



## Bulletin Boards – Ideas for Every Classroom

Professional Learning Board integrated self-study professional development courses are conveniently available 24 x 7 to teacher-learners. Each self-study PD course includes:

- Course content delivered in an interactive online textbook,
- Practical suggestions that can be implemented immediately,
- Quiz
- Printable certificate of completion
- Lifetime access



**As teachers, we spend so much time in creating an ideal classroom for our students that often we tend to forget the available and rich physical space that surrounds us in the classroom – the wall space.**

A classroom can seem incomplete without attractive and educative bulletin boards. Have you ever looked at another teacher's bulletin boards and wondered how they managed to make it so interesting? Maybe you don't have a lot of experience with art, or maybe you're running low on creative ideas.

This course provides a new and fresh direction that helps teachers understand the basic principles of art and design and how to apply these in planning and creating bulletin boards. Included are a number of ideas for interesting, interactive and educative bulletin boards. Through this course, teachers come up with some very creative and visually effective ideas for their classrooms and often are inspired to create their own classroom bulletin board makeovers.

### Standards:

This course aligns to the INTASC Standard, Learning Environments.

It also aligns to the McRel Teacher Evaluation Standards including Teacher Leadership, Diverse Learners, Teachers Know Content and Teachers Facilitate Learning.



## Course Outline:

### Lesson 1: Introduction to Bulletin Boards

Exploring the purpose, application and skills enhanced by bulletin boards

Identifying essential characteristics of good bulletin boards

Considering the three main types of bulletin boards: teacher created, teacher-student created and student created to understand their applications, features and advantages

### Lesson 2: Designing Bulletin Boards

The effective use of art elements in the design of classroom bulletin boards

Using principles of design to organize elements of a bulletin board for a specific purpose

Applying the basics of graphic organization to present the content of a bulletin board

### Lesson 3: Creating a Bulletin Board

Planning for the physical aspects and logistics of the board as well as its purpose

Understanding the process of constructing the background, lettering and adornments for the board

Ensuring student participation through clear expectations, creating success, promoting teamwork and organization

### Lesson 4: Bulletin Board Ideas

Exploring the applications and features of seasonal boards in celebrating events and reinforcing learning

Creating boards for classroom management and social skill development to emphasize rules and expectations

Examining how conceptual boards can be used to effectively teach and reinforce subjects like Math, English, Science and History