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Activity: Important Questions for Us to Discuss

Discuss the following with your teaching partner. Record any information that you want to ensure you remember.

1. When I need to ask or tell you something as you’re teaching, how would you like for me to do that?

2. When I need to ask or tell you something when we’re not together, how would you like for me to do that (e-mail, phone call, text, voice-to-voice app, etc.)? Are any times off limits (dinner time, Sunday afternoons, etc.)? If a matter is urgent, how should I reach out to you?

3. When someone calls the classroom or comes to the door, how will we handle it? How have you and your students handled these types of disruptions in the past?
4. How/when/where will we discuss confidential student information?

5. What is the one student behavior that absolutely drives you nuts (and how can we handle this together)?

6. What is the one thing that I can do to immediately brighten your day when you really need it?