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Main topic of discussion Student centered vs Teacher centered learning

(Many points contained in PowerPoint presentation of David Lee)

Student-centered learning:

* Learning is personalized
* Learning is competency-based
* Learning happens anytime, anywhere
* Learning is student-owned

Many respondents felt that an approach that mixed teacher-centered and student-centered learning was needed.

Now a days students feel that work has been done by just finding the information without critical thinking about who created it, is it valid…

Learning is still about obtaining a grade.

Teacher-centered learning is still the norm

Good teachers identify students that get it or not, encourage other students to help those not getting the concepts. They use technology to get immediate feed back in the classroom.

Always need to keep in mind financial constraints on technology.

Technology should be finding the best tool out there at the present time.

Competency-based education…each learns at their own pace.

It necessitates a structure that allows for more personal attention…flexible class time…technology that aids the students in the assessment of where they are at.

What is the purpose of the technology we use at CSHS.

Use of online assessments

Tech skills of our teachers…do they need to be enhanced…how do we go about doing this?

Blended learning

Teachers…how to help all the students get to the same point in class

Need to look at piloting new technologies…new teaching methods…see if they work or not

TPACK model: Technological, pedagogical, content knowledge

Teacher tech leaders, coaches assist their colleagues

Use benchmarks to develop tech plan

Experiment with student-centered pilot-program class

Need to look at the integrating the technology in the Spellman curriculum in the “Spellman way”…what works in our unique environment

Remember technology is only a tool

Need to help each other to develop skills

Teacher still a very necessary part of this educational process…give them the tools so they can do their job.

Is the tech working?? Importance of student feedback

Must make sure that technology plan is beneficial for both the teacher and the student

Experimentation with the use of different technologies in the curriculum.