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Hello teachers,

We began the day by discussing the attached article as we continued to work on the shift from a teacher directed to a student centered environment. The conversations can be summed up as follows:

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To this end I am requesting the following from our PLCs and teachers:

1) We shared some short videos (Teaching Channel, Edutopia, etc.) that addresses ways to group children collaborating and work in groups with each other. I am asking that each of you find a video to share in one of your upcoming PLCs this month.

2) Allow for us to video tape you and your children in action - establishing our own "Westglades Teaching Channel" where student collaboration is evident. We are establishing a cadre of students that can come in and video tape your work. Also, this can be done through your own iCamera on your laptop.

3) Take the time during your planning to go into another colleague's classroom and see some of the great work you and your colleagues do each day. Specifically, see how they structure their groups.

Our dept. chairs will be by next month continuing to do walk-throughs in their depts.

This collaboration is key to our work.

Thank you,

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