

Competency Correlation Worksheet

Description:

Picture a graduate of your school. What should each graduate know and be able to do? The Competency Correlation Worksheet provides a table describing the 20 MyWays competencies and prompts you to analyze how your school or district's definitions align or differ.

Purpose:

This tool is a terrific starting place for familiarizing yourself with MyWays and immersing yourself, and your leadership or strategic planning team, in its concepts. By completing the table, you will see how your community's competencies map to MyWays, which can spark discussion and meaning-making on your definition of student success and the competencies that embody it. Since MyWays is a composite distillation of more than 25 major success-definition frameworks, you will have efficiently compared your current "north star" to all of those frameworks at once. Like all MyWays tools, the Competency Correlation Worksheet is flexible and adaptable to many purposes. We highly recommend customizing the tool to fit your needs.

Instructions for Use:

Working individually, compare your school's model of student success against the MyWays competencies by filling in the blank spaces in the table. (Work on hard copy, digitally using the Excel template, or load the template into a Google doc for collaborative editing.) Then as a team, compare your worksheets and discuss using these guiding questions:

- Where is your model strongest?
- What competencies do you feel should be strengthened or added?

Based on that analysis, create an action plan. If there is significant work to be done, it likely means a committed effort to involve your broader community in asking and answering the question: What should a graduate of our public schools know and be able to do, in order to thrive in the complex and challenging world of the 21st century? Refer to the MyWays Community Engagement Deck, available in the Tools section of the website, for suggestions on activities to do with community members in asking that question.

MyWays student competencies for success in college, career & life.

How do our school's competency definitions align with MyWays?

<p>Content Knowledge</p>	<p>English Core Deep English learning and application across settings, aligned with the Common Core and similar standards</p> <p>Math Core Deep math learning and application across settings, aligned with the Common Core and similar standards</p> <p>Science, Social Studies, Arts, Languages Active learning of core disciplinary concepts and their application in a broad selection of liberal arts and sciences, and performing and language arts</p> <p>Interdisciplinary & Global Knowledge Integrated interdisciplinary thinking and empathetic development of global, cross-cultural, civic, environmental, and economic literacies</p> <p>Career-Related Technical Skills The integration of academic, technical, and employability skills in at least one existing career area or emerging problem space of personal interest</p>	
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<p>Creative Know How</p>	<p>Critical Thinking & Problem Solving Ability to analyze and reason effectively, and use systems thinking and design thinking toward solving problems in varied settings</p> <p>Creativity & Entrepreneurship The imagination, inventiveness, and experimentation to achieve new and productive ideas and solutions</p> <p>Communication & Collaboration Oral, written, and visual communication skills and the ability to work effectively with diverse teams</p> <p>Information, Media & Technology Skills Ability to access, evaluate, manage, create, and disseminate information and media using a wide variety of technology tools</p> <p>Practical Life Skills Ability to understand and manage personal finances, health, and independence</p>	
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<p>Habits of Success</p>	<p>Academic Behaviors Going to class; participating fully; completing homework & projects; and managing time & resources</p> <p>Self-Direction & Perseverance Initiative, flexibility and adaptability, grit and tenacity, self-control</p> <p>Positive Mindsets "I belong in this learning community; My ability and competence grow with my effort; I can succeed at this task; This work has value for me."</p> <p>Learning Strategies Study skills and strategies, goal-setting, self-regulated learning, help seeking</p> <p>Social Skills & Responsibility Interpersonal skills, empathy, cooperation, leadership, ethics, and ability to build social networks</p>	
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<p>Wayfinding Abilities</p>	<p>Survey the Learning, Work, & Life Landscape Ability to research and understand information, resources, external barriers, and internal factors relevant to upcoming transitions in school, career, and life</p> <p>Identifying Opportunities & Setting Goals The self-awareness, focus, and strategic thinking to cultivate individual strengths and set goals for learning, work, and life</p> <p>Design & Iterate Prototype Experiences Ability to translate goals into prototype experiences for each new stage or transition, especially the transition from high schooler to independent, contributing adult</p> <p>Find Needed Help & Resources Ability to identify, locate, and secure the time, money, materials, organizations, mentors, and partners needed to support one's plans</p> <p>Navigate Each Stage of the Journey Ability to implement plans in the worlds of education, work, and life, making midcourse adjustments as required based on new experience</p>	
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