When accomplished STEM teachers

support students articulating, justifying, evaluating, and revising models, arguments, and ideas,

they may do one or more of the following:

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Demonstrate and reinforce the use of shared knowledge and terms (e.g., ground a discussion in shared knowledge and
terms) (T44)
Make clear that all student ideas are "fair game" for examination and discussion (T58) $lacktriangle$ Δ *
Invite and expect all students to share developing and incomplete ideas (T80) ◆*
Position students (instead of themselves) as the authorities on and evaluators of developing ideas (T91) Δ *
Provide scientific or mathematical expertise, background, or vocabulary only when no other student can do so (T81) Δ
Create and protect space for incorrect or incomplete ideas to be examined and discussed (T106)*
Create and protect space for students to articulate, justify, evaluate, and revise their ideas (T107) $lacktriangle$ Δ *
Create and protect space for students to construct and/or reconstruct their own understandings (T108) Δ
Ensure all students have multiple opportunities to share, critique, and revise ideas (T111) ❖*
Provide consistent, diverse opportunities for students to consider the reasonableness of their explanations (T114)
Support students articulating what they understand and/or showing what they can do (T128)
Provide digital, written and/or oral feedback after public sharing (T17) Δ
Provide individual feedback to students on the ways they articulate their thinking and press on the thinking of others (T62) Δ
Ask students to synthesize ideas (T105)

In these classrooms we expect to see a diverse range of students...

Actively evaluating the reasonableness of their conclusions and the conclusions of others (S18) *
Articulating if they agree or disagree with a presented/shared claim (S20)
Clarifying and building on their and other students' ideas (S23)*
Comparing and contrasting ideas (S24)
Defending and justifying their answers with little or no prompting from the teacher (S26) ❖*
Restating others' ideas in their own words (S57)
Using language support structures (e.g., sentence stems, word lists, etc.) to start and participate in small group conversation
$(S40) \Delta^*$
Using non-judgemental language (i.e. focusing on ideas, not people sharing them) (S41) Δ^*

ADDENDUM: Overview of Stances

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Facilitative Begin your conversation by asking questions.

Stance Communicate a positive presupposition that the teacher brings

experiences and skills to teaching. Recall Kyle noting Raven's ability to

build trusting relationships with her students?

Build a sense of autonomy, that the teacher has strengths that are

effective.

Build a trusting relationship where the teacher feels safe taking risks,

sharing her concerns and desire to learn.

Collaborative Switch to the Collaborative Stance when working with you will help

the teacher improve practice. Suggest looking at resources together,

or reviewing a video together.

Instructive When you sense a teacher will be open to suggestions, take the

Instructive Stance. Suggest a strategy or provide a menu of options.

Ask if the teacher might be interested in trying something new with

his or her students.

ADDENDUM: Mediational Language helps hypothesize what might happen, analyze what works, compare plans with outcomes, imagine possibilities.

Some possible mediational questions include:

- What is another way you might...?
- What do you think would happen if...?
- How was...different from/similar to...?
- What sort of impact do you think...?
- What criteria do you use to...?
- How did you decide...?
- How did you come to the conclusion that...?
- When have you done something link...before?

