**West Virginia State University College of Professional Studies Department of Education Professional Development (PD) Reflection**

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Please respond to the following prompts:

1. Summarize the key points you learned from this Professional Development experience.

 - Parental involvement and relationships are important.

 - Organization is key!

 - Competition is not always necessary.

 - Great way for students to be active and have fun.

1. Discuss how these key points connect to your content area.

Organization connects to my content area because all teachers need to be organized and ready and class. Wasting time looking for materials only allows for students to become off task and less learning taking place. Parental involvement and relationships are part of a successful school environment. Parents need to feel welcome at their child’s school and in the classroom. Teachers need to have an open line of communication with parents. Even though students spend most of their time in the classroom, learning can still be active and fun. Teachers can incorporate different styles of teaching so students are not always sitting in their desks taking in information.

1. Share how you might use this new information in your future classroom.

The information obtained from the PD is useful in the classroom. I will have a welcoming environment for students and parents and make communication an essential component. I will have an organized space for my students so maximum learning can take place. I am open to getting students out of their seats and learning in different ways. I don’t want learning to feel boring.