Empowering & Equipping our Colleagues

With Ready-Made Tools to Support our ELs When We’re Not in the Room

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Hello!
I AM CARLY SPINA
Norms

*Take pics! Tweet/post/share

*Presentation available later

*Time to grab seats for lunch!
What we’ll discuss today

- The Why
- The Tools
- Surprise Tools
"In many schools, the EL specialist... goes it alone. The EL classroom is viewed as the one-stop shop for all the needs of English language learners- testing, translating, counseling, editing college applications, and even health care. Mainstream school personnel may abdicate responsibility for the needs of ELs because they believe that the specialist understands these students better" (Rance-Roney 2009)
"There is a need for a critical shift: the shift is that all teachers are teachers of ELs and responsible for supporting their social-emotional well-being, acculturation, language development, and overall school success."

Why tools or toolkits?

This is our in with teachers and teams!
But WHY?

We are not “just” teachers...

We are instructional leaders.
We are change agents.
We are the front line.
We are advocates.
A little about the tools...

* Teacher created
* Shared with permission
* Linked & ready for use
Tool Time

WIDA NAME CHARTS - By cluster & Can-Do (link)

...Share with who?
* Classroom Teachers
* Specialists
* IEP Team
* Problem Solving Team
* Fine Arts Teachers
* PE Teachers
* Building Leadership Team

... & whoever provides a service to our students!

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Proficiency Snap Shot

Rings (link)

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Identifying our Language Norms...
(link)
What we say matters...

They can’t…
They can…

They aren’t motivated…
How can we motivate our student?

He is low in both languages…
He is developing in both languages.
Empowering ELs

Created by:
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Student Sorting Sticks (link)

To promote student interaction
SIOP Interaction Kits
ELL2.0 Website (link)

Created by: Irina McGrath & Michelle Shory

*Can Do Clickable
*Strategy Support
*Translation Tool
In this room, we have 38 languages!
-It's a surprise tool that will help us later
Social Media has transformed my practice.
Twitter/Facebook as a Tool

* Instant connections with other practitioners, authors, gurus, experts, & passionate allies

* Chat, brainstorm, swap ideas

* Share articles, videos, strategies, & resources

* Don't want to post? Just lurk!
Let’s look at Twitter.

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Do not let your discomfort with technology take away from a great opportunity.
Click here for my list of social media favorites!
Surprise Tool
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Stationary

Birthday, Thank You, Sympathy, Hello
The person sitting next to you…

#ChangeAgents
Trust your kids.
Love them hard.
Celebrate them. Hold them accountable.
Lift them up. Lift up their families.
They need you.
We need each other.
thanks!

Let’s empower each other.

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