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# ACTION STEPS

1. Maintain high standards and demonstrate high expectations for all ethnically, culturally, and linguistically diverse students.
2. Show students you care by getting to know their individual needs and strengths and sharing their concerns, hopes, and dreams.
3. Understand students' home cultures to better comprehend their behavior in and out of the classroom.
4. Encourage active participation of parents or guardians.
5. Tap into students' backgrounds to enhance learning.
6. Choose culturally relevant curriculum and instructional materials that recognize, incorporate, and reflect students' heritage and the contributions of various ethnic groups.
7. Identify and dispel stereotypes.
8. Create culturally compatible learning environments.
9. Use cooperative learning strategies.

10.Capitalize on students' cultures, languages, and experiences.

11.lntegrate the arts in the curriculum.

12.Promote students' health.

13.Develop community ties and build community schools.

14.1ncorporate multiple forms of assessment.

15.Establish truly bilingual classrooms.

16.Embrace dual-language strategies.

17.Use integrated, holistic approaches to language experiences for second language learners instead of rote drill and practice.

18.Teach language through subject matter rather than specific linguistic skill exercises.

19.Adopt sheltered English strategies.

20.Practice English in flexible, heterogeneous cooperative learning groups.

21.Use cross-age and peer tutoring.

22.Respect community language norms.

23.0rganize teaching around thematic, interdisciplinary units.

24.Enhance language learning with computers and peer tutors.

25.Help students build "social capital."

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