



## DESIGNING EFFECTIVE SCIENCE INSTRUCTION: What Works in Science Classrooms

Make a real and lasting change in your classroom. Use research-based instructional strategies to help increase the quality of science instruction and student learning.

### Professional development that aligns with the Next Generation Science Standards

In response to an international need to increase K–12 student achievement in science, McREL has developed Designing Effective Science Instruction, a customizable professional development program to improve the quality and delivery of science lessons.

Instructional practices are modeled using the new **Next Generation Science Standards**, and teachers will learn an instructional framework that can be used immediately to guide powerful lesson designs.

- Explore the CUES instructional framework, which addresses content and student understanding to improve the quality of science instruction and lessons.
- Learn research-based teaching strategies that are linked to increased student achievement.
- Discover how to build student engagement and motivation through positive classroom environments.
- Create professional development plans to sustain and continue improvements.
- Network with others to learn and exchange strategies for teaching diverse learners.

*Bring this outstanding workshop for teachers and administrators to your school, region, or state*

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# DESIGNING EFFECTIVE SCIENCE INSTRUCTION FRAMEWORK

## Identifying Important CONTENT

Strategy 1: Identifying Big Ideas and Key Concepts

Strategy 2: Unburdening the Curriculum

Strategy 3: Engaging Students with Content

Strategy 4: Identifying Preconceptions and Prior Knowledge

Strategy 5: Developing Assessments: How Do You Know that They Learned?

Strategy 6: Sequencing the Learning Targets into a Progression

## Developing Student UNDERSTANDING

Strategy 1: Engaging Students in Science Inquiry

Strategy 2: Implementing Formative Assessments

Strategy 3: Addressing Preconceptions and Prior Knowledge

Strategy 4: Providing Wrap-Up and Sense-Making Opportunities

Strategy 5: Planning for Collaborative Science Discourse

Strategy 6: Providing Opportunities for Practice, Review, and Revision

## Creating a Learning ENVIRONMENT

Strategy 1: Believing All Students Can Learn

Strategy 2: Thinking Scientifically

Strategy 3: Developing Positive Attitudes and Motivation

Strategy 4: Providing Feedback

Strategy 5: Reinforcing Progress and Effort

Strategy 6: Teaching Students to be Metacognitive

