

Promising Practice 6: *Creating a schedule for 6th grade students that promotes Digital Literacy and Citizenship Skills through the creation of a College and Career Readiness class.*



Promising Practice Description:

- ◆ IS 96 Seth Low has successfully integrated Digital Literacy and Citizenship curriculum into a class for all 6th grade students. Timing and programming are key elements to ensure College and Career Readiness.
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Instructional/ Pedagogical Benefits:

- Teachers can access CSM's curriculum and supporting materials, which are all FREE and sustainable due to availability of comprehensive online training and resources.
- Teachers can integrate Digital Literacy and Citizenship into school's Pacing calendars, in a variety of subject areas.
- Students learn key 21st Century skills in how to navigate the digital world and think critically, behave safely, and participate responsibly - all through engaging Common Core Standards-aligned lessons.
- Students complete thought-provoking culminating assignments, such as an argumentative/persuasive writing piece with evidence providing arguments for or against schools integrating social media into the school day.

Opportunities for Partner Integration:

- Common Sense Media's materials are available for Parent Education Workshops
- ITCs can provide technical support and assist with Parent Education Workshops
- MOUSE Squad projects can highlight the importance of Digital Citizenship
- iLearnNYC initiatives can be aligned with this work

Action Plans/ Next Steps: *Based on what you learned during the Learning Walk, please highlight actions/ next steps with ITCs, your CUNY intern, MOUSE Representative, or DOE CL PM*

Resources Utilized:

- ◆ Common Sense Media's Educators page: <http://www.commonsensemedia.org/educators>