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Agenda

- ▶ What is classroom management?
- ▶ Remember When...?
- ▶ Changing Climate of Education
- ▶ How Do People Learn?
- ▶ Active vs. Passive Learning
- ▶ 7 Keys to Better Classroom Management
- ▶ The Real Focus
- ▶ Q & A

What is classroom management?

- ▶ Use of procedures and techniques that promote safe, efficient learning environment.
- ▶ Behavioral expectations
- ▶ Class expectations
- ▶ Social expectations

Remember When...





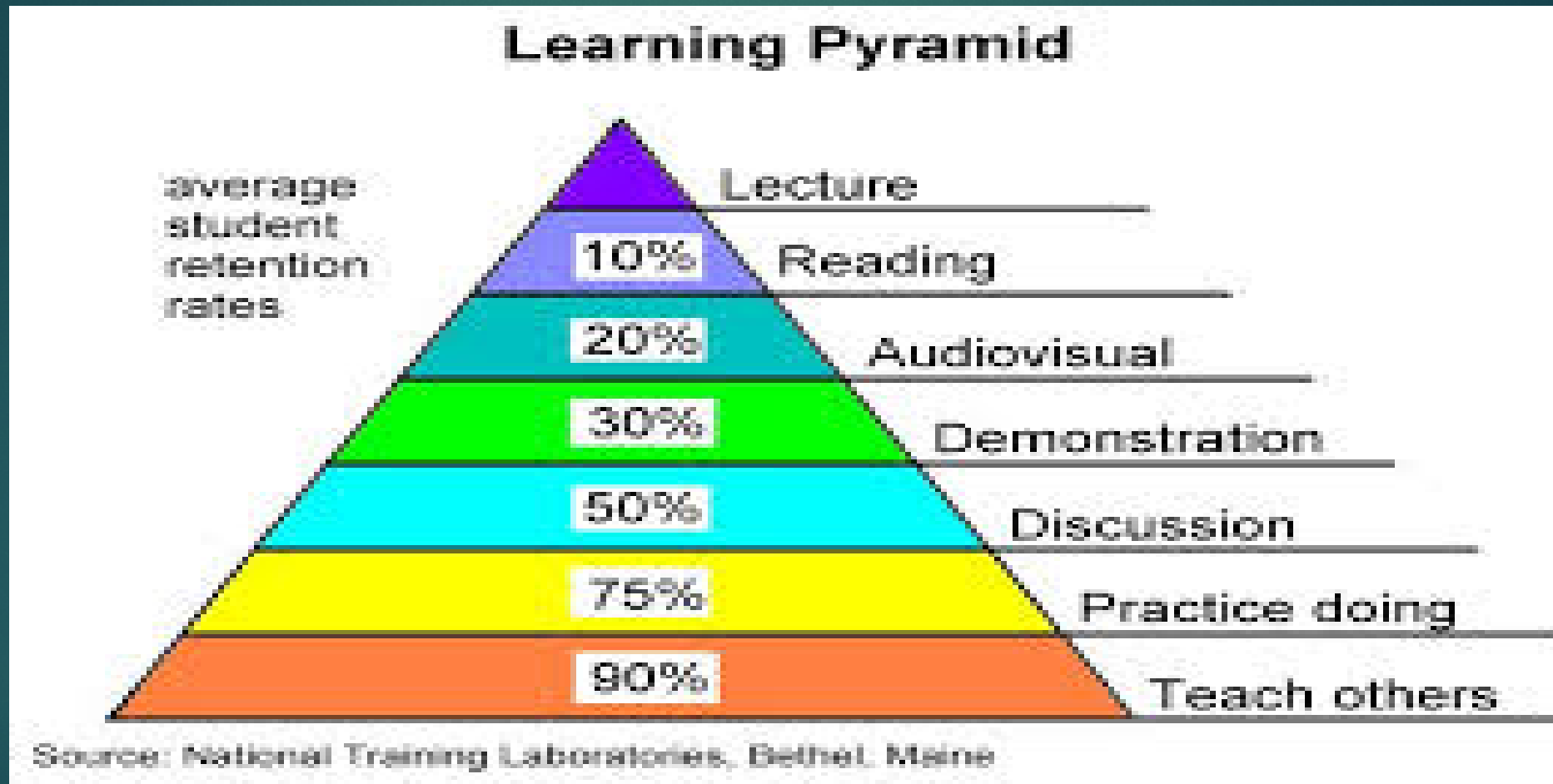
Changing Climate of Education

- ▶ Shrinking pool of traditional students
- ▶ Many choices in where and how they will receive education
- ▶ Political pressures
- ▶ Misalignment leads to more regulation and change
- ▶ Technology

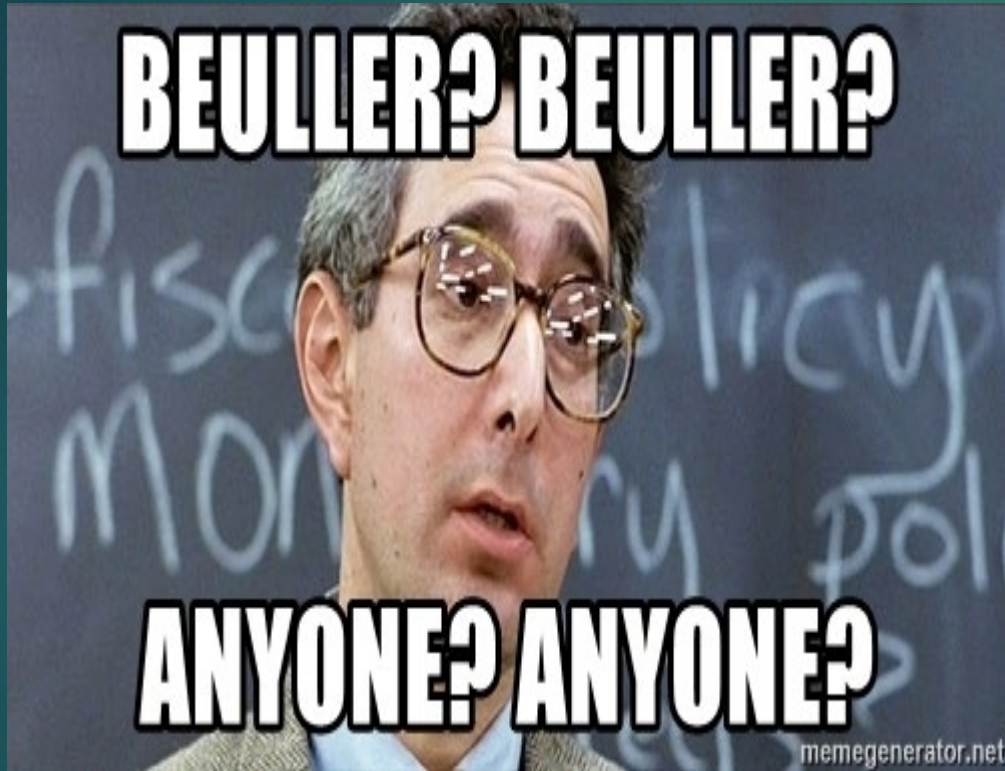




How Do people Learn?



Two schools of Thought



Active vs Passive Learning

Passive Learning

- ▶ Students sit and receive information to internalize
- ▶ Control by instructor
- ▶ Structured
- ▶ Empty vessel approach
- ▶ Students can be reticent about asking for better understanding
- ▶ Ex: Sermons, lectures

Active Learning

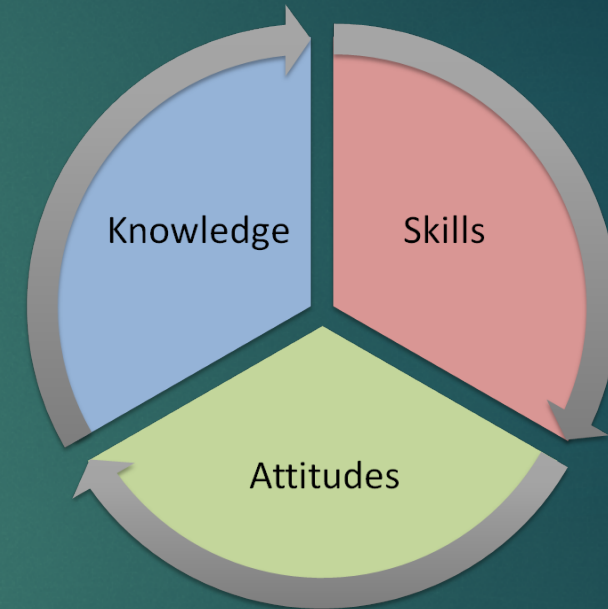
- ▶ Actively involves student participation
- ▶ Encourages critical thinking
- ▶ Deepens comprehension levels
- ▶ Student concentration
- ▶ Higher-order thinking
- ▶ Ex: group, Tech based activity

7 Keys to Better Classroom Management



Key #1: Arm Thyself

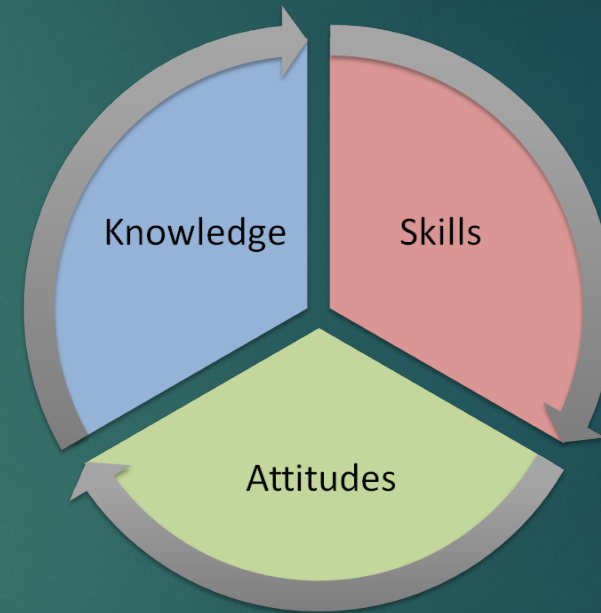
- ▶ Catalog
- ▶ College Policies and procedures
- ▶ Accreditation standards
- ▶ AST Recommended Standards
- ▶ Syllabi- powerful management tool
- ▶ Addendum
- ▶ Know your audience




What do they need to succeed?

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- ▶ **Attitudes**- growth of character, soft skills
- ▶ **Skills**- cultivation of hands on demonstration
- ▶ **Knowledge**- acquisition of theory
- ▶ **Competency**- Demonstrated behaviors





Attitude + Skill = Commitment

Skill + Knowledge = Process

Knowledge + Attitude = Purpose

Attitude + Skill + Knowledge = Competency

Attitude + Skill + Commitment + Knowledge + Purpose + Competency =
ABILITY to Succeed

Key # 2: Setting the tone

- ▶ Layout /appearance of the room
- ▶ Your appearance
- ▶ Greet your students or running in disheveled?
- ▶ Create a safe environment
- ▶ Room temperature
- ▶ For online – esthetics of your virtual classroom

Key # 3: Setting the expectations

- ▶ The power of day 1
- ▶ Clear and concise
- ▶ Limit negative actions in a positive manner
- ▶ Content expert- manager of the room stay in charge

Key # 4 Effective Communication

- ▶ Silence is not golden
- ▶ One of the most important key elements of classroom management
- ▶ Students are not children, patients, or clients
- ▶ Build on common ground
- ▶ Body language – theirs
- ▶ Online – create a bond through a virtual format

Key # 4 Effective Communication

- ▶ Body language- yours
- ▶ “teacher look” more powerful than a raised voice
- ▶ Avoid sarcasm
- ▶ Use proximity to communicate
- ▶ Use their names
- ▶ If you are running a real world scenario- let the students know before hand

Key # 5: Consistency

- ▶ Holding accountability them
- ▶ Timing regarding discipline
- ▶ You- organized?
- ▶ On time? You?
- ▶ Enforce rules in a consistent manner
- ▶ If it wasn't documented.....
- ▶ Students who monopolize the class

Key # 6: Instructional technique

- ▶ Power in how you start class
- ▶ Are you engaging your audience?
- ▶ Use varying teaching methods
- ▶ Are you killing them with death by power point?
- ▶ Do you have meaningful activities embedded?

Key # 6: Instructional technique

- ▶ 1 free pass?
- ▶ Integrate team learning
- ▶ Guest Speakers?
- ▶ Field Trips?
- ▶ KEEP THEM BUSY!

Key # 7: Partner up!

- ▶ Utilize your people resources
- ▶ Meet with students one at a time- don't take on negative groups
- ▶ Open resistance
- ▶ Document
- ▶ Get a mentor

The REAL Focus

- ▶ It's not about us
- ▶ Taking it too personally
- ▶ Bigger picture
- ▶ Personal problems need to stay out of the classroom

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