**Teaching Journal Prompt Ideas**

1. Think back to your favorite teaching moment and describe it. Why is it your favorite?
2. What have you learned about yourself as a teacher this year?
3. What is currently the hardest concept for your students to understand? Why do you think it is so challenging?
4. What does your ideal course look like?
5. What is your favorite teaching activity? Why?
6. What would you tell a new teacher about how to be successful in the classroom?
7. What is your biggest teaching challenge right now?
8. What is your favorite book about teaching? Why?
9. If you were going to write a book on teaching, what would you write about?
10. Why do you teach?
11. When did you first incorporate technology into your teaching? What do you remember about that experience?
12. What would your ideal teaching day look like?
13. What are you most looking forward to about your teaching in the next year?
14. Who has inspired you as a teacher? What did you learn from them?
15. What is the most inspiring thing about you as a teacher?
16. What are five words that you would use to describe your teaching? Why those five words?
17. What is your current method for preparing for class? What’s working? What’s not working?
18. What questions do you wish you could ask another teacher in your field right now?
19. How do you know if your students are learning?
20. What is your favorite way to learn something new?
21. What are the obstacles that hinder student learning the most?
22. What is your favorite part of planning a new course? Why?
23. What was the last risk that you took with your teaching? What happened?
24. What do you still need to learn as a teacher?
25. What strategies work best to encourage your students to learn?
26. What is the relationship between teaching and learning?
27. How do you reflect on your teaching experiences?
28. What is your least favorite part about teaching? Why?
29. What is the role of grading in your teaching?
30. If you could teach any course outside of your discipline, what would it be? Why?
31. What’s the biggest change you have made in your teaching? What brought about this change?
32. How has your use of technology in your teaching changed over time?
33. What embarasses you the most about your teaching? Why?
34. How do you incorporate humor into your teaching? If you don’t, why not?
35. What is the best assignment that you have ever created? What made it great?
36. How do you stay current with the content in your field?
37. If you were to design a teaching experiment in your classroom, what would it look like?
38. Who was your favorite teacher? What made them great?
39. Who was your least favorite teacher? Why?
40. What resources help you to be creative in your teaching?
41. What helps you to feel confident as a teacher?
42. When have you lacked confidence as a teacher?
43. What are your favorite kinds of questions to get from students?
44. How do you organize your teaching files? What works for you? What doesn’t work for you?
45. What is the best professional development that you have done for your teaching?
46. When did you know that you wanted to be a teacher?
47. What’s your favorite way to get to know students when teaching a new course?
48. What’s your favorite icebreaker to introduce students to one another?
49. If you could teach any other age group, what would you choose? Why?
50. How do you know when a course you have taught before needs to be refreshed or revised?
51. What is your favorite way to communicate with your students? Why?
52. What metaphor would you use to describe your teaching right now?
53. What’s the piece of technology you have been most excited to upgrade as a teacher?
54. How is your relationship to technology the same or different from that of your students?