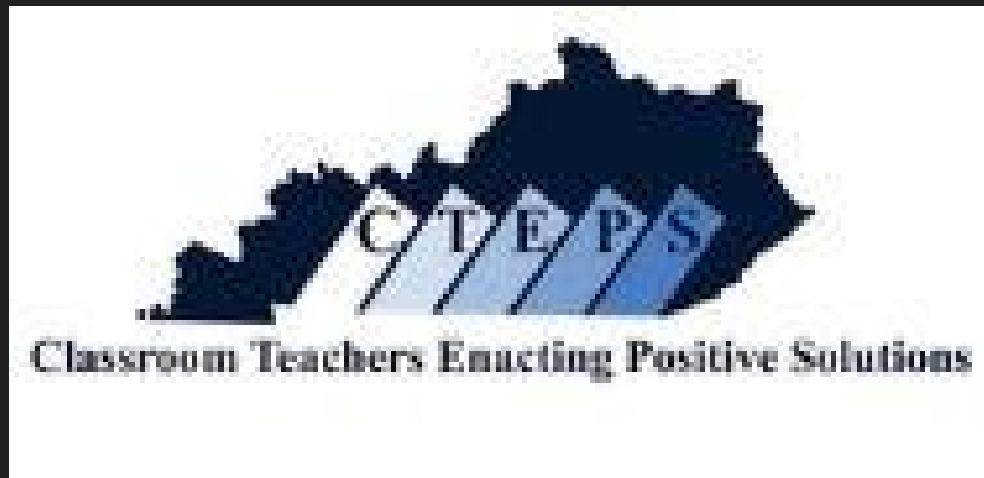


CTEPS

Brooks Elementary

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Introductions



What is CTEPS?

Ms. Lauren Hill

Tiffani Brown

Student Engagement Through PBL (Project Based Learning) **Look At Us Grow!**

This is the journey of my 4th grade class as we take more responsibility for our own learning!! Link to my Blog
<https://cteps.blogspot.com/>

Why PBL?

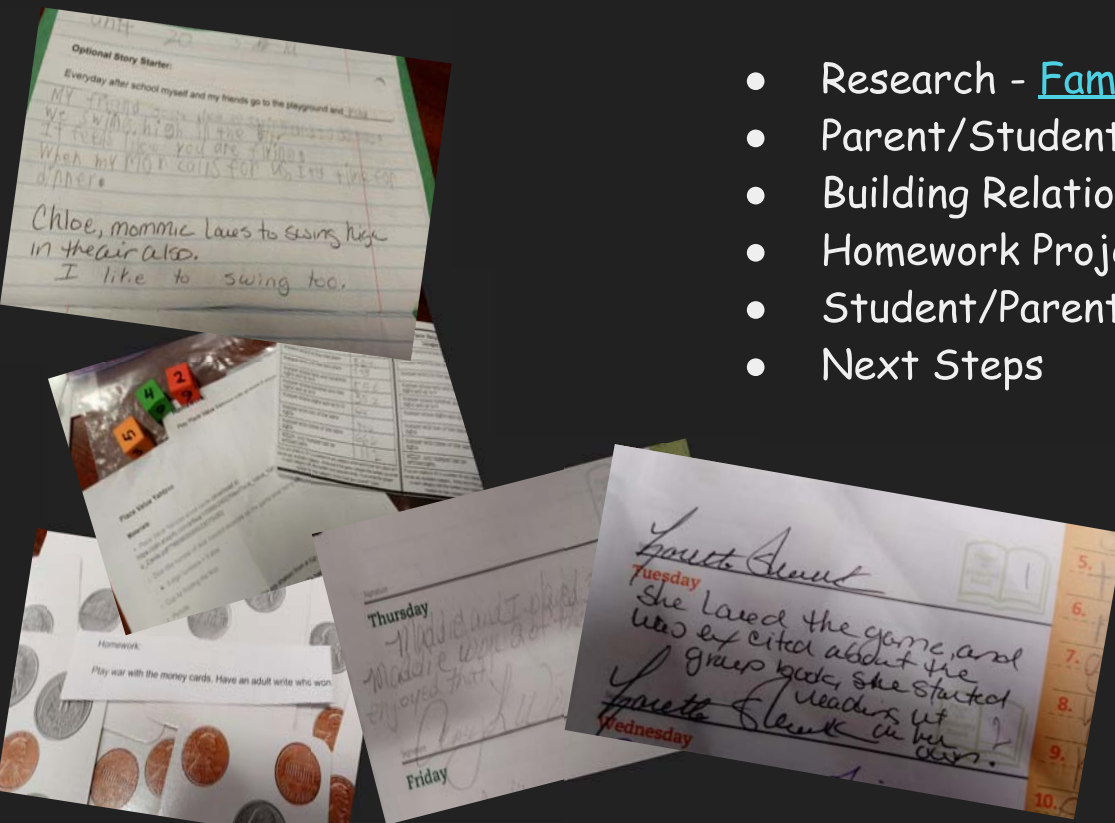
- It has my students excited about their learning. (By far, the best part!!!) *"When are we going to work on our plant projects!?" Arabella D. "Mrs. Brown, I went to WalMart this weekend and I went to the plant section and looked to see how long it will take my flower to grow!" Gustavo T. "Guess what I found out about my plant this weekend!" Jaleigh M.*
- I give them a few guidelines and let them decide how they will find their answers.
- They are working better cooperatively.
- When they have a question, they are researching on their own instead of looking to me to have the answer.
- Positive behaviors have increased during this time!!

Why is CTEPS so important to me? It has given me an opportunity to analyze my teaching and what I could do to make it better and to help my colleagues think differently as well. I have met so many extraordinary educators throughout the state who are doing exciting things in their classrooms and there is no better way for a teacher to grow professionally than to be around other educators who are passionate about their students!. It has shown me that in every teacher there is a leader.

Kathy Denison

Parent Engagement

- Research - [Family Bonding Time](#)
- Parent/Student Surveys
- Building Relationships with the family
- Homework Projects
- Student/Parent Responses
- Next Steps



Shana Clary

Show you CARE and students will begin to SHARE

Start with TEACHERS & STAFF. Provide them with tools they need to help ease social and emotional stress of students

Next, equip the STUDENTS
Then, equip the FAMILIES

[Meet Shubert!](#)

[At Home with Shubert](#)

What CTEPS has done for me



Gina Lyle-Harlow



CURiOSiTY QUEST

[Our Curiosity Padlet](#)

PROCESS

1. Have your question ready.
2. Share ideas with your peers.
3. Record your information.
4. Create a product.
5. Share your results.
6. Have fun!



Why CTEPS?

Improvements can only happen when teachers are empowered.

- Provide opportunity for professional growth vs isolated professional learning
- Get permission to let individual passion dominate learning
- Design thinking process and network of teachers

Teachers make the difference.

No program, or conference, or training, or book will ever beat the power of a passionate teacher in a classroom. If you want gains in your school, give teachers what they need and get out of their way.