### Now That We Have Them, How Do We Keep Them?



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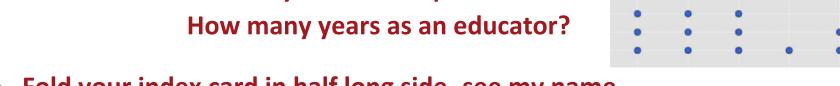
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#### Warm Up

Using the dot stickers provided, please place one for each category-

What is your current position?



- Fold your index card in half long side- see my name card
- Write your first name on both sides in LARGE print







#### What is Happening to our New Teachers?

- Between 2008 and 2019, the number of students completing traditional teacher education programs in the U.S. dropped by more than a third (AACTE, 2022)
- Forty-four percent of new teachers leave teaching within five years (Ingersoll, 2016)
- Teachers at Title I schools turnover at rates 50% higher than other schools (Carver-Thomas, D. & Darling-Hammond, L., 2017)
- Alternatively certified teachers are 25% more likely to leave their school (Carver-Thomas, D. & Darling-Hammond, L., 2017)
- In Florida, there are about 8,000 teacher vacancies, up from 5,000 at the start of school last year (FEA, 2022)

provide Mentor August

#### **Timeline Activity**

How do you support new educators at your school?

Please write one support per sticky note and include the month when the support would take place.

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Use as many sticky notes as you need.



Share with your table



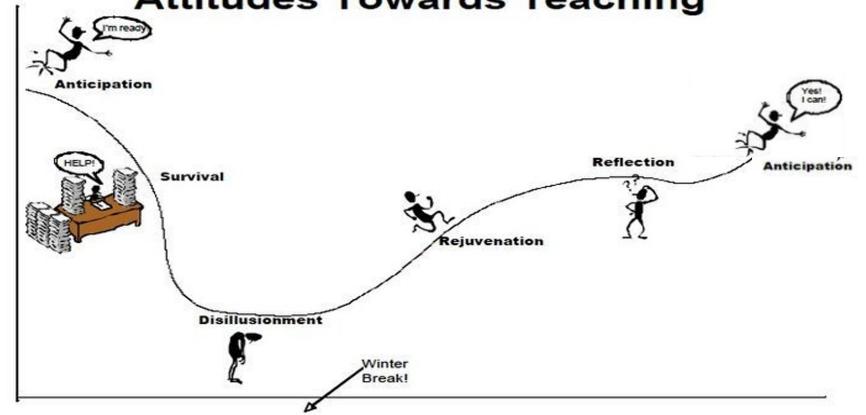
#### **Concerns of New Educators**

- Relationship with students, parents, colleagues, and supervisors
- Work load, time management, and fatigue
- Knowledge of subject matter and curriculum
- Evaluation and grading
- Autonomy and control
- Appearance and identity

McCann & Johannessen



# Phases of First Year Teachers' Attitudes Towards Teaching



## Reality Shock

The idealized perception of "teaching to make a difference" turns into the reality of...

- Discipline
- Administrative paperwork
- Collecting money and forms
- Substitute parenting
- TESTING, TESTING, TESTING...



#### **Support Activity**

 How does the lack of support for new educators affect the entire school staff?

Turn and talk about this question.

Debrief and share.



#### **How Lack of Support Affects Entire Staff**

Cafeteria

Bus drivers (school and parent)

Other teachers

Media Center

Custodians

Front office staff

Clinic (Front office)

Dismissal (Parents)

**After School Care** 





# What is a Beginning Teacher Assistance Program?

"A formal, systematic effort to provide ongoing assistance to a new teacher during the induction period."

Gordon and Maxey



#### Establish a School-Site BTAP!

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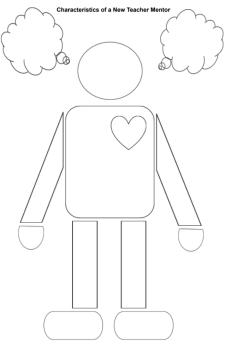
- Ease the transition of new educators into the culture of the school
- Provide for consistency in course curriculum and the implementation of school rules/discipline
- Increase the retention of qualified teachers
- Provide a positive impact on student achievement

#### Mentor Preparation/Selection

- Current mentors must have completed Clinical Educator Training
- Professional Certificate with a minimum 3 years of effective teaching
- Be familiar with the Educator Accomplished Practices
- Be able to establish positive relationships
- Be able to model effective teaching practices
- Have a proven classroom management plan
- Be skilled in effective planning and time management



#### **Let's Build Our Perfect Mentor Together**





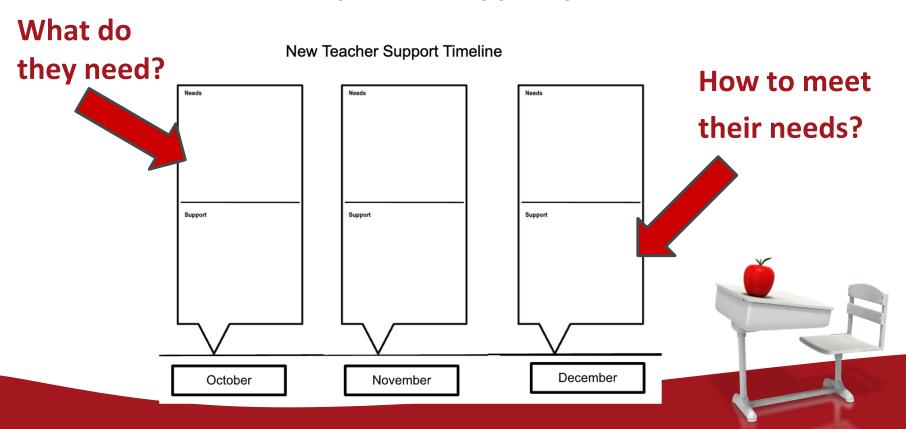
#### Characteristics of a Good Mentor

- Approachable
- Ethical
- Enthusiastic
- Competent
- Sincere
- Ability to listen
- Willing to spend time

- Cooperative
- Confident
- Positive outlook
- Tactful
- Receptive
- Commitment to the profession
- Effective educator

#### What Do New Educators Really Need?

Let's make some plans to support your new educators!



#### Thank you for joining us!

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