Participation and Professionalism: 20%

Due Date: Throughout the term

As future teachers, you are expected to be prepared and willing to participate actively in class and to act in a professional and respectful manner towards your peers and your instructor. In the event of extenuating circumstances that will prevent you from attending class, I will expect you to contact me by e-mail prior to class. As a sign of respect to everyone in class, please turn off all mobile phones before entering class (whether in person or via video call) unless there are extenuating reasons not to do so and you have discussed those reasons with me. Your participation in our class activities and discussions is important not only for your own learning but also the learning of others. I expect you to attend every class, to arrive on time for a prompt start, and to participate in and contribute to class discussions. You are encouraged and expected to share your thinking with your classmates. Please encourage your peers by giving each other "think" time. You are responsible for posing questions and taking responsibility for your own learning. You cannot readily "make up" the class if you are absent because so much rests on what we do together, and this learning cannot be duplicated. Excessive absences (more than one) or tardiness will affect your final grade, but more importantly, it will affect your preparation as a teacher. Please see the corresponding rubric on the course website for more details concerning the assessment of your participation.