

## EDUCATOR ESSENTIALS: BLENDED LEARNING

**EDUCATOR ESSENTIALS** provides learning strategies and resources to move from a static-learning curriculum to one that is competency-based and learner-centered through authentic project learning experiences.

### WHY IMPLEMENT BLENDED LEARNING?

Blended learning as an instructional model has been around for many years. However, the inequitable access to technology for all students was an insurmountable challenge in many districts.

Now, with growing accessibility of personal devices, online resources, and the independence gained since the pandemic, a blended learning approach that ensures learners are engaged and driving their individual learning experience is a natural progression for education.



[Back to school: A framework for remote and hybrid learning amid COVID 19](#)

### WHY CREATE A PROFESSIONAL PORTFOLIO?

A professional portfolio tells the story of you as an educator and a life-long learner. It is a tool that demonstrates your skills and provides evidence of best practices.

It is an effective way to reflect, describe and document your education philosophy, goals and achievements.

As part of NAF's on-demand professional learning series, we will be providing template pages for your portfolios. Although we use [Bulb +](#), which is free for all educators, you can use whichever portfolio tool you prefer.

After creating an account, click below for the tutorial



[Bulb+ Tutorial](#)

### DYNAMIC BLENDED LEARNING

*"[Dynamic Blended Learning](#) is characterized by constant change and activity, growing, and evolving over time. It is learner-centered, giving students choice and embedding collaboration, critical thinking, communication, and creativity." ~ Kasey Bell, [Shake Up Learning](#)*

[Get started with Blended and Online Learning](#) using online and offline activities to enhance learner agency

## BLENDED LEARNING MODELS



### FLIPPED LEARNING

provides learners the flexibility of engaging with content through online multimedia and allowing them to pause, rewind, and review. Educators have more time for targeted, personalized instruction.

[Flipped Learning Flow for Blended or Online Classes](#)

[What is...Flipped Learning?](#)



### CHOICE BOARDS

offer several options for voice and choice to enhance learner agency. Learners select how they will showcase their knowledge and skills with text, multimedia, and technology applications.

[Teacher's Guide to Digital Choice Boards](#)

[How to Make a Google Docs Choice Board](#)



### STATION ROTATION

engages learners by rotating through a series of online and offline stations. One station allows the educator to offer personalized, learner-center experience with small group educator-led instruction to meet individual learner needs.

[10 Tips for the Station Rotation Model](#)

[What is the Station Rotation Model?](#)