

## Mentoring Using Mediative Questions

In what ways do mediative questions enhance mentoring capacity and student teacher development?

The above is an example of a mediative question. Mediative questions are a way to support mentoring skills. When asked, the recipients of mediative questions need to go beyond reflection and impart problem solving and actions to better their practice.

Examples of mediative questions stems:

- What are your reasons for \_\_\_\_\_?
- In what ways does the strategy of \_\_\_\_\_ increase/decrease \_\_\_\_\_?
- How might you \_\_\_\_\_?
- What similarities/differences were you made aware of \_\_\_\_\_?
- What processes provide \_\_\_\_\_?
- I am wondering about \_\_\_\_\_...what factors contributed to your decision?
- As you approach this next time, what do you want to commit trying?
- How might you know what you have chosen is effective?
- What evidence do you want to see/hear?
- In what ways do you know you met the goals of the lesson?
- I noticed you are \_\_\_\_\_. In what ways does this support student learning/the learning outcome?
- During \_\_\_\_\_, what assessment practices were you using?
- How might the \_\_\_\_\_ affect/contribute to \_\_\_\_\_?
- How has \_\_\_\_\_ proven to be beneficial to achieving the learning outcome?
- What do you think would happen if \_\_\_\_\_?
- What criteria do you use/will you use to \_\_\_\_\_?
- What might you see happening in the classroom if \_\_\_\_\_?