
Success in advanced coursework

Let's Breakout (15 minutes)

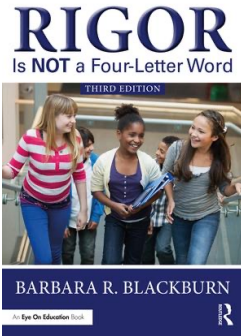
- We will send you to a breakout room in groups of three
- Introduce yourselves and give a brief description of your role in the district
- Discussion: What in your middle school will lead to student enrollment and success in advanced coursework in high school?

Pair discussion

Introduce yourself to your partner and say hello!

Guiding Questions for your discussion time:

1. Discuss responses given during Poll Everywhere
2. Review handout “Pre-AP Shared Principles”
3. Compare and Contrast the definitions of the Shared Principles to the Big Four and then to your view of effective teaching for ALL students
4. Come back to the main room when finished or when time is called for a Poll Everywhere response.



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RIGOR

Is NOT a Four-Letter Word



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An Eye On Education Book

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WHERE is this environment?
WHO is creating it?

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What defines “high levels”?

Supported by who and when?

How do we as teachers know that each student is demonstrating learning at high levels?

When do we see this learning?

Job-Alike Discussion

How is your district promoting access to advanced coursework and leveraging THE BIG FOUR to elevate all students?

What do/can you do in your role specifically to support this work?

Often, we encounter challenges finding students to take advantage of advanced coursework. How do you tackle this in your district?

What challenges would you like help with from this group?

District Discussion

What is your district doing in your middle school(s) related to the THE BIG FOUR to positively impact students' outcomes....

- Grade appropriate assignments?
- Strong instruction?
- Deep engagement?
- High expectations?

What are your biggest internal challenges related to this work?

What can you take away from this workshop that will help your district provide more students access to advanced learning opportunities?

Goal Setting

Decide as a team what your most important goal will be around this work.

Brainstorm a list of action items it will take to achieve this goal in the coming month...semester...year(s).

What's the one action that each member of your team can do to move this work forward?

If there is another team member not present who will share in that work, identify them. What will that person's role be?