

differentiated KINDERGARTEN by Marsha McGuire



Current Professional Development Sessions

1. Transform Your Mornings With Morning Work Bins- Say goodbye to boring worksheets and hello to amazing morning work bins! Discover how to transform your morning work routine with engaging and interactive morning work activities that use fine motor to address essential skills in Math and ELA. As your students progress and master more complex skills, learn how to evolve your morning work bins to keep them challenged and excited.
2. Helpful Handwriting Hints - Learning handwriting in kindergarten can be a fun and exciting adventure for your little ones. However, mastering this skill requires time, patience, and effort. As a teacher, you play an important role in guiding your students and making the process engaging and enjoyable. Let Marsha help you with tips and ideas on how you can make handwriting practice more fun for your students.
3. Getting in the Game - Gameplay is highly popular among students. Whether you're looking for a game for your entire class or a smaller group, these games will keep your students engaged and motivated to practice important skills! Get ready to have some fun and gather great ideas for games that you can create and play in your own classroom.
4. Sensations Sensory Fun - It's time to bring back sensory play in early childhood classrooms! Sadly, some teachers have taken away sensory tables and bins because of a lack of time or a mistaken assumption that they aren't 'academic.' But fear not! Marsha has some amazing ideas on how to incorporate sensory play while still meeting standards and differentiating activities. Get ready to discover fun and exciting ideas that align with standards and will impress your students and administrator.
5. Differentiating Math Centers for Success - Make math stations the best part of your student's day by incorporating fun and engaging activities that cater to their unique interests, learning profiles, and abilities. Marsha offers invaluable insights and strategies that will elevate your math stations to the next level! Discover innovative ways to streamline your materials and cultivate a classroom environment that empowers your students to become independent and engaged learners.
6. Creating a Class of Sight Word Masters- Transform your students into sight word masters! Follow Marsha as she takes you from mapping words to reading to creating a community of students excited and eager to map and master sight words. This session will demonstrate multi-sensory ideas and activities that will have your students begging to practice sight words and show you how to easily differentiate activities and games so that all students can feel successful.
7. Fabulous Fine Motor Fun - Are you looking for ways to make learning fun while also helping your students strengthen their fine motor skills? Look no further! Marsha is here to share some exciting and challenging activities that can not only enhance those important muscles but also improve math and literacy skills. Plus, she has some great tips on how to create Fine Motor Take Home Kits for a great home-school connection. Don't let time constraints hold you back - let's get started!
8. Keeping Kindergarten Developmentally Appropriate - As students are being pushed to learn more at a younger age, developmentally appropriate practices (DAP) are being left behind. It's time for teachers to reclaim DAP and recognize how differentiated instruction can support that effort and create an optimal learning environment. In this session, Marsha is here to guide you on how to incorporate sensory, gameplay, dramatic play, and other hands-on activities into daily lessons. Say goodbye to worksheets and hello to learning that meets the needs of all students.
9. Differentiating Literacy Stations - Learn how to create literacy stations in your classroom that foster independence, engagement, and meaningful activities, leading to student success. Marsha can guide you in organizing, implementing, and maintaining differentiated stations that help students practice essential skills to become successful readers.
10. Moving & Grooving with Differentiated Instruction - Teachers of young children know how important it is to make sure your students are engaged and learning in a way that works best for them. One great way to do this is by incorporating fun, physical activities into your lessons. But it's not just about music and dance! In this session, you'll discover how to tailor your math and literacy exercises to kinesthetic learners. You'll love all of Marsha's ideas for making your classroom a welcoming space for movement.