



Classroom Conversations

A place for Georgia educators to share and learn

Directions: Use these questions to facilitate reflection and dialogue during professional learning time around [Episode 302](#) from the [Classroom Conversations Podcast series](#).*

Educating Hearts: Creating A Culture of Compliments

Questions for Reflection and Discussion:

1. What is the difference between compliments and encouragement?
2. Why is it important to give compliments and encouragement to students?
3. Share some examples of how you have complimented or encouraged your students.
4. What role does the teacher have in creating an environment that encourages students to acknowledge each other in a positive way?
5. How can we provide students with opportunities to compliment or encourage each other during class, sports, or school activities?
6. How do you respond when students are insincere or sarcastic in their interactions?
7. Considering [evidence-based classroom practices](#), what is one practice you have fully implemented and sustained and one practice you would like to improve?

* This discussion guide aligns with the [Teacher Keys Effectiveness System- Performance Standard 7: Positive Learning Environment](#). Its design aims to elevate teacher voice and agency in professional learning.



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