



## Embrace a new instructional model.

Teaching is moving away from the long lectures and “drill and kill” models of yesterday. These techniques aren’t personalized, they deliver content in an unengaging way and, unsurprisingly, student outcomes are stagnant.

Before you jump into a new education model, perform an instructional needs assessment. This will help your district clearly identify challenges to ensure the model, and the technology that supports it, will be effective. Whether you choose to develop, adopt or remix an existing model, choose one that fulfills these best practices.

**Ensure full integration with technology,**

including an explanation of the use of digital tools within the model.

**Include a sequence of entry points** that feature new learning (usually whole-group instruction or I-do), guided practice (we-do, they-do), independent practice (you-do) and small-group rotations that involve the 4Cs and authentic project-based learning (real-world connections).

**Develop mastery assessments** at each entry

point to measure students’ understanding and address learning gaps using such methods as technology checks, exit tickets, checkpoints, structured peer conversations and communicating data to students.

**Utilize differentiation between instruction types or levels** that allows for a variety of

instructional strategies like flexible grouping, tiered instruction and engaging higher order activities.

**Most importantly, make sure your lesson plans fit the sequence of the model and that it supports a positive and respectful environment.**

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