Course Objectives:

- Participants will demonstrate an understanding of effective middle level philosophy and practices.
- Participants will model effective middle level practices while completing coursework.
- Participants will reflect daily about the meaning and significance of course assignments as they relate to effective middle schools.
- Participants will adapt and transfer course activities for effective application in their workplaces.

Required Texts:


This We Believe: Successful Schools For Young Adolescents, National Middle School Association, Westerville OH (2003)


Wormeli, Rick, Meet Me In The Middle: Becoming An Accomplished Middle Level Teacher, Stenhouse Publishers, Portland ME (2001)

Course Requirements:

- Complete readings as assigned
- Participate in course activities
- Keep a daily journal of your experiences and reflections on the course wiki
- Respond to reflection prompts as assigned by the instructor on the course wiki
- Team with a classmate to present a middle level organizational topic while modeling effective middle level practices

Expectations:

- Attend, arrive, and complete assignments on time
- Model high personal and professional standards
- Demonstrate thoughtful and reflective efforts in completion of assignments
- Engage, participate, and contribute constructively to class
- Communicate with the instructor in advance of schedule conflicts and assignment deadlines
If you require course adaptations or accommodations because of a disability, please make an appointment to see me as soon as possible.