



The North Star Classroom

Strategies to Navigate the Journey Ahead



**TEAMWORK
CHALLENGES**



**PROBLEM-SOLVING
PROJECTS**



**SOCIAL-EMOTIONAL
GAMES + EXPERIENCES**



**PRACTICE
IDENTIFYING GOALS**



**DECISION-MAKING
EXERCISES**



**PERSONAL REFLECTION
ACTIVITIES**

The North Star Classroom is a guide to creating the kind of place where students explore their strengths, learn resilience, and discover their power to create.

Based on best-selling author
Peter H. Reynolds' book

The North Star, the program includes best practices for establishing a positive, creative climate as well as activities and projects that help students develop their interests, strengths, values, and goals.

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	UNIT	SUMMARY	
1	Building Trust and Community	Build community and establish a safe and creative climate.	Identify and adapt strategies you want to use to create a safe space and sense of belonging.
2	The North Star & Author Study	Introduce The North Star book and encourage students to observe, to wonder, and to consider diverging from the well-worn path to pursue their dreams as an organization and as individuals.	Give your organization a blank book and colored pencils at the beginning of the year, semester, or the beginning of a project to document your journey together.
3	Preparing for a Journey	Develop students' self awareness and allow them to share their interests and passions.	Have students consider their personal histories and cultures and how those add value to the group.
4	Along the Journey	Examine strengths that will help students navigate the world effectively and uniquely.	Have students share their top 5 strengths and reflect on interdependence by engaging in teamwork challenges.
5	Knowing What's Important	Engage in meaning-making by identifying personal values.	Identify your organization's values, mission, and motto.
6	Future Thinking	Envision their future selves, set goals, and practice the skills that will help them reach their goals.	Together, envision a better future and then create and monitor your organizational goals.
7	Solving Real Challenges	Navigate challenges by using creative problem solving.	Identify and complete a creative project that is important to your students and also adds value to others.
8	"The Beginning"	Celebrate growth. Students share some of their work and ceremoniously begin the next leg of their amazing life journey.	Give each student a blank book at the end of the school year and tell them, "Now you get to write your personal beginning."