Posting On Your Wall: More than Just Facebook

Classroom Bulletin Boards
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How can the use of bulletin boards promote development in children?
Theories of Development
Physical, Emotional, Social and Cognitive Development of Children
Cognitive Development of Children

Cognitive Development

- Arrange objects by size (large to small, or small to large)
- Group objects by color, shape or size
- Know 13,000 words
- Problem solving
- Reasoning
- Thinking
Constructivism

A learning theory created by:

• Howard Gardner
• Maria Montessori
• Jean Piaget
• Lev Vygotsky

Children develop their understanding by building on what they already know...

They “construct” knowledge.
Multiple Intelligences

• A learning theory created by Howard Gardner

• People can be smart in many ways

Thrive in Smartville (click on link)
What are TEKS?
(3) The student identifies the importance of a well-written business plan. The student is expected to:

(A) categorize a business plan and the need for a well-orchestrated business plan;
(B) research business plan outlines, resources, and templates using web search engines;
(C) explain a marketing plan, including price competition, non-price competition, market analysis, competition, marketing research, market segmentation, demographics, and sales forecasting;
TEXAS ESSENTIAL KNOWLEDGE AND SKILLS (TEKS) for All Grades

Texas Essential Knowledge and Skills by Grade Level

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What is the purpose of a bulletin board?
Purpose

- Convey information
- Curriculum overview
- Displays of student work
- Make learning visible
Types of Bulletin Boards
Types of Bulletin Boards

- Display
- Informational
- Interactive
Display Bulletin Board

- Student work
  - Show what is learned
  - Does not require a lot of planning
  - Requires frequent updating
Informational Bulletin Boards

- Reinforce skills
- Place emphasis on items of importance
Interactive Bulletin Boards

- Interactive
  - Manipulatives
  - Give clear, specific instructions
Bulletin Board Ideas

Getting Creative with Bulletin Boards

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Locations of Bulletin Boards
Locations

• Classroom door
• Side of a tall file cabinet
• Closet door
• Tri-board
• Front of the teacher’s desk
• Above/below the white board
• On the wall
Creating Engaging Bulletin Boards
Bulletin Board Displays

- Simple
- Attractive
- Functional
- Appropriate
Simplicity

“That's been one of my mantras - focus and simplicity. Simple can be harder than complex: You have to work hard to get your thinking clean to make it simple. But it's worth it in the end because once you get there, you can move mountains.”

~ Steve Jobs
Attractiveness

- Colorful
- Interesting
- Engaging
- Visually appealing
Functionality

• Purpose
• Durability
Appropriateness

• Age
• Content
Creating a Bulletin Board

December Bulletin Board Idea
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Presentation Skills (Delivery)
Communication

• Verbal
• Body language
• Practice
• Visual aids
References and Resources

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Books:
Early Childhood Education Today, Twelfth Edition by George S. Morrison
This book is a great resource on early childhood education. It covers the foundation of education, programs and resources for children and families, educational needs of infants through the primary grades and the special needs of children and families.

Introduction To Teaching: Becoming A Professional. (Fifth ed.). by Don Kauchak & Paul Eggen
For any student going into the teaching profession, this is an excellent choice. It is an easy read for students on all levels. It covers the changing teaching profession, the foundations of education and how to become an effective teacher.

Textbook:

Websites:
Bulletin Boards and Other Displays
The University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill outlines four ways to use bulletin boards as a teaching tool in the classroom: to reinforce instructional goals, to communicate essential information, to include and motivate students and to make the classroom a more appealing place.
http://www.learnnc.org/lp/pages/733

Bulletin Boards That Make Learning Visible
The Harvard Graduate School of Education describes how to create bulletin boards that teach.

HealthyChildren.org
Gradeschool
This website contains information about developmental milestones for children of all ages.
http://www.healthychildren.org/english/ages-stages/gradeschool/Pages/default.aspx

Interactive Bulletin Boards for Secondary School Mathematics
Bulletin boards can be interactive learning tools in the mathematics classroom, and this website gives numerous examples of interactive math bulletin boards with how-to instructions for creating them. It also gives the instructional strategies that go with each board.
http://faculty.kutztown.edu/schaeffe/bulletinboards/bbs.html

Pinterest
A quick search on Pinterest will give you plenty of examples of bulletin boards in the classroom.
https://www.pinterest.com/erinklein/bulletin-boards/
References and Resources

Texas Association of Future Educators (TAFE)
Advisor Handbook – Competitive Events
http://www.tafeonline.org/?page=CompetitiveEvents

Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service
Family and Consumer Science
The AgriLife Extension website provides teachers with useful information about educating children.
http://fcs.tamu.edu/

WebMD
Growth and development, ages 6 – 10 – what to expect
This site has information about the developmental milestones of children.
http://children.webmd.com/tc/growth-and-development-ages-6-to-10-years-what-to-expect

YouTube™:
December Standards Based Bulletin Board Guide
Ms. Daniel from www.msdanielsclassroom.edublogs.org shares her December Standards Based Bulletin Board display. She includes helpful tips and design ideas for creating monthly classroom bulletin board displays that are creative, easy to assemble, low (or no) cost, and demonstrate rigorous student learning.
http://youtu.be/vzeMWXWkZog

Getting Creative with Bulletin Boards
Slide show of creative bulletin boards.
http://youtu.be/OhryLSx1DBw

Multiple Intelligences Thrive in Smartville
At the Enota Multiple Intelligences Academy, in Gainesville, Georgia, students know exactly how they are smart.
http://www.edutopia.org/multiple-intelligences-immersion-enota-video