

Instructional Video: Filming Instructions

The Instructional Video is a series of video clips totaling 25 minutes. It is filmed by the teacher and provides information to help the Coach give individualized feedback regarding teacher strategies and behaviors used in the classroom. The video clips listed below can be filmed all in one day or over several days. Please film the following:

1. Circle time or whole group activity for 10-15 minutes
2. Center time activities showing the children in various centers for 5 minutes
3. One small group activity of your choosing for 5 minutes

Circle Time: 10-15 minutes

Your circle time clip will be a whole group activity of your choosing. This should be typical of your normal, everyday circle time.

- Include yourself and the students participating in circle time.
- Include the entire areas used during your circle time. (For example, if you will be using your letter wall, please place your camera so that it captures the letter wall in use.)
- Include the transition to the next activity. (For example, show the transition from whole group to centers.)

Center Time: 5 minutes

Your center time clip will be a sample of the children involved in the different learning centers available in the classroom. This should be typical of your normal, everyday center time.

- Show the different materials and activities children are playing with in the centers.
- Show the center management system (how students decide where to go).
- If possible, film yourself as you facilitate center activities (how do you teach students about each center activity and how you interact with the children while they are in centers).

Small Group: 5 minutes

Your small group clip will be a sample of a few of the children doing an activity with you.

- Film yourself conducting a small group activity.
- Show the children participating in the activity.
- Show an up-close shot of the materials being used in the activity.

Filming Tips:

- Prop the tablet on a shelf at an angle that allows you to capture the children, yourself, lesson, and materials.
- After the activity, provide a close-up shot of the materials by showing them in the viewfinder of the camera and pausing for a few seconds so the Coach can see the lesson materials.
- Read the “*Whole Group and Small Group Filming Instructions*” handout for more detailed tips and instructions on setting up the camera and what to capture in the viewfinder.

Next Steps:

After recording your video clips, use the following steps:

- Upload your video into www.cliengage.org. Use the “*Uploading Your Classroom Videos in CLI Engage*” handout for step-by-step uploading directions.
- Send your coach a copy of the corresponding week’s lesson plan that matches your videos.