

interpersonal dynamics

Core Belief Discussion Tool

Beliefs	
1. What are my core beliefs about the role of a teacher?	
2. What are my beliefs about students and the learning process?	
3. What are the three most important personal characteristics for a teacher to possess?	

Teaching Styles	
4. What is my approach to instruction in my classroom?	
5. What is my approach to classroom management?	
6. What are my strengths as a teacher?	
7. What do I want to learn from this collaborative teaching experience?	
8. What do I expect a collaboratively taught classroom to look like? Sound like?	

Teaching Partners	
9. How are we similar in our beliefs and teaching styles?	
10. How are we different in our beliefs and teaching styles?	
11. What do we hope to learn from our co-teaching experience?	
12. What do we expect our co-taught classroom to look like?	
13. How will we handle disagreements that may emerge between us?	
14. How can we support each other in this partnership?	

Perceptions	5	4	3	2	1
	(very important)				(not important)
15. How important is it for collaborative teaching partners to discuss beliefs?					
16. If this type of discussion regarding beliefs is not conducted, what might the effect be?					
17. How likely is it that a proactive discussion will enhance the quality of the partnership?					