



LESSON 2.8 Status Check

Module #2: Building Relationships & Getting Involved

The high school experience is truly defined by relationships and involvement. Students must learn to navigate relationships with adults in the building, classmates in the Freshman Focus class, and all the other students in the building. And, often the best way to get to know these individuals is through involvement with school clubs, activities, and athletics.

Enduring Understandings

- I. Building positive relationships is an important piece to a successful high school experience, and doing so requires skills, practice, and effort.
- II. Knowing about, understanding, and participating in high school co-curricular, extra-curricular, and athletic activities will create a more meaningful, positive high school experience.

Essential Questions

- I. What are the keys to developing positive relationships? (I)
- II. How can I engage in successful relationships with my teacher and other adults in my school life? (I)
- III. What opportunities are available for me to get involved in my high school? (II)

Lesson Objective(s)

Students will have the opportunity to ask questions, express concerns, and share ideas with student leaders and the faculty advisor about their first few weeks of high school.

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Directions:

1. The freshmen now have a couple weeks of high school under their belts. Now is a good time to debrief and reflect on the high school experience thus far.
2. Divide the group evenly between the student leaders.
3. Student leaders should informally chat with the freshmen about their first weeks: What is your favorite class? What is your most challenging class? How are you getting along with your teachers? How are you getting along with other students? Are you making any progress on your goals to “get involved”? How about your “social” goals?
4. This is also an excellent time to revisit your class goals that were developed during module #1. Is this class progressing towards hitting these goals?

Materials & Supplies

There are no materials/supplies needed for this lesson.

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POINT**

We all need a reminder now and then that there are people out there who care about us – never underestimate how much your freshmen look up to you. Taking a moment to “check in” on them like this can be pretty powerful!

- Create some time for the small groups each to share out. This could generate strong class conversation and discussion.
- Blog/Journal Entry: What can you add to today’s conversation? What did you hear that interested you the most? Any additional ideas or thoughts?

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