# The Windsor CSD Instructional Playbook: 5 Elements of Effective Instruction

## **Check for Understanding:**

- Evidence is observable (overt)
- Evidence of ALL students
- Evidence is congruent to the

objective



## Safety:

Predictable classroom environment where every member is physically secure and feels respected, validated, and heard



#### Teach to an Outcome:

- The objective of the lesson is clear to the students
- All classroom activities are aligned with the objective



## **Effective Questioning:**

**Engaged Learners:** 

All students visibly participating in

activities/learning relevant to the objective

- > Congruent (relevant) to the learning
- Invitation for ALL students to think
- A range of questions are used to extend thinking from a base of knowledge to higher order thinking that is more critical and creative