Utah's PK-12 Mathematics VISION **MATHEMATICS TEACHING PRACTICES**

Utah's PK-12 Mathematics Framework challenges educators to develop and extend mathematical proficiency and literacy through:

- The Utah Core Standards for Mathematics,
- High quality, asset-based mathematics educational experiences, and
- Assessment systems that meet the learning needs of each student and provide educators with data to inform instruction and intervention.

Using the appropriate grade-level <u>Utah Core Standards</u> as a foundation, the mathematics learning experiences provide an emphasis on depth over breadth with a focus on the <u>Major Works</u> for mathematics and the support of the <u>Utah Mathematics Core Guides</u>.

In meeting the demands of a changing world, mathematics in Utah will prepare students to think critically, problem solve, innovate, communicate, and collaborate, in line with <u>Utah's Portrait of a Graduate</u>. Students will engage in mathematical experiences through the evidence-based <u>Standards for Mathematical Practice</u>:

- 1. Making sense of problems and persevere in solving them,
- 2. Reasoning abstractly and quantitatively,
- **3.** Constructing viable arguments and critiquing the reasoning of others,
- 4. Modeling with mathematics,
- 5. Using appropriate tools strategically,
- **6.** Attending to precision,
- 7. Looking for and making use of structure, and
- **8.** Looking for and expressing regularity in repeated reasoning.

Teachers will engage students in the <u>Standards for Mathematical Practice</u> through the evidence-based <u>Mathematics Teaching Practices</u>:

- 1. Establish mathematics goals to focus learning,
- **2.** Implement tasks that promote reasoning and problem solving,
- 3. Use and connect mathematical representations,
- 4. Facilitate meaningful mathematical discourse,
- 5. Pose purposeful questions,
- 6. Build procedural fluency from conceptual understanding,
- **7.** Support productive struggle in learning mathematics, and
- **8.** Elicit and use evidence of student thinking.

(NCTM, 2014)

What **Students** are doing:

Students are engaging with mathematics through the Standards for Mathematical
Practice, which looks like:

What **Teachers** are doing:

Teachers are engaging students with the <u>Standards for Mathematical Practice</u> through the <u>Mathematics Teaching Practices</u>, which looks like:

What **Leaders** are doing:

Leaders are engaging and providing space for teachers to engage with the <u>Standards for Mathematical Practice</u> through the <u>Mathematics Teaching Practices</u>, which looks like:

- Opportunities to engage with mathematics in an asset-based manner where all students are seen as mathematically competent.
- Actively engaging in solving context-rich and cognitively deep problems that are aligned with the appropriate grade level <u>Utah Core</u> <u>Standards.</u>
- Regularly engaging in student-led mathematical discourse about thinking and reasoning.
- Exploring and grappling with mathematical ideas before conjecturing about them.

- Believing in asset-based ways for students to engage with mathematics by allowing all learners to be seen as mathematically competent.
- Regularly communicating that everyone can achieve mathematical success.
- Clearly communicating <u>learning</u> <u>intentions</u> and <u>success criteria</u> with learners.
- Carefully selecting <u>rich tasks</u> that support mathematical reasoning, sense making, and problem solving and are aligned with the appropriate grade level <u>Utah Core Standards</u>.
- Crafting and asking targeted questions that help students focus on key mathematical understandings.
- Facilitating student-led mathematical discourse.
- Regularly collecting and using formal and informal evidence to assess student learning and <u>adjusting instruction</u> as necessary to personalize the learning experience for learners.

- Believing in and communicating asset-based ways for teachers to engage students and allowing all learners to be seen as mathematically competent.
- Regularly communicating that everyone can achieve mathematical success.
- Providing time and space for mathematics teachers to engage in collaboration.
- Organizing resources around a shared, evidence-informed vision of student mathematical competency.
- Providing time and space for mathematics educators to engage in collaborative goalsetting.
- Implementing and monitor strategies that support local mathematics goals, resulting in student and teacher growth.



