Working With Teaching Assistants

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Goals:

• Compare/contrast roles of teachers and TAs
• Provide tips on building positive relationships with your TA(s)
• Provide a taste of what future PD regarding supervising TAs will look like
"TEAMWORK:
Working well with other people from different disciplines, backgrounds, and expertise to accomplish a task or goal."
Real Advice from Teachers for Teachers

Teach 4 the Heart
Advice from a Former Teaching Assistant

Caitlin Mulvey, Panelist
Role Differentiation
• In your folder there is a blank Venn Diagram
• Work together at your table to complete what you see as responsibilities of the teacher, the TA and both
• We will share out in 5 minutes
Kara Azria, Spec. Ed. teacher, Panelist
Thank you!
Caring
Have Fun!!
Thanks for Noticing
Respectful Division of Roles and Responsibilities

Chelsey Crosby, Panelist
Helpful Tips
• **Schedule** using a visual display – who will be where, when?
• **Delegate** as well as pitch in together
• Don't ask your TA's to do something you wouldn't do
• **Effective communication** is HUGE!
• Have clear, consistent procedures and **routines**
• Show appreciation with small tokens (affirmation)
• When asking for **feedback**, put in the form of a question
7 Functions of Effective Supervision

1. Planning
2. Provide Orientation
3. Scheduling
4. Delegating
5. On-the-Job Training
6. Monitor Performance
7. Manage the Workplace
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"Unity is strength... when there is teamwork and collaboration, wonderful things can be achieved."

- Mattie J.T. Stepanek