



ROGUE Leader

One Page PD: Chat Stations

Educators love to chat! Create a simple set of important questions for colleagues to engage in deep discussion. Model how this method can be used with students. Thanks to Jennifer Gonzalez at Cult of Pedagogy for the inspiration! Try Chat Stations for your next PD session!

1. Create at least 3 - 5 questions that you want colleagues to discuss. (Be sure to develop quality questions that are interesting and inviting so that teachers will WANT to discuss them.)
2. Write each question on a large index card, and spread around a large room (such as a classroom or the auditorium).
3. Invite colleagues to join with a group of three educators to answer their first question. Each group starts at a different chat station. (If you have a lot of people in attendance, make two index card copies of each question.)
4. Leave poster paper next to each question so that participants can jot down notes as they try to answer the question.
5. After about 5 - 10 minutes of discussion, have groups rotate through the room and move to the next question. Do this multiple times so that each group gets to visit each chat station.
6. Leave about 10 minutes at the end of your session so that participants can debrief and share takeaways.

*** For deeper discussion, use only two important questions and extend discussion time to 20 - 30 minutes.