

# 10 Things To Look For In An Inspirational Classroom



## Passion for Teaching and Learning

Teachers find joy in the pursuit of their own professional growth and that translates into the kind of passion that inspires students to reach for new heights.



## Student-Centered Learning

Children take ownership of the learning process, have a vision to chart their own course and the motivation to learn whatever, whenever needed.



## Opportunities for Solving Real-World Problems

A student's success in the 21st century will be entirely dependent on their ability to think critically and creatively about finding solutions to local and global challenges.



## Ongoing Assessments

Assessments at the beginning, middle and end of units are used as a tool for informing where a student's understanding of a concept is and where that student needs support.



## Time for Reflection

Providing students with opportunities for reflection leads to intellectual and emotional growth.



## Conceptual Based Curriculum

Focusing on concepts allows for more meaningful understanding, the application of knowledge and improved retention which facilitates big-picture thinking.



## Students Have a Voice and Choice

Students who have a voice and a choice in their learning feel empowered to be self-advocates as they research, experiment and take risks.



## Interdisciplinary Connections

Learning becomes more meaningful for students when ideas and concepts are connected through the different perspectives offered by various subject areas.



## Opportunities for Inquiry and Exploration

Students get more excited about their learning when they have the freedom to inquire and explore into the world around them.



## Opportunities to Take Action

Students involved in community service become better problem solvers, gain a greater sense of responsibility and learn that their actions can make a difference.