ConnectedPD
from https://ProfessionalLearningBoard.com

ONLINE: Student Portfolios

"I love the idea of having something for parents and students to look back on that represents their learning throughout the year."

– Holly W.

Successfully integrate portfolios to enhance students' development and become an essential part of teaching and learning. The practical tips and suggestions provided in this course will take teachers through the process of implementing portfolios in their classrooms, with factual information clearly linking student learning to the actual goal. Teachers will be introduced to the concept of using portfolios as assessment tools, and the advantages of their implementation to both teachers and students. The resources included show teachers how to capitalize on the students natural tendency to save work, get them to take a second look and critically analyze how they can improve future work.

Questions answered in this course include – How do teachers take on the role of 'portfolio advisors', and guide students through the process of creating and maintain portfolios? What is the relevance of a portfolio? What are the objectives of an effective portfolio? Rich in examples, considerations, suggestions and tips for teachers, this course aims to enhance the teaching and learning experience for students.

Standards:

This course aligns to the INTASC Standards including Learner Development, Learning Environments, Content Knowledge, Application of Content, Assessment, Planning for Instruction and Instructional Strategies.

It also aligns to all of the McRel Teacher Evaluation Standards including Teacher Leadership, Diverse Learners, Teachers Know Content, Teachers Facilitate Learning and Teachers Analyze and Reflect.

Each online PD course includes:

- **Convenient access** anytime, anywhere, any device
- Interactive **online** textbook
- Implement **practical suggestions** immediately
- Demonstrate comprehension with **quizzes** and checks for understanding
- Print **certificates** of completion
- Easily assign courses to align with each teacher's **personalized PD needs**
- **Integrate** with school and district-wide initiatives
- **Low cost solution for all courses, all teachers, all school year**
- **Reports** for school administrators

ConnectedPD.com

ONLINE: Student Portfolios

Course Outline

LESSON 1: Process and Benefits

- Research on student portfolios
- Portfolio benefits and their contribution to learning and development of 21st century skills
- Characteristics of the portfolio process
- Adding power to portfolios with parents as mentors
- Logistics and management of, both paper and digital, student portfolios

LESSON 2: Life Skills

- In-depth analysis of the types of student portfolios
- Primary stages of process, working and showcase portfolios, with practical examples
- Examining the role of teachers as 'portfolio advisors'
- Potential drawbacks of the portfolio process, and practical tips to overcome these
- Giving legitimacy to student portfolios by extending audience beyond the classroom

LESSON 3: Digital Portfolios

- Digital portfolios and their 21st century relevance
- Types of digital portfolios, and their practical implementation
- A systems approach to planning an impressive portfolio
- Examining the key aspects of effective implementation of digital portfolios in the classroom
- Web tools to help students create digital portfolios

LESSON 4: Portfolio Assessment

- Benefits of portfolio assessment, for both students and teachers
- Formative versus summative assessment of student work
- Brief overview of the assessment process, focus and criterion
- Implementing a scoring system with rubrics, presenting results
- Considerations for portfolio assessment