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24-25 PLD: CRC: SPARKS Deeper Dive for New District Hires

SPARKS is our TUSD-developed approach to culturally responsive teaching, although many of you have received the introductory course during New Teacher Induction this past summer, this course is a deeper dive into the tenants. Culturally responsive teaching is an asset-based educational approach that validates and affirms students' communities and lived experiences. This two-part course will address culturally responsive teaching practices. It is a required course for all TUSD new hires. Part one SPA will deeply examine student-centered, positive learning communities and academic and ethnic identity development, held in session C. Part two RKS will deeply examine rigor through critical thinking integration, knowledge co-creation and social justice or civic engagement, held in session D.