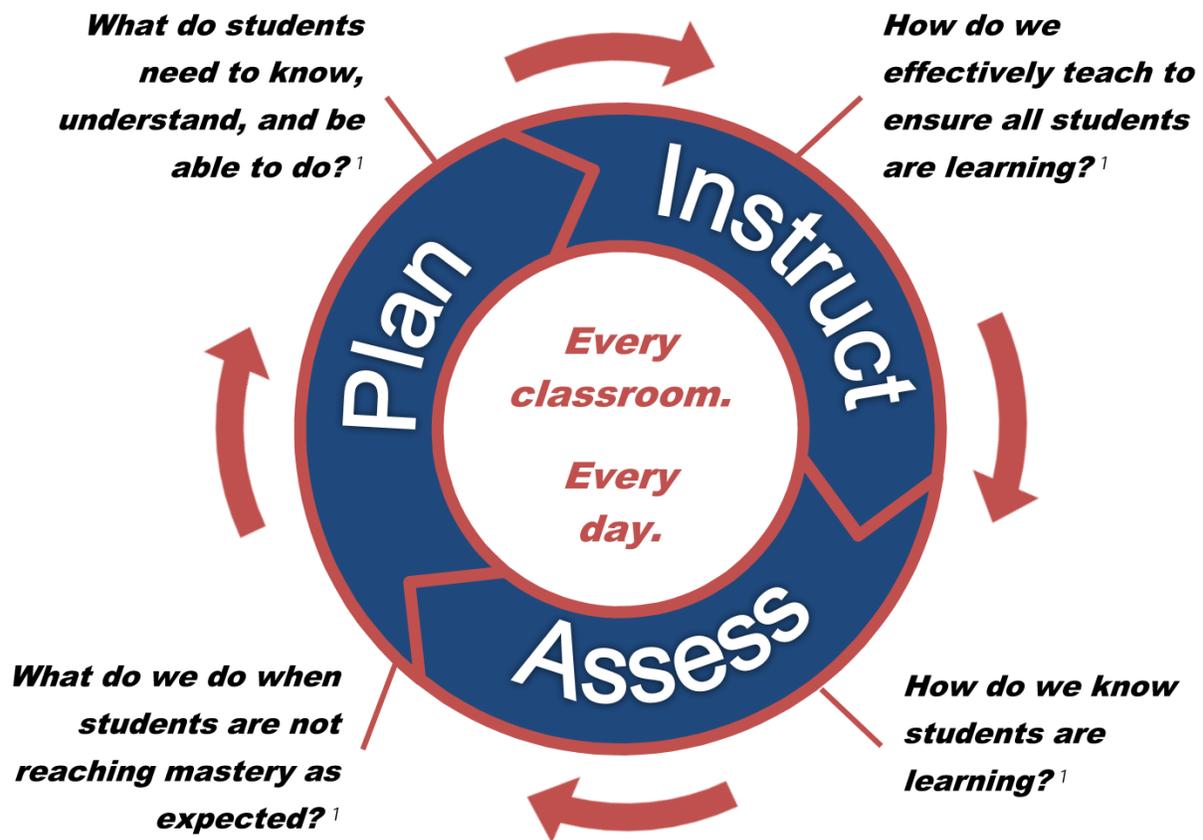


Standards Based Instruction

for educators

“ Standards-based instruction is a continuous teaching/learning cycle that includes the critical elements of planning, instructing, and assessing that are necessary to ensure all students actively engage with and ultimately master the Nevada Academic Content Standards. ”



In 1998 the Nevada State Board of Education and the Council to Establish Academic Standards adopted Nevada’s first academic standards, defining what all students should know and be able to do across grade levels and content areas. For the first time in its history, Nevada established a seamless education system through the intentional alignment of expectations for all students. Since then the Board and Council established a systematic process to review, revise, clarify, and update the standards (based on statewide achievement data and national trends) to ensure that all students are ready for college and careers upon graduation. By statute (NRS 389.019) local school boards are responsible for ensuring implementation of the standards by aligning curriculum, instruction, and local assessments, and the Nevada Department of Education monitors local school boards for implementation of the standards.

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