

Learning Targets and Goal Setting

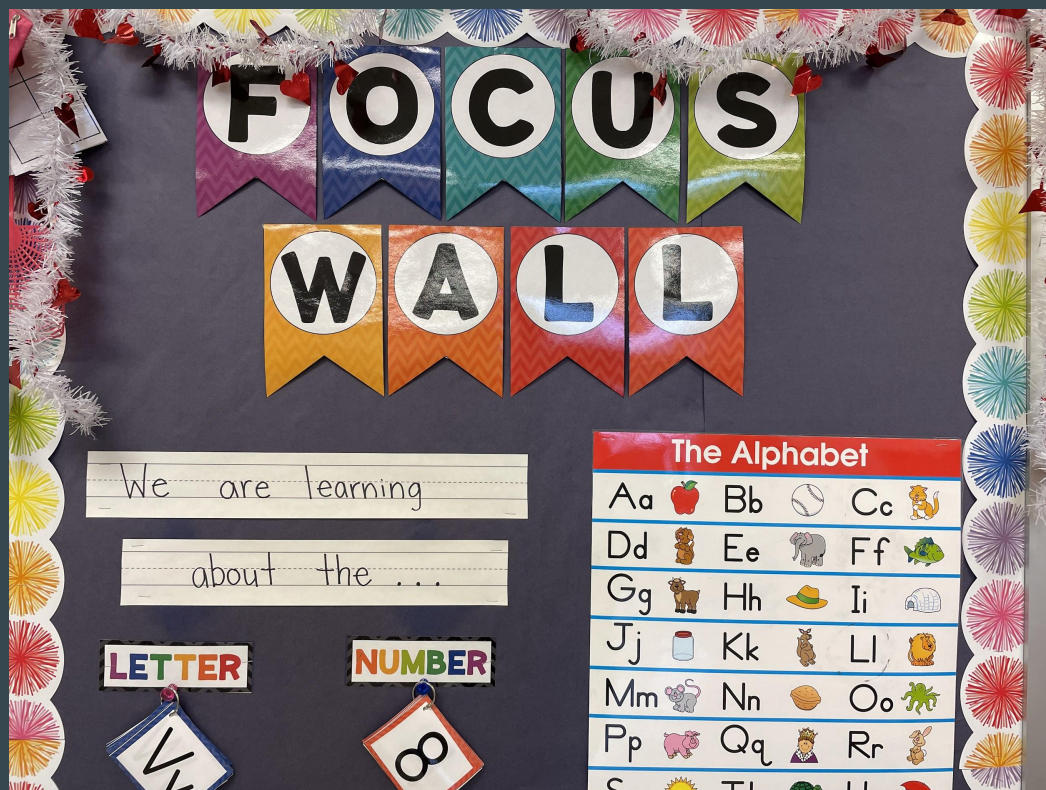
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What is a Learning Target?

Learning targets are goals written in student friendly language that clearly describe what students will learn and be able to do by the end of the unit, theme, class, lesson, etc.

-EL Education: Leaders of the Own Learning





MO Early Learning

Standard:

4.2b: Uses concepts of print- identifies some alphabet letters.

Learning target:

We are learning about the letter V.

**Kid friendly language, describing what we want them to be able to do.*

Why?

For students to learn, they need to know what is expected of them and they need to know what success looks like. Therefore, teachers must create and effectively communicate clearly defined learning targets.

-Teacher Ready

We are learning about the letter V: find → write → match → say, etc.

Learning targets allow students to take ownership of their learning!

How?

- Use a focus wall to implement learning targets!
- Posting learning targets is the first step, but is having them on your wall enough? We must do more for it to be effective!



Who & When

Who: teachers or paraprofessionals!

*It's important that everyone knows and understands the importance of learning targets.

Anyone can utilize focus wall to implement learning targets!

When: before, during & after the lesson



Reflection time & breakout groups

Take 8 minutes to discuss:

- What are you currently doing in regards to learning targets and your focus wall?
- What are you going to change & start implementing Tuesday? :)
- How comfortable are you feeling now using your focus wall to implement learning strategies?



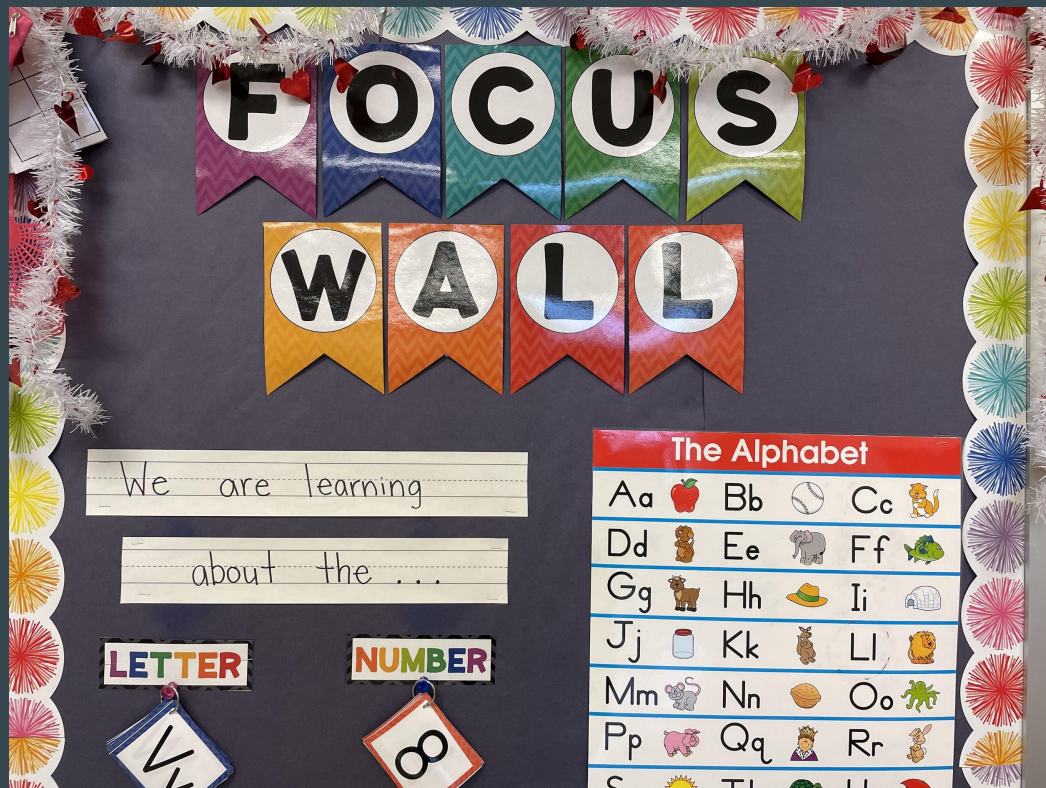
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Where should learning targets be posted?

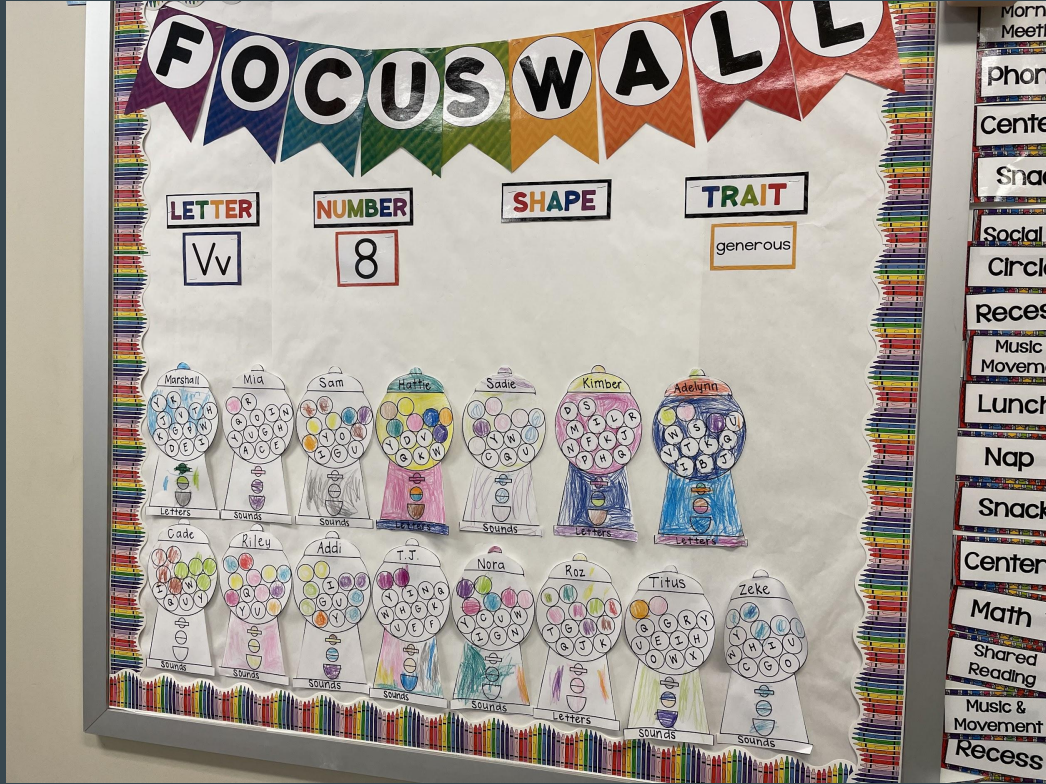
A **focus wall** is a great place to post learning targets!

- May look different in each classroom
- Make them your own
- Use same verbiage:
 - We are learning...
 - I am learning...
- Remember simply posting them is not enough!

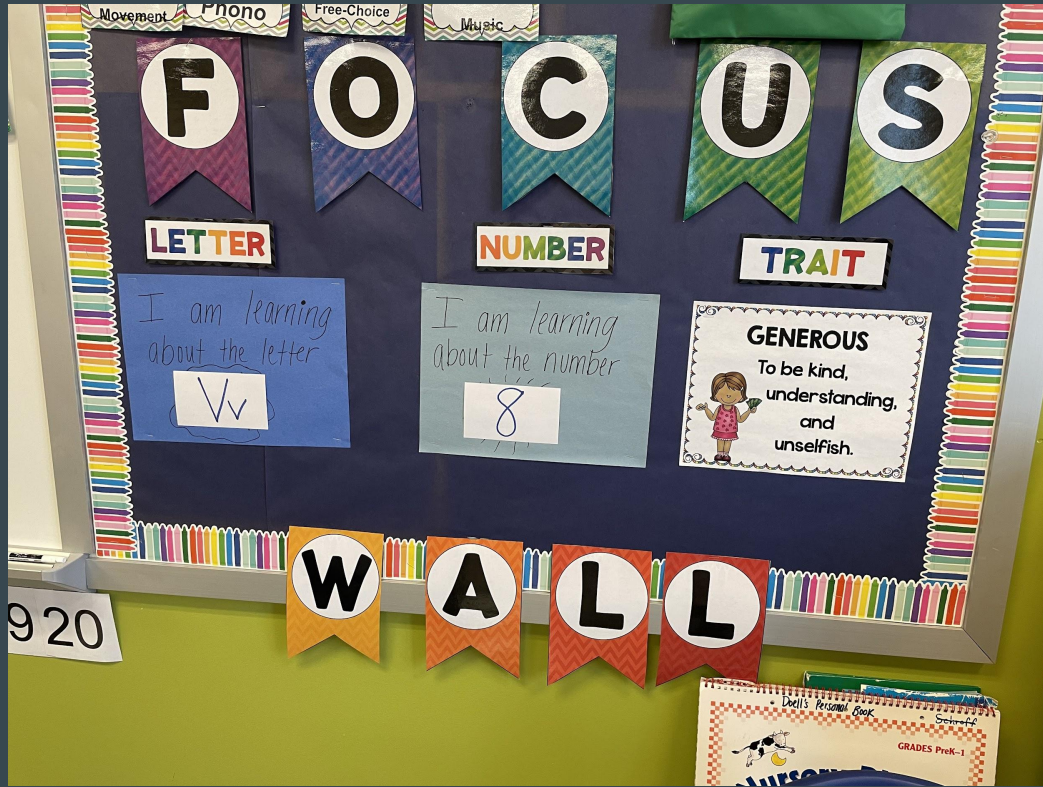




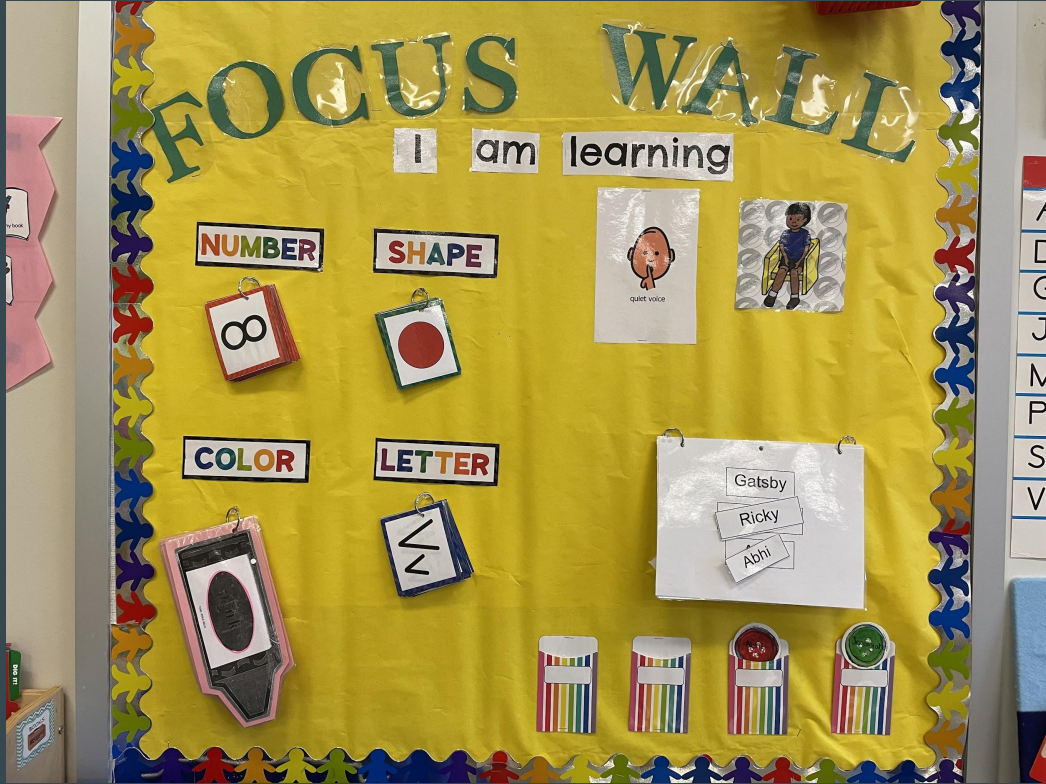
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Learning Targets: Preschool vs. Elementary School

ELC Focus:

ELA

Math

Elementary:

Reading

Writing

Math

Science

Social Studies

LEARNING TARGETS

I can retell stories, including key details, and demonstrate understanding of their central message or lesson.



Reading Standard: Key Details (L.2.2.1)

I can ask and answer questions about key details in a text.



Reading Standard: Key Details (L.2.2.2)

I can explain major differences between books that tell stories and books that give information.



Reading Standard: Key Details (L.2.2.3)

I can identify words and phrases in stories or poems that suggest feelings or appeal to the senses.



Reading Standard: Key Details (L.2.2.4)

I can describe characters, settings, and major events.



Reading Standard: Key Details (L.2.2.5)

I can identify who is telling the story at various points in a text.



Reading Standard: Key Details (L.2.2.6)

Elementary School example

ELC Focus Wall/Learning Targets:

-very manageable!

-great precursor & exposure of what's to come!

Questions? Type in the chat box!

