SPARKS	UDL: Culturally responsive practices are inclusive of the individual strengths and needs of all students.		
	Goal: Create purposeful learning experiences and motivated learners	Goal: Create expert learners who are resourceful and knowledgeable	Goal: Create expert learners who a strategic and goal directed
Student-Centered Building on students' curiosity about issues and topics that matter to them. Fostering student voice/student-centeredness through dialog as part of the learning process. Pose open-ended questions to engage students in critical dialog and provide multiple opportunities for students to respond. Acknowledge and extent student responses. Dialog:T to S & S to S	Engagement Provide student-centered curriculum that is representative of students and their social and cultural understanding of the world and is accessible to them at their instructional levels. Draw on students' lived experiences in the context of family, community, and disability. <i>It looks like</i> - Student dialogue/voice/input - Structured inquiry learning - Prepping students for access schema	Representation         Content is presented in various ways         and adapting material based on         student abilities. Students begin to         understand what information is         available and how to access it.         Students are provided multiple         options to demonstrate their         understanding and mastery of the         material. It looks like         -       Variety of reading materials         at different instructional         levels that teach the same         concept         -       Physical objects (realia)         -       Text-to-speech	Expression Students become expert learners when they are taught to learn within their styles and abilities. Fostering student dialogue, opinions and idea: is essential to the learning process. I looks like - Goal oriented/setting - Use collaborative learning structures such as group presentation with different modes (I.e. power point, acting out, poster, etc.) - Independent time - Access to assistive tech to demonstrate understanding

	<ul> <li>Student choice on assignments that are relevant to individual student interest</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Electronic translation tools</li> <li>Embed visuals to support vocabulary and hyperlinks or footnotes to define/explain</li> </ul>	
Positive Learning Community Build respectful relationships to create safe and positive learning communities where intellectual risk- taking is encouraged. Create the conditions in the classroom where respect for and by students is evident, respect of students' cultural differences is observable, and students' strengths/assets are included in the learning. Nurturing a sense of belonging for all students and classroom participants.	<ul> <li>Engagement</li> <li>When students feel safe in a classroom, they gain the strength to interact in a more engaging fashion.</li> <li>Students learn to embrace</li> <li>differences and encourage each other in learning. Respectful relationships nurture a sense of belonging. Classroom displays that are representative of students' cultures create a welcoming community. <i>It looks like</i></li> <li>Conveying high behavioral expectations</li> <li>Validating all students' questions and opinions</li> <li>Social-emotional learning</li> <li>Seeking student feedback regarding the effectiveness of instruction</li> <li>Community building activities (Think/Pair/Share, Turn and Talk, Gallery Walk, Four Corners)</li> <li>Collaborative Social Agreements</li> </ul>	Representation         When students recognize materials and the presentation of materials are designed for them as individuals, they feel recognized and respected.         A positive learning atmosphere is created when students are encouraged to access their funds of knowledge. Bringing in cultural knowledge helps students to tap into the resources around them and effectively scaffolds learning and helps them learn through their strengths. It looks like         Pre-teach critical concepts         Highlight key elements/items         Interactive models         Checklists or item plates         Flexible groupings	<ul> <li>Expression</li> <li>Assisting students in SEL practices and community-building activities conveys high academic and behavioral expectations. <i>It looks</i> <i>like</i> <ul> <li>A community of learners</li> <li>Provide opportunities for collaboration and reciproca teaching, to increase students' oral language usage, fluency, and comprehension</li> <li>Students use metacognitive strategies to monitor and increase their understandings</li> <li>Different modes of assessment</li> </ul></li></ul>

Academic and Ethnic Identity	Engagement	Representation	Expression
Development Through Cultural	Students who see themselves within	Through relevant content integration	Using student' beliefs, values,
Content Integration	the curriculum, are affirmed by	of material that represents the	knowledge, language, and way of li
Purposefully seek resources that	content that is <b>relevant</b> to them. The	cultural perspectives students make	fosters the development of student
positively portray cultural and	learner seeks out more resources to	connections between home and	gifts and talents to help them reach
ethnic groups . Materials that serve	help understand their identity. It	school and thereby challenge biases	their full potential. Use of relevant
as "mirrors" for students to make	looks like	and stereotypes. Provide	materials furthers the cultural
connections to their own	<ul> <li>Integration of cultural</li> </ul>	opportunities for students to express	competence of all students and aid
experiences.	content	individual identity through project-	in both academic and ethnic identi
	- Supportive academic	based learning. It looks like	development. It looks like
	environment	<ul> <li>Highlight vocabulary that is</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Allow students to share</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Monitoring of student</li> </ul>	culturally relevant	folktales, stories, messages
	understanding	<ul> <li>Bring in background</li> </ul>	that relate to cultural
	<ul> <li>Self-monitoring and</li> </ul>	knowledge and experience(s)	teaching opportunities
	assessment by students	<ul> <li>Representations with visuals</li> </ul>	- Differentiation of
	<ul> <li>Validation of student</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Sequencing of events</li> </ul>	experiential learning
	responses and acceptance of	- Local resources	opportunities
	various perspectives	<ul> <li>Student choice</li> </ul>	
	- Use of counter-stories		
Rigor Through Critical Thinking	Engagement	Representation	Expression
Students are encouraged and	Self-reflection promotes engagement	Providing cultural and historical	Critical thinking increases when a
challenged to think deeply, express	and motivation for authentic learning	relevancy promotes critical thinking	student reflects and shares in a
depth of learning in a personalized	in the classroom. Including self-	and provides challenging	manner most comfortable to them
format unique to them. Application	reflection increases both an	opportunities for students to share	Self-reflection helps the learner
and transfer of knowledge. Teachers	understanding of themselves and the	and grow. Self-reflection helps	identify areas of need, helping to
are encouraged to scaffold material	material. It looks like	students examine their learning. It	define direction and set goals.
using cultural referents.	- Scaffolding	looks like	Lifelong learners honestly reflect o
	- Goal setting	- Encourage students to	experiences. It looks like
Focus on Meta-cognition	- Differentiation with levels of	identify the material(s) with	- Rubric for self-reflection of
and critical consciousness	demands Brouide positive and	interpretation	assignment and for
development.	<ul> <li>Provide positive and</li> </ul>	- Use of graphic organizers	successful task completion
Encourage divergent thinking.	consistent feedback to	- Support students'	<ul> <li>Peer editing and feedback</li> </ul>
	encourage mastery	background knowledge by	options
	<ul> <li>Engaged in sustained thought with critical material</li> </ul>	understanding their perspective of the material(s)	- Presentation rubric

	<ul> <li>Inquiry learning and/or problem-based learning</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Information and resources management techniques</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Building in extensions and modifications</li> </ul>
Knowledge Co-Creation Co-construction of knowledge by using the background experiences and knowledge of the student. Incorporating community experiences into curriculum. Learning with and teaching each other in student-to-teacher and student-to-student interactions promotes confidence and builds academic identity.	Engagement         By using background knowledge to         develop learning, the student         experiences relevance and         authenticity. The teacher is the guide         and the facilitator and the students         are able to direct their own learning         and assist others via dialogue,         example and probing questions.         It looks like         -         Collaboration with peers and         reciprocal teaching         -       Vary instructional grouping         to encourage peer         interaction/communication         -       Cooperative cross-cultural         learning         -       Cross-age peer         teaching/tutoring         -       Collaborative knowledge	Representation         An inventory of students' assets is important to understanding the students as individuals and establishes a humanizing classroom.         Differentiate ways for students to bring their cultural awareness/background into the creation of their experiences with the curriculum. It looks like         -       Diagrams         -       Posters         -       Cultural presentations         -       Parent relationship development         -       Meet with parents to dialogue about their goals and aspirations for their child	Expression         Facilitate connections between hom         and school by inviting caregivers and         community members to tap into a         family's Funds of Knowledge. Valuin         cultural knowledge by providing         opportunities for students to share         that knowledge with others is both         affirming and empowering to         students. It looks like         -         Honoring different methods         of students' sharing         knowledge, such as         storytelling, family histories         and biographies, chronicles,         and other narratives         -       Valuing experiential         knowledge and traditions
	<ul> <li>Inductive learning</li> </ul>		
Social Justice – Civic Engagement Implement historical and contemporary perspective by including examples of people who have and continue to work for a more just world. Examine issues with a connection between themselves, society, and institutions. Increased understanding of social justice issues affecting their cultural group should	Engagement The purposeful learner can see how they are interconnected with local and global events. When the student examines the importance of social justice, community connections are created. Feeling connected to your community creates a sense of personal responsibility increasing civic engagement. <i>It looks like</i> - Inquiry/service learning	Representation Examining local events regarding social justice creates a passion to help affect change. To affect change, one needs to know the historical/social development creating the current injustices. The learner is then able to seek out sources in the community to become engaged and thereby work toward solutions. Students can become	Expression Learners become goal directed when they can identify an issue directly connecting the self to the community. Interconnectedness increases civic/community involvement for change. Creating change requires strategic planning and goals. It looks like - Acknowledging both standard English and local

increase civic/community engagement.	<ul> <li>Promote civic engagement for authentic problem- solving and to promote social justice</li> <li>Promote use of cultural capital from within the</li> </ul>	problem-solvers and experience agency. <i>It looks like</i> - Draw on resources from multiple perspectives - Cross-cultural conversations that challenge the dominant	discourse styles. Supporting students with code switching for different communication demands - Selecting language for tasks (similar to selecting an outfit
	community for mentoring and learning - Community engagement - Integration of current events - Action-oriented projects - Focus on real life issues/applications	<ul> <li>perspective</li> <li>Participatory action research projects such as YPAR</li> <li>Opportunities to reflect on the moral and ethical aspects of the topics studied</li> </ul>	for an event) based on the needs of the task