

# MTTC Fall 2007

## Observation Record and Notes

**MTTC Participant:** Shawn Smith  
**Teacher being mentored:** Nikki Martin, Pre K ESL  
**Peer Coaching Partner:** Ellen Zimmerman  
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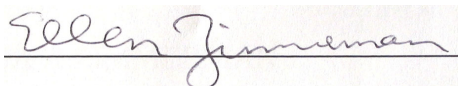
**Shawn's Mentor Goal:** Develop and practice cognitive coaching strategies through the development of effective questioning techniques and relationship-building skills.  
Increase the frequency and understanding of technology integration throughout campus.

### Asked to Look For:

- I would like you to listen for the wording of my questions to ensure that I am not being too directing and leading.
- I would like you to listen for any verbal signs that the teacher is becoming comfortable and developing a trust relationship with me.
- I would like you to listen for signs that I am effectively listening to the teacher's input and incorporating this input into my questions and suggestions.

### Observation:

- Appropriate introduction was made and a summary of the project was given. The teacher sounded very open to the cooperative format of the lesson plan. The teacher even mad a statement about getting your help in anticipation of the outcome.
- You clarified answers for each topic before moving on to the next topic.
- The teacher was allowed to complete her thought processes before you summarized and moved to another question.
- You offered option for technology use on a broad scale and then offered excellent ideas after getting a positive response from the teacher.
- You did a very good job of helping to focus in on the details needed regarding the lesson plan. For example the use of manipulatives.
- The discussion was rephrased periodically and you also rephrased and/or stated questions in more than one way to clarify processes periodically.
- It was clear that the teacher appreciated and accepted the coaching process. (She was comfortable and non-defensive in her responses and enjoying the camaraderie.) Her comfort level was evident and it is my opinion that the discussion was very successful!

  
Ellen Zimmerman