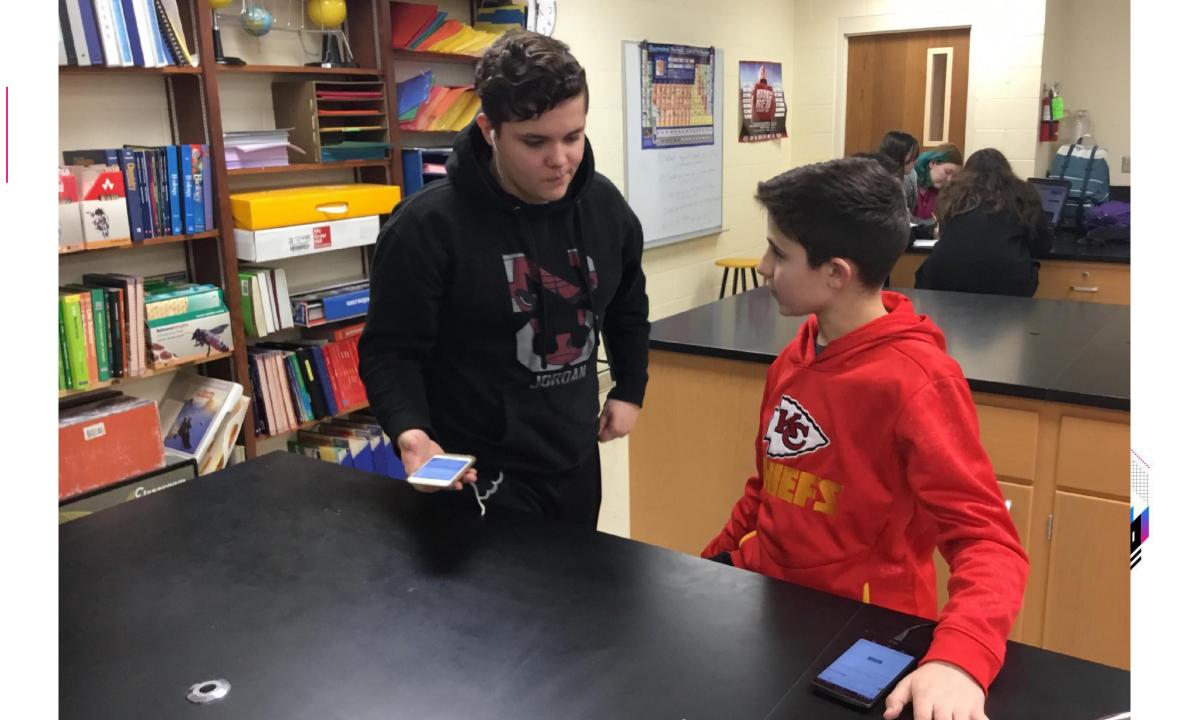




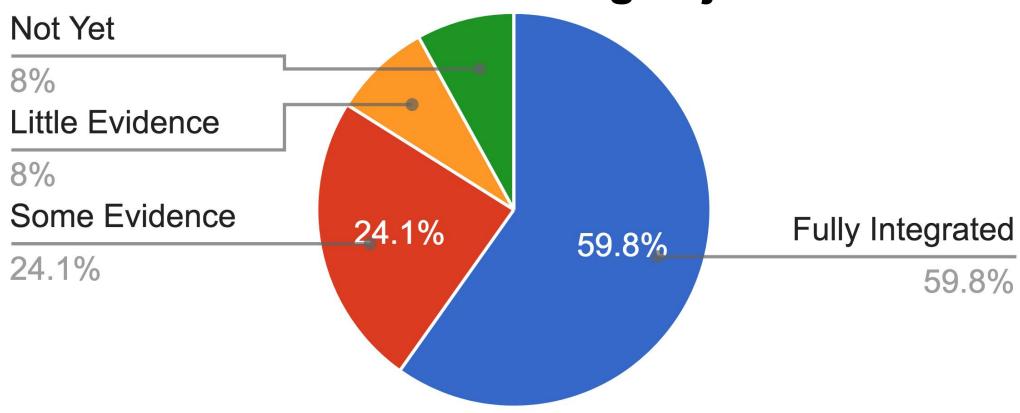




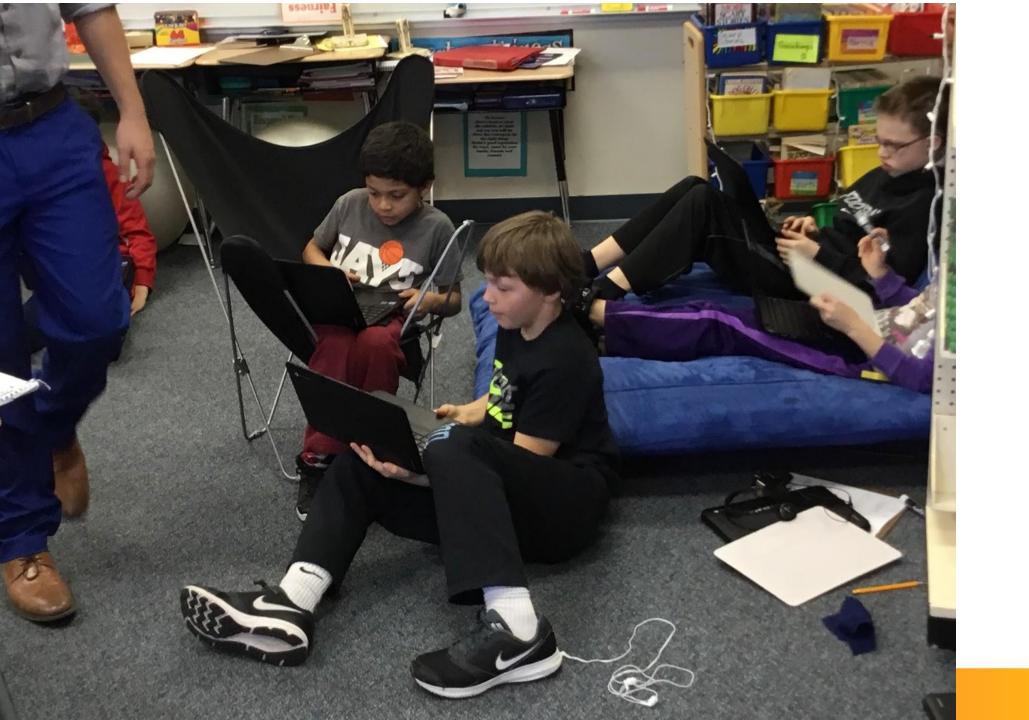




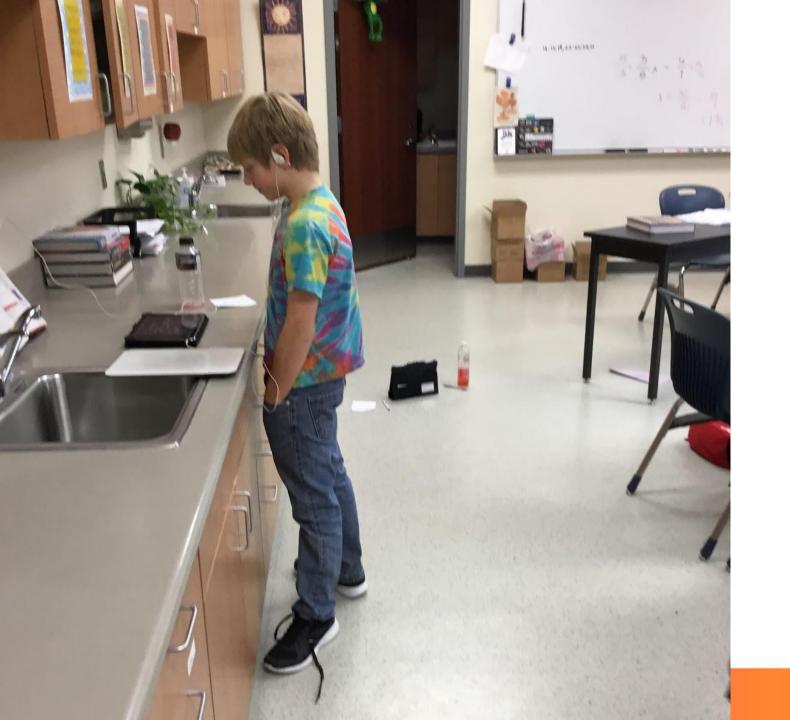
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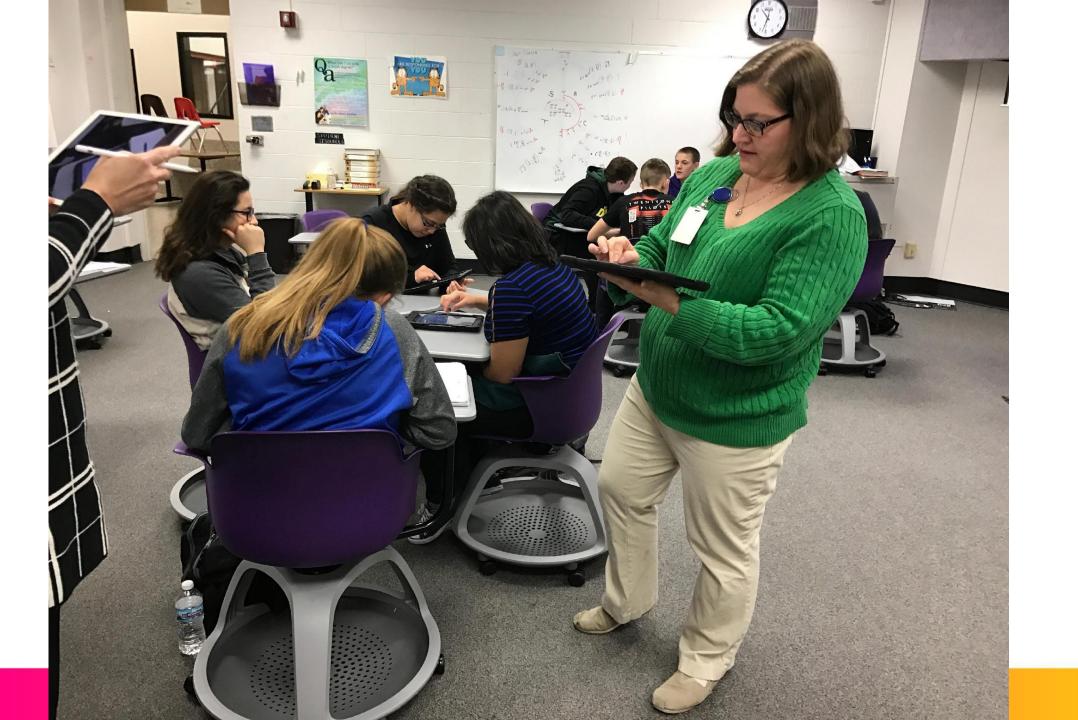
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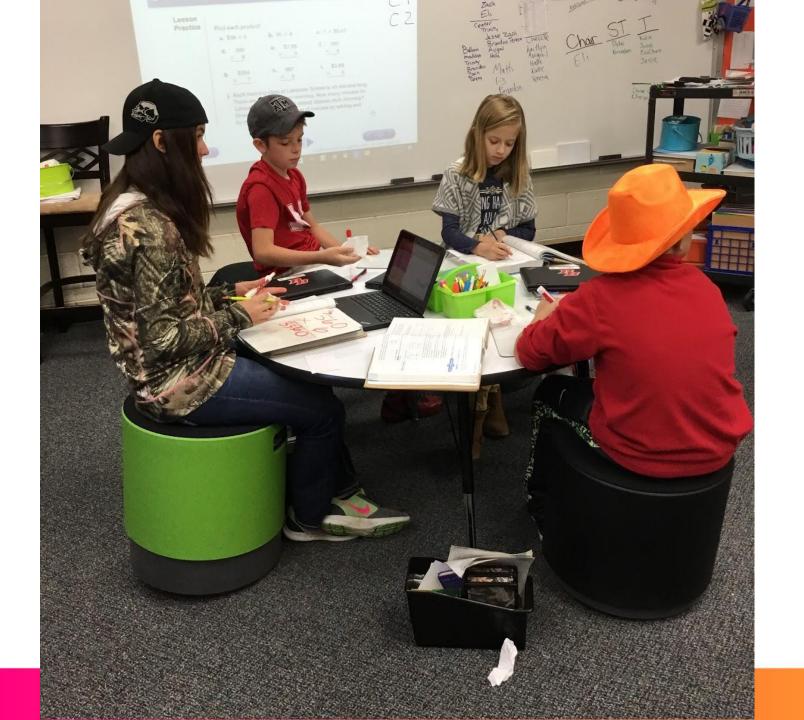




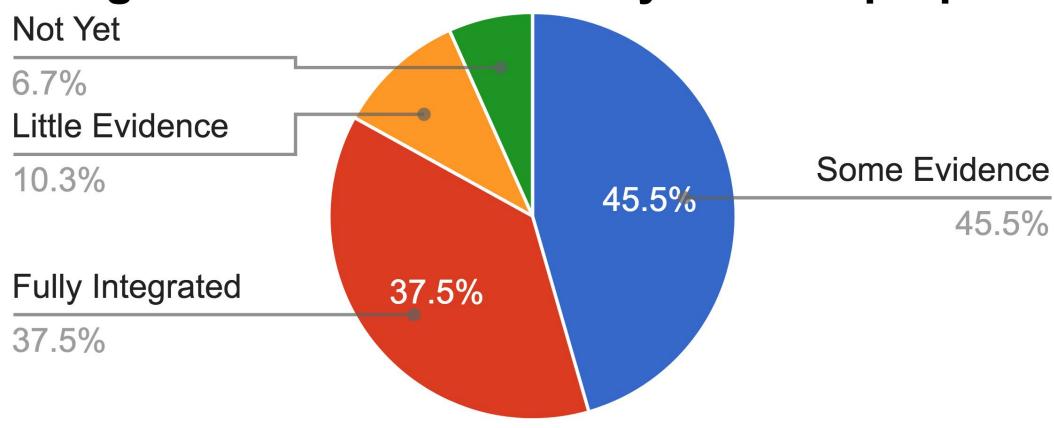




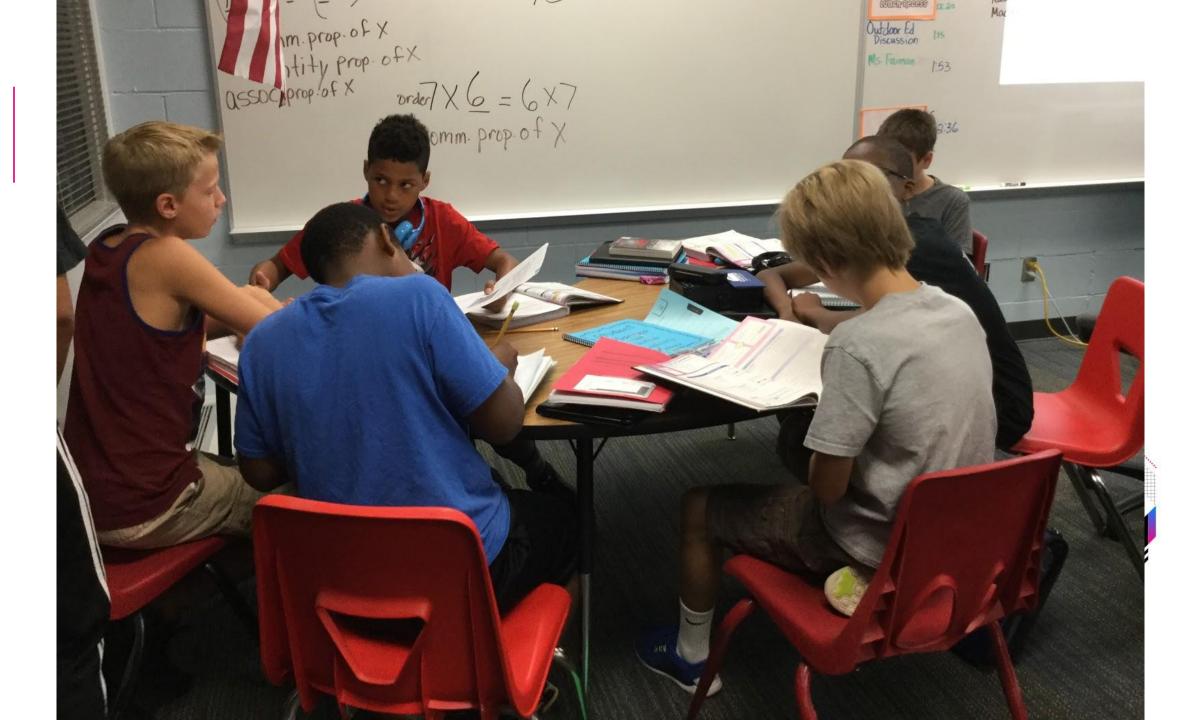




Classroom Culture [Classroom space is designed and used creatively for multipurpo...

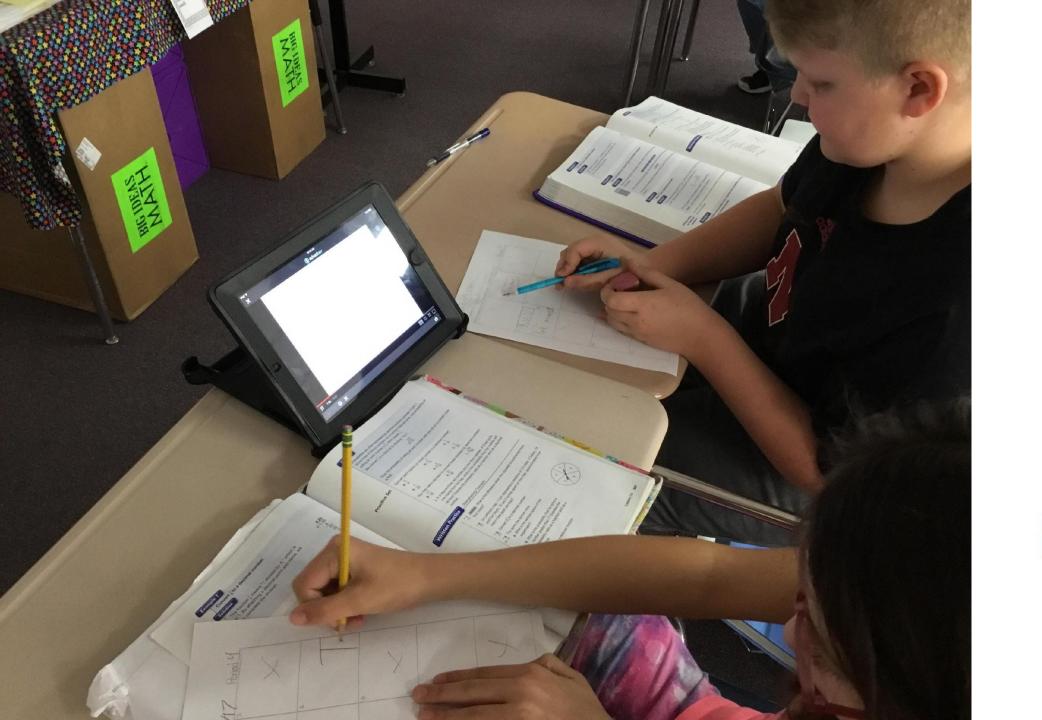


Collaboration and Small Groups



"I JUST LOVE HOW I CAN WORK WITH A SMALLER NUMBER OF STUDENTS IN MY ROTATIONS. I KNOW WHO IS RESPONDING AND WHO IS NOT.



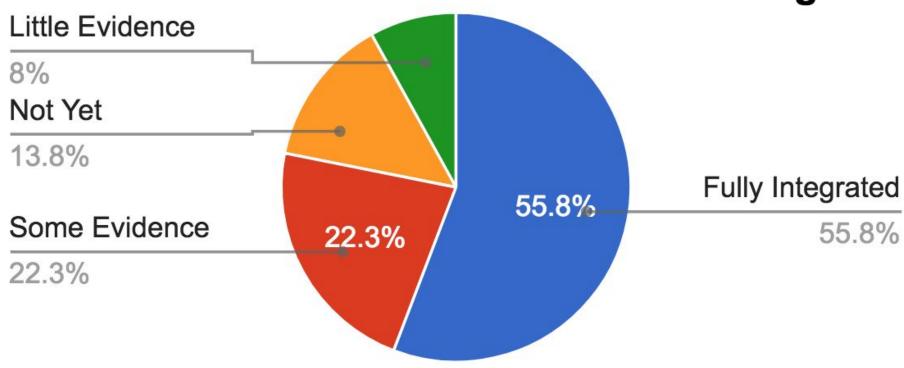








Instruction [The teacher spends the majority of the observed instructional time working w...



Impact of Teaching and Learning

"I AM SO EXCITED AGAIN ABOUT TEACHING. I LOVE BLENDED LEARNING."

"THIS IS VERY HARD. IT TAKES A GREAT DEAL TO PLAN. HOWEVER, STUDENTS ARE VERY ENGAGED, AND THIS IS VALUABLE."







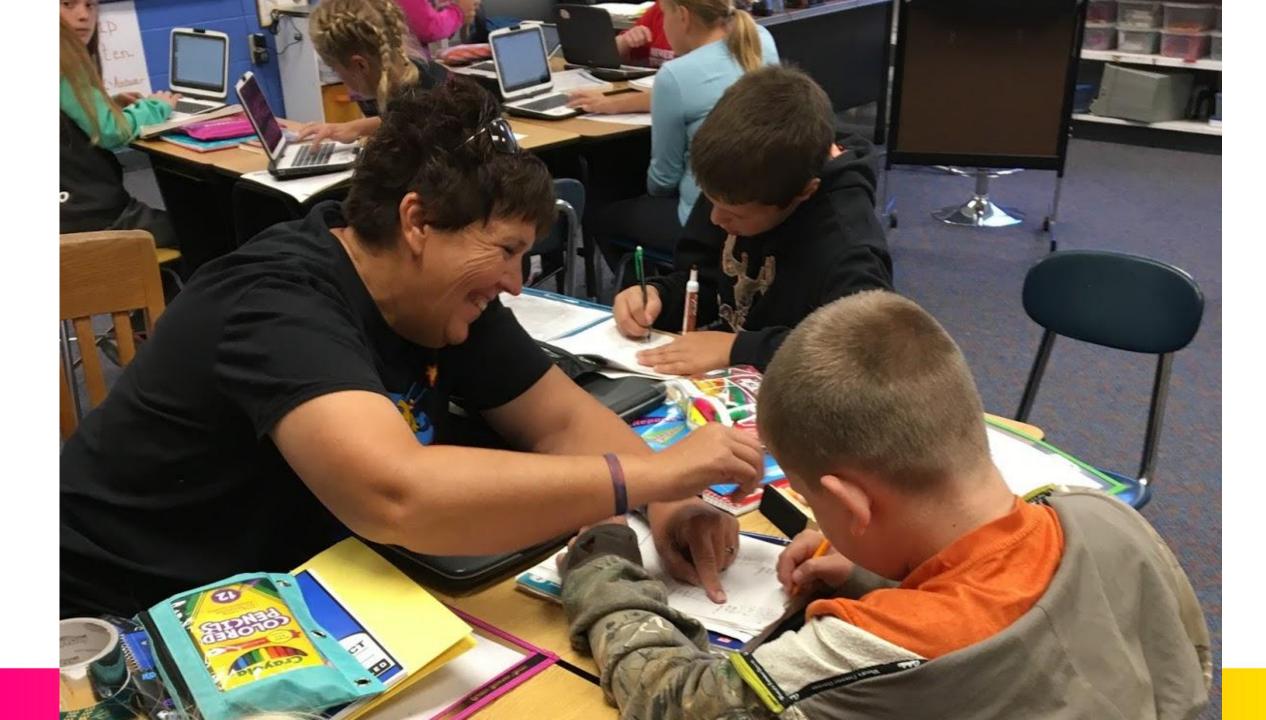




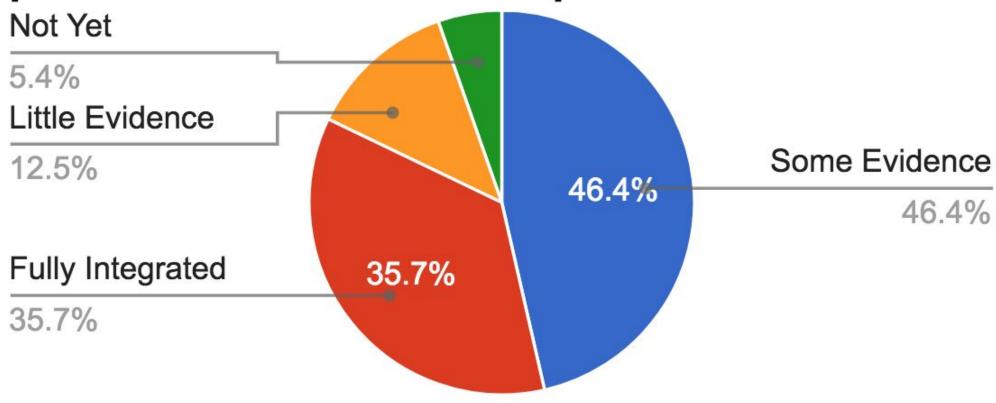








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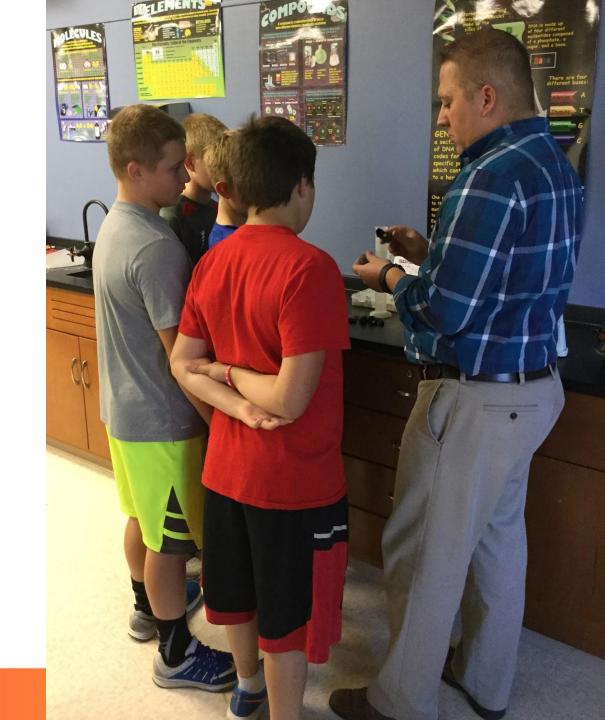
Differentiated and Self-Paced Learning

"I AM ALLOWED TO ADVANCE AT MY OWN PACE. I CAN THEN ASK THE QUESTIONS I HAVE, INSTEAD OF QUESTIONS FROM OTHER STUDENTS THAT I ALREADY KNOW THE ANSWER TO."





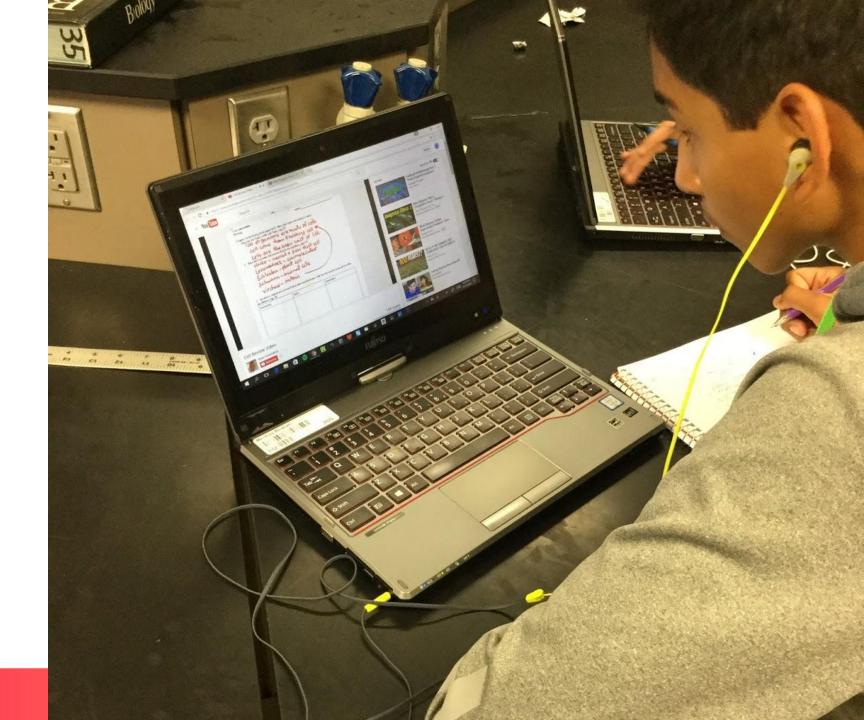
"I FEEL THAT WE ARE **COVERING MORE** CONTENT. I AM MEETING THE NEEDS OF THE UPPER LEVEL STUDENTS. IF A STUDENT WANTS TO JUST BREEZE THROUGH, THAT JUST DOESN'T HAPPEN."



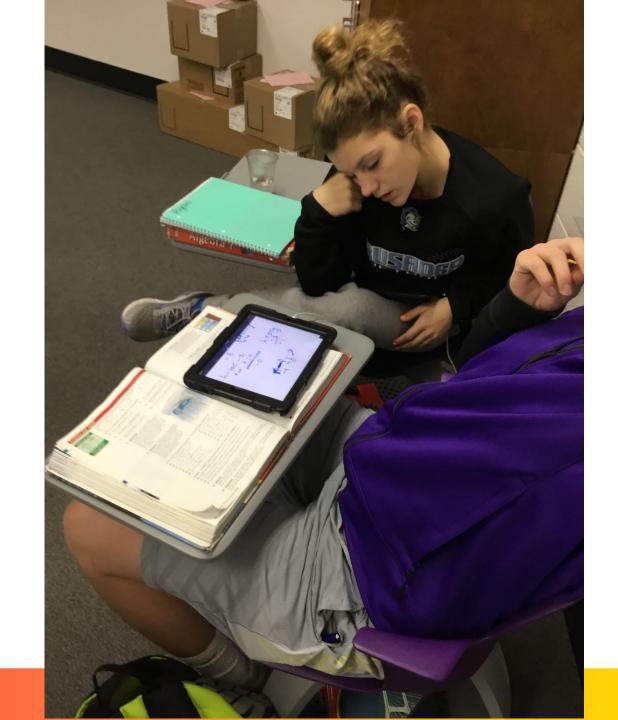
"I LIKE DIRECT INSTRUCTION.
BUT WITH ROTATIONS, I CAN REACH THE STUDENT AT THEIR PACE, AND AT THEIR LEVEL."



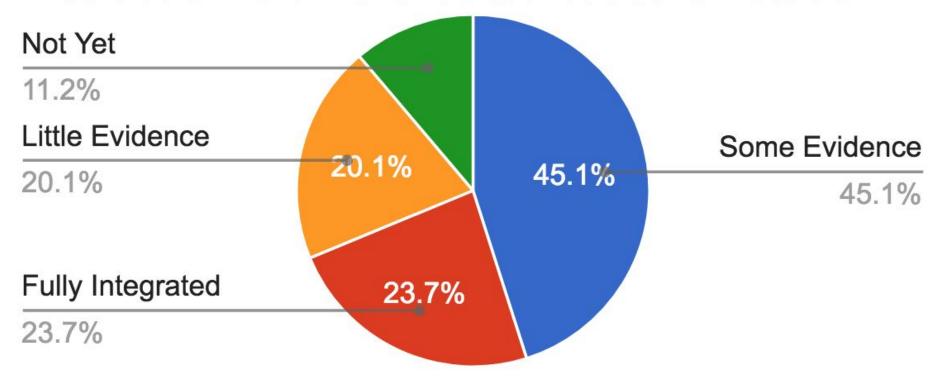
"I LIKE TO GO AT MY OWN PACE. I CAN TAKE CONTROL OF MY OWN LEARNING.



"I LIKE THIS STYLE OF LEARNING. IT'S MORE CASUAL, BUT I AM STILL LEARNING WHAT I NEED TO LEARN."



Instruction [The modality, or type, of instruction is differentiated based on studen...

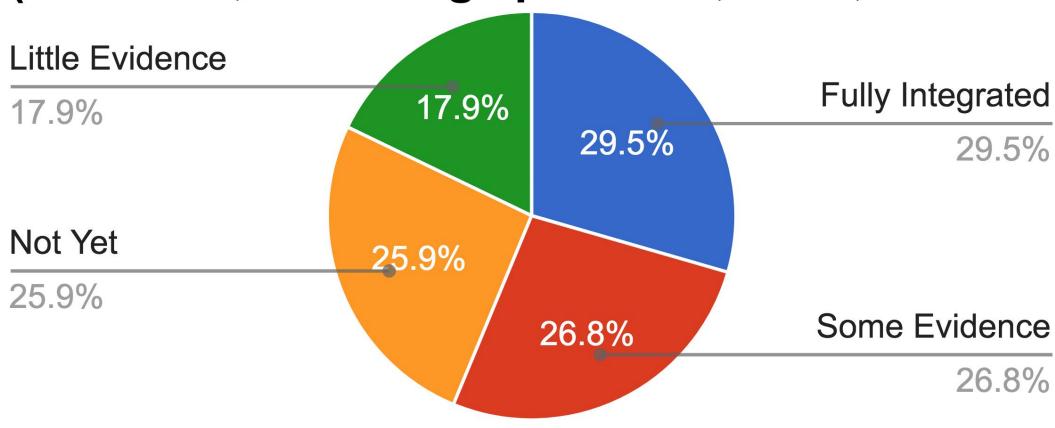


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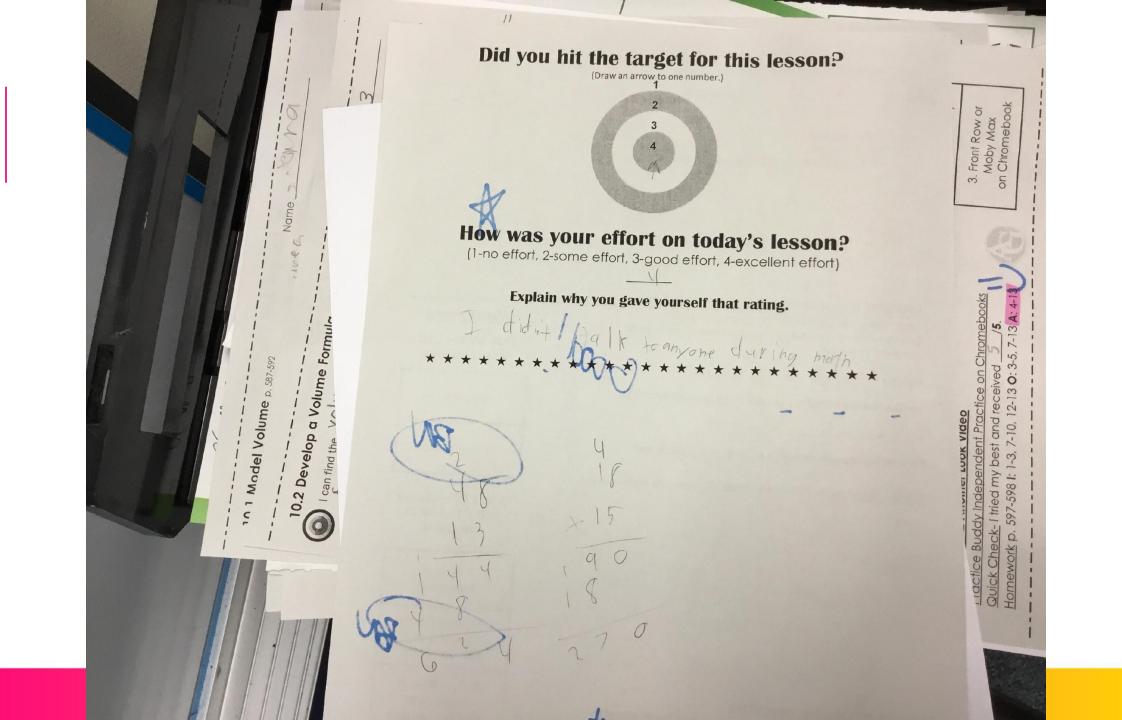


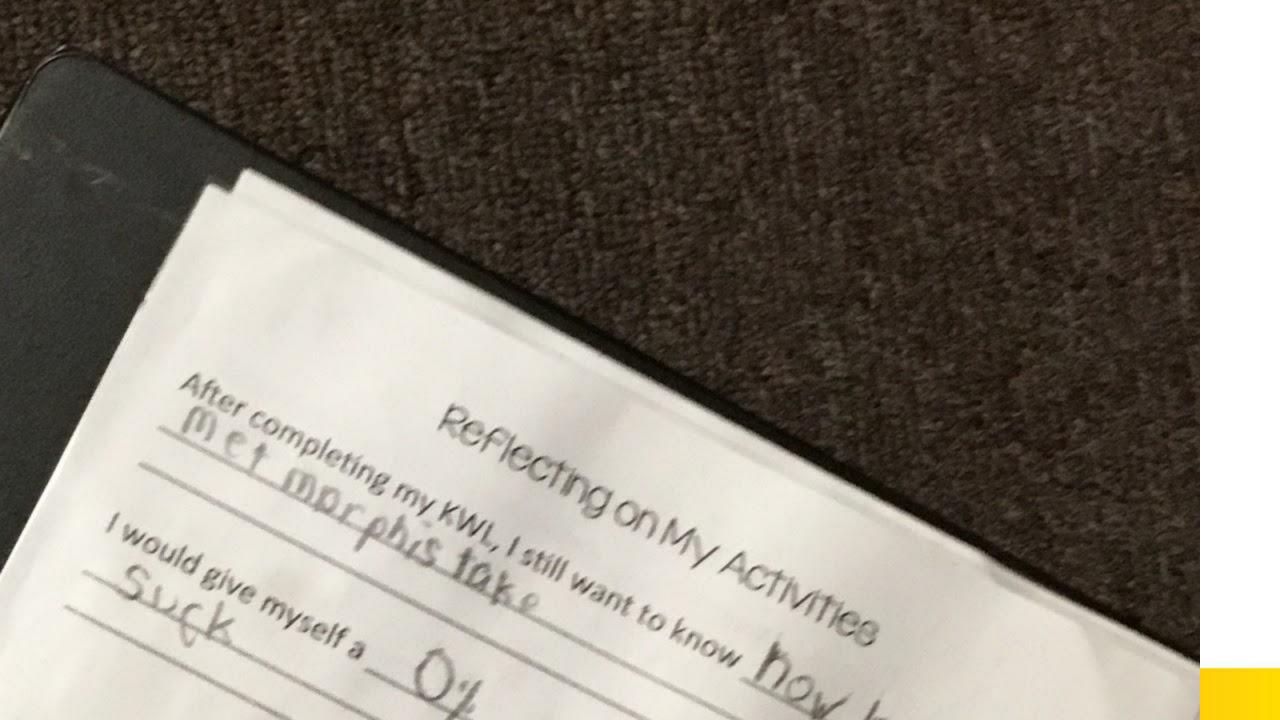
Student Learning Experience [Students create (solutions, knowledge products, tools, reso...

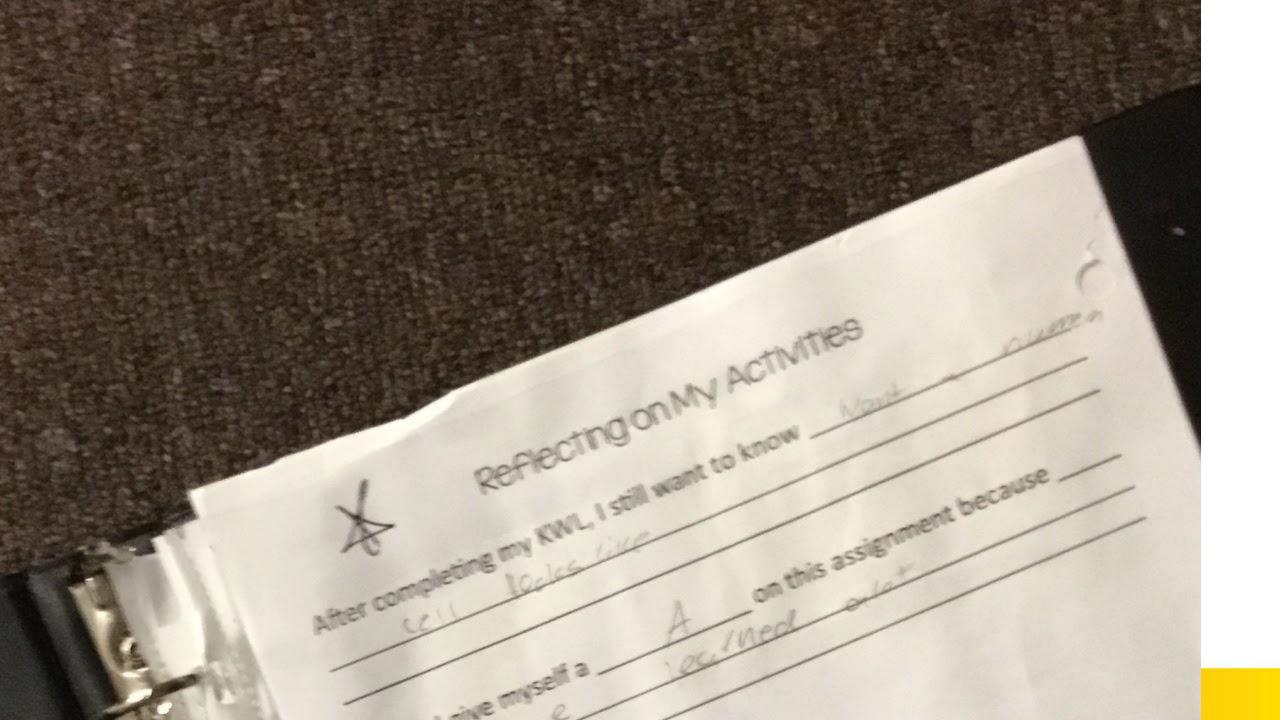


Voice and Choice

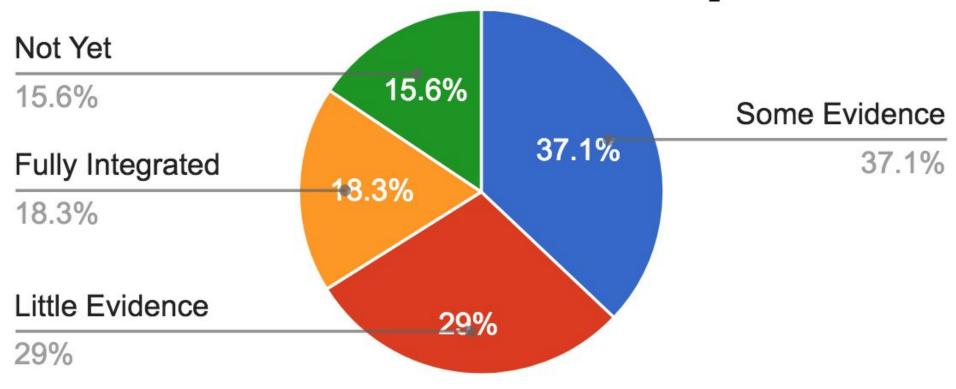




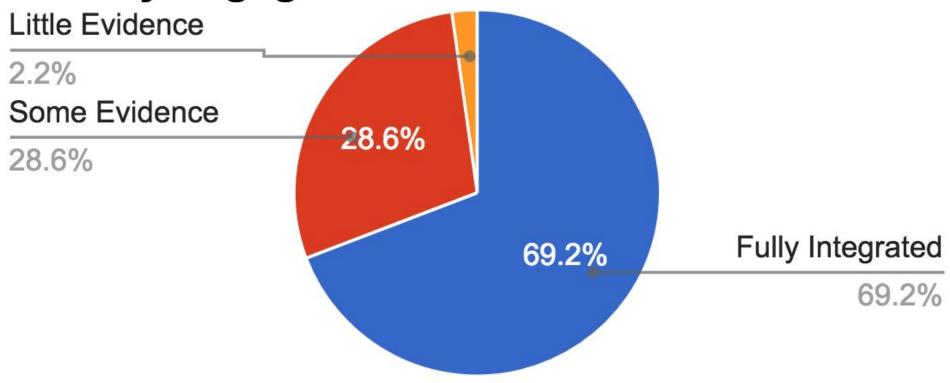




Student Learning Experience [Students have a voice and choice in the classroom.]



Student Learning Experience [Students are actively engaged with the content for the ma...



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16 new schools/districts5 continuing from Cohort 1





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