

Pre-PAC Instructional Resource Directory

Education Fundamentals

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Books

A Handbook for Classroom Instruction that Works

Author: Robert J. Marzano; Debra J. Pickering; Jane E. Pollock

Publisher: Association for Supervision and Curriculum Development

Description: This book presents instructional strategies extracted from the research base on effective instruction. Teachers can use these strategies to guide classroom practice in such a way as to maximize the possibility of enhancing student achievement.

Becoming a Teacher

Author: Forrest W. Parkay; Beverly Hardcastle-Stanford, B.

Publisher: Pearson

Description: The comprehensive text, appropriate for postsecondary audiences, addresses functional and foundational topics and provides a well-rounded overview of the teaching profession.

Enhancing Professional Practice: A Framework for Teaching

Author: Charlotte Danielson

Publisher: Association for Supervision and Curriculum Development

Description: The book provides an overview of a framework for teaching focused on teacher responsibilities that enhance student learning. The framework includes four domains: (1) Planning and Preparation; (2) Classroom Environment; (3) Instruction; and (4) Professional Responsibilities.

Experiencing Education 10th Edition

Author:

Publisher: Center for Educator Recruitment, Retention, and Advancement (CERRA-SC)

Description: The textbook for the Teacher Cadet Program is designed to introduce beginning students to the field of education.

First Days of School

Author: Harry Wong

Publisher: Harry K. Wong Publications

Description: The book introduces characteristics of effective teachers and provides strategies for practicing the strategies for both new and experienced teachers.

Introduction to Teaching: Becoming a Professional

Author: Donald P. Kauchak; Paul D. Eggen

Publisher: Merrill (Pearson)

Description: The comprehensive text, appropriate for postsecondary audiences, provides an introduction to the teaching profession.

Lucky to be a Teacher: Life changing Affirmations for Positive Classrooms

Author: Louisa A. Chickie-Wolfe

Publisher: Corwin Press

Description: The book offers core motivating affirmations to help teachers establish goals, deepen self-understanding, maintain a positive perspective in their work, and reinforce their commitment to the teaching profession.

Teaching

Author: Sharleen L. Kato

Publisher: Goodheart-Willcox

Description: The comprehensive text, appropriate for secondary audiences, provides an introduction to the teaching profession and explores the role and effectiveness of the teacher, student, and the school in the learning environment.

Professional Association Websites

Association for Childhood Education International (ACEI)

URL: <http://acei.org/>

Description: The professional association offers membership to teachers and other education professionals and promotes the optimal education and development of children. The website provides publications and links to resources of interest to educators.

Association for Supervision and Curriculum Development (ASCD)

URL: www.ascd.org

Description: ASCD is an educational leadership organization consisting of professional educators and administrators from all levels and subject areas who are dedicated to advancing best practices and policies for the success of each learner. The website provides information, news, and access to resources and publications on a variety of education topics and issues.

Council for Chief State School Officers (CCSSO)

URL: <http://www.ccsso.org/>

Description: The council is a nonprofit organization of public officials who head departments of elementary and secondary education and who provide leadership, advocacy, and technical assistance on major educational issues. Their website features a resources section with access to digital resources and publications.

Kappa Delta Pi International Honor Society

URL: <http://www.kdp.org>

Description: Through its programs, services, and products, the international honor society supports and enhances the professional growth and teaching practices of its member educators throughout the phases and levels of their teaching careers. The "Teaching Resources" section of the website yields lesson plans and other informational and educational resources and publications on a variety of education topics and issues.

National Association of Elementary School Principals

URL: www.naesp.org

Description: NAESP is a professional membership organization serving elementary and middle school principals and other education leaders. Their website provides informational and advocacy resources and best practices.

National Association of Secondary School Principals

URL: www.nassp.org

Description: NASSP is a professional membership organization serving middle level and high school principals, assistant principals, and aspiring school leaders. The website provides membership information and a “Knowledge Center” that provides access to numerous publications and resources on a variety of education topics and issues.

National Board for Professional Teaching Standards (NBPTS)

URL: <http://www.nbpts.org>

Description: NBPTS is an independent, nonprofit organization formed to advance the quality of teaching and learning by developing professional standards for accomplished teaching, creating a voluntary system to certify teachers who meet those standards and integrating certified teachers into educational reform efforts.

National Council for the Accreditation of Teacher Education

URL: www.ncate.org

Description: NCATE establishes high quality teacher preparation through the accreditation of schools, colleges and departments of education. The “public” section of their website provides access to a variety of educational and research resources and publications.

National Education Association

URL: www.nea.org

Description: The professional association offers membership to teachers and other education professionals and promotes and advocates for quality public education for children. The website provides publications and links to resources, classroom management strategies, activities, and lesson plans for educators.

Government Websites

Bureau of Labor Statistics Occupational Outlook Handbook

URL: <http://www.bls.gov/oco/>

Description: This government website provides information regarding careers and the associated duties/responsibilities, work setting, education and training requirements, salary, and projected growth.

United States Department of Education

URL: <http://www.ed.gov/>

Description: The comprehensive website provides news, research, publications, and instructional resources regarding all areas and levels of education.

Federal Resources for Educational Excellence (FREE)

URL: <http://www.free.ed.gov/index.cfm>

Description: The comprehensive website provides a search function to locate and access teaching and learning resources from over 67 agencies and entities within the federal government.

National Institute of Child Health and Human Development

URL: <http://www.nichd.nih.gov/>

Description: This government site provides access to comprehensive, current information, publications, and educational resources that focus on the health and optimal development of children and families.

Other Resources – Curricula, Teaching Materials, Handouts, Etc.

CYFERnet – School Age

URL: <http://www.cyfernet.org/>

Publisher: Children, Youth and Families Education and Research Network (CYFERnet)

Description: The network provides online access and links to practical research-based Information from the nation's leading universities. It includes an entire section of resources that address the needs of the school age child (from kindergarten to eighth grade).

Edutopia

URL: www.edutopia.org

Publisher: The George Lucas Educational Foundation

Description: The website houses teaching strategies, videos, educational blogs, and a variety of other educational resources and publications for K-12 educators that address educational issues and concerns.

Instructional Practices in Education and Training and Practicum in Education and Training

URL: <http://ccfcs.tizrapublisher.com/>

Publisher: The Curriculum Center for Family and Consumer Sciences

Description: The online curriculum, available with a subscription, includes electronic versions of student resources and teacher lesson plans, presentations, and additional resources and tools. The curriculum is correlated to the Pre-PAC competencies.

Principles of Education and Training

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State Developed Curricula and Resources

URL: <http://www.doe.in.gov/octe/facs/NASAFACS/NASAFACS.html#states>

Publisher: NASAFACS

Description: This site provides access and links to state Family and Consumer Sciences Education program websites. Many states provide curricula, instructional resources, and materials for teachers providing instruction in the content areas associated with Pre-PAC Products.

Teacher Cadet Program

URL: <http://www.teachercadets.com/>

Publisher: Center for Educator Recruitment, Retention, & Advancement (CERRA)

Description: The program's primary goal is to encourage students who possess exemplary interpersonal, academic, and leadership skills to consider teaching as a career. The program was developed by CERRA whose mission is to provide leadership in identifying, attracting, placing, and retaining well-qualified individuals for the teaching profession.