

EPISODE 316

Finding The Best Times For Your Classroom Visits



INSTRUCTIONAL
LEADERSHIP SHOW



Essential Question



How can I make time for classroom walkthroughs by finding the best times of day to visit each teacher?

Typical Schedule Problems



- Only early/mid-morning visits
- Always the same subject
- Always the same students
- Lunchtime/afternoon classes missed

A Balanced Approach

- Visit 3 teachers a day
- Only teachers you supervise
- Every teacher every 2 weeks
- 5- to 15-minute visits



Mr. Smith		117	12:17-12:41		5th	
Name		Room	Lunch		Prep	
Period/Subject	Date	Date	Date	Date	Date	Date
1- Alg 1a	10/17					
2- Alg 1b	11/2 ✓					
3- Geometry	9/22 ✓ 1/8					
4- Incl. Geo	11/16 x					
5- Prep	10/5 ✓ 1/17					
6- Alg. 2	12/3					
7- Incl. Alg. 1						



Variety



Visiting at different times of day is crucial for getting the whole picture of a teacher's practice.

Secondary/Period Schedule



Name		Room	Lunch		Prep
Period/Subject	Date	Date	Date	Date	Date

Elementary-Style Schedule



Weekly Schedule				
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday

Intentional Planning



- Look at your 3 notecards for the day
- Identify a class/subject you want to see
- Talk with your team to protect that time
- Combine with other duties/errands around campus



Using Passing Period



- Visit the end of one class
- Supervise halls during passing
- Visit the start of another class
- Or talk with a teacher at these times



Take The Challenge



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GET CURRENT

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MODULE 2

GET INTO CLASSROOMS

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MODULE 3

GET INTO FEEDBACK CONVERSATIONS

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MODULE 4

GET ALIGNED & SPECIFIC

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