

CULTURALLY SUSTAINING PEDAGOGY



WHAT IS CULTURALLY SUSTAINING PEDAGOGY (CSP)?

CPS is a teaching approach that emphasizes the importance of connecting students' culture and social situations to the school's curriculum. This approach creates an inclusive environment in the classroom.

(Marette, 2023)

A CULTURALLY RESPONSIVE TEACHER...

- Builds positive learning partnerships with students.
- Acknowledge, respect, and incorporate the cultural influences of all students.
- Self- Reflect on your own cultural influences and bias.

(Albemarle County School, 2022)



CPS INCLUSION IN THE CLASSROOM

1. Allow students to learn from non-traditional media like oral storytelling or street art.
2. Design a lesson to connect what students have prior knowledge to what they are learning.
3. Provide positive feedback to students studying the connections between the new concept and cultural prior knowledge.
4. Create an environment where students can work collaboratively while sharing their culture and differences.

(Institute of Educational Sciences)

WHY IS IMPORTANT FOR K-12 EDUCATORS TO MAKE CPS PART OF THE SCHOOL CULTURE?

- CPS supports racial and ethnic equality.
- CPS ensures access to resources and opportunities.
- CPS promotes critical thinking about dominant structures in societies.

(Teacher and Leader Policy Office, 2022)

STAKEHOLDER CORNER (ADDITIONAL RESOURCES)

1. [6 Culturally Responsive Pedagogy Strategies to Boost Student Engagement](#)
2. [What does Culturally Sustaining Pedagogy look like?](#)
3. [7 Culturally Responsive Teaching Strategies and Instructional Practices](#)
4. [Getting Started With Culturally Responsive Teaching](#)
5. [How to Build Culturally Responsive Classrooms](#)



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