

Guided Observation

This form is designed to help you identify positive teaching techniques and routines used by your cooperating teacher so that you can improve your instructional skills. Discuss these after you fill out the other side of this sheet during the observation.

1. How does the teacher focus students' attention for learning? What words and actions does the teacher use?
2. What routines/procedures are used to begin each lesson?
3. What does the teacher say and do to reinforce positive student academic and social behaviors?
4. What materials, technology and techniques help the students learn the course material?
5. What routines are used to transition students from one activity to another?
6. How does the teacher encourage active student participation?
7. How does the teacher manage homework, assignments and student paperwork?
8. Is the objective stated/posted and revisited throughout the lesson?
9. What questions are asked during the lesson? (wait time, level of questioning, critical thinking, etc.)
10. How does the teacher bring closure to a lesson?
11. How does the teacher address individual learning differences?
12. What specific techniques and/or routines will you incorporate in your teaching?

What is the teacher doing and saying?

What are the students doing and saying?