



# Forming Positive Relationships with Parents, Students, and Communities

## Course Syllabus

### Course Description

This course focuses on first understanding the struggles that today's students face and how they impact learning in the classroom. Secondly, it focuses on understanding how to create a positive learning environment and its importance. This course helps educators form positive relationships with students, parents, and community members. Educators will also learn about the importance of these relationships as they correlate to student success. By the end of this course, educators will have several strategies that will help them form and maintain positive relationships with all stakeholders.

This course enhances classroom teaching effectiveness and supports improved student outcomes by introducing new knowledge in positive relationship building: how to create positive learning environments and build strong, supportive relationships with students, parents, and community members to enhance student success.

### Course Objectives

At the end of this course you should be able to:

1. Identify how challenges like poverty and family life impact student success in the classroom.
2. Describe the importance of creating a positive learning space for students.
3. Describe the importance of forming positive relationships with students.
4. Describe the importance of forming positive relationships with parents.
5. Identify ways in which you can form positive community relationships.
6. Identify strategies for maintaining positive relationships with students, parents, and community members.

### Modules

- Module 1: Understanding Impacts on Student Learning, Quiz 1
- Module 2: The Importance of a Positive Learning Environment for Students and Teachers, Quiz 2
- Module 3: Forming Positive Relationships with Students, Quiz 3
- Module 4: Forming Positive Relationships with Parents, Quiz 4
- Module 5: Forming Positive Relationships with Communities, Quiz 5
- Module 6: Strategies for Continuing Positive Relationships with Students, Parents, and Communities, Quiz 6



**Grading:**

Each quiz must be passed at an 80% or higher (three attempts allowed).

**Format**

This is a self-paced, asynchronous (no required live meetings) course. Throughout the PD course, you will find it helpful to take notes along the way to assist with the quizzes. Within each module, you will find reflection assessments that are not graded but will help in your journey through the course. There is an interactive forum in the course to help you connect with peers and instructors, share ideas, and collaborate on best practices throughout your learning journey.