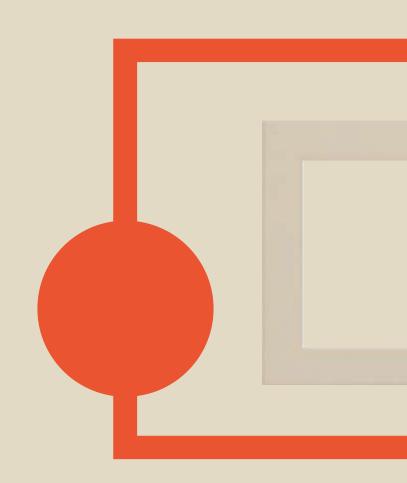
# Personalized Learning

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## Research Purpose

- •The purpose of this study was to first increase preservice teacher knowledge regarding Personalized Learning (PL) through the development of PL modules.
- •Secondly, to build PL rubrics that contain specific "Look-Fors" in the classroom setting. These "look-for" rubrics would be connected to the current teacher Danielson Framework.

- 1) What do preservice teachers know about personalized learning?
  - 2) Does the participation in research collection improve student teachers' knowledge and awareness of personalized learning?
    - 3) Does preparation in personalized learning influence the relationship between the mentor and student teacher?
      - 4) To what extent can preparation in personalized learning impact teacher preparation and comfort level in the classroom setting?

# Research questions



## What the Data Revealed

Journal Themes:

Formative Assessments, Teacher Workload, Classroom Culture

Survey data revealed:





**Personalized Learning** 

Julia Formicola, middle school teacher

# **Voices for Educational Equity**



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## What is Equitable Personalized Learning?



### **Individualized**

Students must work on their own, personalized tracks.



Districts must be aware of and unpack systemic inequities in education.



### **Student-Centered**

Students must do the majority of the working, thinking, and talking in a classroom.



#### **Aware**

Teachers must be aware of their students' identities and needs.

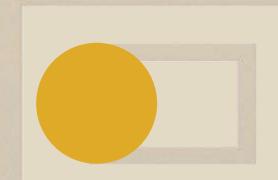
## **How Can You Do This?**

Before assigning a task, consider...

Is this assignment geared toward one type of **learner** or **identity**?

How can student **choice** be incorporated into this assignment?

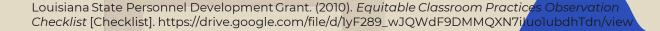
Would all students have the **resources**, **backgrounds**, and **experiences** necessary to perform well on this task?



(Redesign Conference 2020, 2020)

# Equitable Classroom Checklist

- Account for all students' native language
- Seek multiple perspectives
- Ask students how effective your instruction was
- Give each child specific oral or written feedback
- Ensure each student receives individual help



# Instructional Rigor

David Hearn - Elementary School Teacher



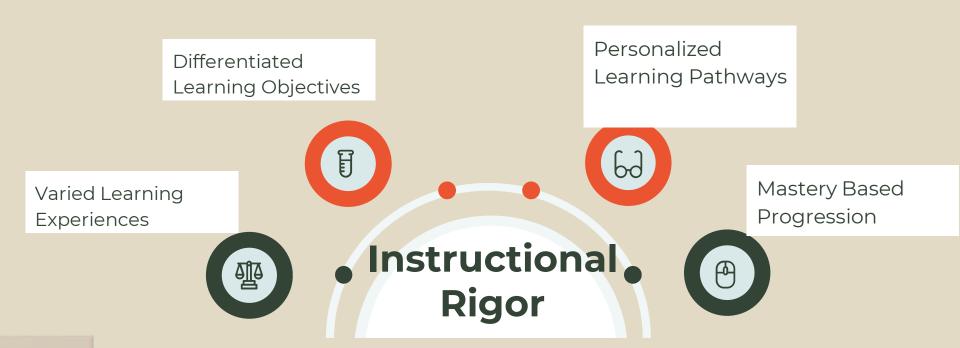
# The Importance of Rigor

Rigor puts the responsibility of learning on students and not the teacher. The teacher facilitates the learning while students investigate and discover on their own.

(Robyn Jackson, 2016)



# What is needed for instructional rigor in the classroom?



### **Application**



### **Pre-service Virtual**

- Differentiated Break-out rooms
- Choice boards
- Mastery based learning (IXL, Khan Academy)

### **Current Teaching**

- Making time
- Student Interests
- Providing choice in assessment
- Facilitating science activities

# **Looking Ahead**

- Student need is varied due to Covid-19
- Current models of education are restrictive
- Higher demand for personalized learning



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