



DIOCESE OF WILMINGTON
PROFESSIONAL MENTORING PROGRAM

SAMPLE PROFESSIONAL GROWTH PLAN FOR 2023-2024

Name:

Date:

Target Growth Area: Effective Use of Technology in my Special Needs Classroom

Goals:

1. Increase my knowledge of technology strategies/tools/apps for use during individual and small group instruction with special needs students.
2. Demonstrate the effective use of at least five new technology strategies/tools/apps during individual and small group instruction with special needs students.

Specific actions/initiatives and approximate timeline for each action/initiative for each goal:

Goal 1 (October-December 2023)

- a. Through online research, create a list of ten or more effective technology strategies/tools/apps to use with special needs students.
- b. Speak to/learn technology strategies from four special needs teachers who use technology regularly.
- c. Visit at least two of these teachers' special needs classrooms and observe technology being used.

For Portfolio:

- a. Bibliography of sites visited as well as copies of materials found online and/or notes on each strategy/tool/app, specifically on how and when to use these strategies/tools/apps.
- b. Notes from my discussions with the special needs teachers and/or materials they share so I understand how/when technology is used.
- c. Notes and/or pictures on effective technology usage in the classes observed.

Goal 2 (January-March 2024)

- a. Choose five new strategies/tools/apps to use and include the use of these in my lesson plans.
- b. Do a self-assessment each time a new strategy/tool/app is being used – successful or not and why.
- c. Get feedback from my mentor, an experienced teacher, and the assistant principal via observations that I request – a minimum of 3 observations.

For Portfolio:

- a. Copies of lesson plans with technology usage highlighted
- b. Notes from my self-assessments; I may include notes from my older students
- c. Written feedback from at least three educators who have observed me while new technology strategies/tools/apps are being used

Mentor Signature/Date _____

Diocesan Facilitator

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