## **ACADEMIC ETHOS**

**Lesson Structure** 

### **Technique: CIRCULATE**

Move strategically around the room during all parts of the lesson.



## **Key: BREAK THE PLANE**



The "plane" of your classroom is the imaginary barrier that runs parallel about five feet in front of the board.

It's important to "break the plane" within the first 5 minutes of teaching—to move out among the students.

#### Goals: AFFIRMATION & ACCOUNTABILITY



#### **AFFIRMATION:**

Maximize time with students to build relationships and reinforce behavioral and academic expectations.



Ensure that your students remain meaningfully engaged and on task throughout the lesson.

#### **TOOLS FOR ENGAGEMENT**

**Engage** to affirm and hold students accountable.

#### **AFFIRMATION**

Smiling/Nodding **Positive Touches** 

**Acknowledgment** 

**Gestures** 

Point to student work

Express appreciation for student ideas

**Precise Praise** 

#### **ACCOUNTABILITY**

Reading student work

Whisper corrections



#### **AS YOU MOVE AROUND THE ROOM:**



Move systematically and avoid a predictable pattern.



Remain facing as much of the class as possible.

To watch champion teachers use this technique, check out the following short video clip: bit.ly/TLACcirculate

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