



Resource Spotlight

A resource brief to support virtual professional learning for division partner staff and families

Resources for Novice Teachers and Paraeducators

This Spotlight features resources for school personnel, particularly novice teachers and paraeducators, professional learning opportunities, and family supports for the new school year.

RESOURCES:

- ❖ [Resources for High Leverage Practices \(HLPs\) for Inclusive Classrooms](#)
GMU TTAC one-page compilation of HLP tools, guides, rubrics, videos and modules
- ❖ [Core Competencies for Special Education Paraeducators](#)
Council for Exceptional Children (CEC) compilation of knowledge and skills that all paraeducators need to effectively support students with disabilities in K-12 settings
- ❖ [Universal Design for Learning \(UDL\) Early Childhood Framework](#)
Head Start Early Childhood Learning and Knowledge Center downloadable UDL framework for increasing access to early childhood education environments and opportunities
- ❖ [New Teacher Resources](#)
Edutopia and Differentiated Teaching resource compilation of tips and strategies for new teachers at the start of a new school year

IN-PERSON and VIRTUAL PROFESSIONAL LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES:

- ❖ [High Leverage Practices Self-Paced Professional Learning Sessions](#)
Virtual Virginia and GMU TTAC series of six professional learning sessions about high leverage practices (HLPs) for inclusive classrooms
- ❖ [Effective and High-Leverage Practices for Paraeducators](#)
Council for Exceptional Children (CEC) free, virtual learning on how collaboration, assessment, behavior and instruction HLPs connect to the work of paraeducators
- ❖ [Features of Explicit Instruction for In-Service and Pre-Service Educators](#) NCII
four-part course including video examples, workbook, application activities, and coaching resources to enhance educators understanding and use of explicit instruction
- ❖ [Mentoring Virginia](#)
Virtual Virginia series of modules and associated resources for mentors of teacher candidates and new teachers
- ❖ [Ultimate Behavior Toolkit](#): What Works Center for Implementation and Evaluation of Education Systems (CIESS) new toolkit and videos on evidence-based strategies that support positive student classroom behavior

FAMILY SUPPORTS:

- ❖ [11 Easy Tips to Really Engage with Families](#)
PBISApps tips to help educators and schools increase authentic family engagement
- ❖ [A 4-Week Plan for a Great Start](#)
Understood one-month planner with daily tips for families to support children in a positive start to the new school year

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