CLASSROOM MANAGEMENT RESOURCES

- **Classroom Management Resource Roundup**: This resource collection from Edutopia offers useful tips, tools, and advice for instructions looking for information on guiding classroom communities, minimizing disruptions, and developing class routines to help students stay engaged and focused on learning.

- **Classroom Management and Student Goal Setting**: This document is an excerpt drawn from the Education at a YouthBuild Program handbook. This document covers issues that arise in managing a classroom and creating expectations for students. Several specific types of behavior interventions are covered. This chapter also includes a section on student goal setting, with overviews of the Individual Career Plan and Postsecondary Education Plan.

- **Rethinking Schools** is a social justice education magazine and publishing organization that offers education materials related to school reform.

- **Power my Learning** provides professional development to teachers and parents through their free software and other tech-oriented tools. They partner with schools serving low-income communities and provide professional development for educators and family engagement services.

STUDENT ENGAGEMENT RESOURCES

- **"Blocking" Lessons, A Classroom Choreography** provides useful tips and strategies for designing 60-90 minute lesson plans that engage students and maximize their learning. The tipsheet also includes useful classroom motivation, group work and management practices.

- **"How Bad Do You Want It?"** is an inspirational YouTube video about success and hard work. Showing this in class is a great way to motivate students.

- **Short Takes for Active Student Participation** offers simple, easy to use "activators" or "energizers" that provide learners with an opportunity to process information that has just been presented, read, viewed, or encountered through direct, hands-on experience. Build these fun activities into your lesson plan design!
• **Managing Small Group Learning** provides suggestions for managing successful learning in small groups.

• **Teaching Strategies** discusses the challenges that YouthBuild teachers face, and instructional strategies that can effectively meet students' needs. Several teaching models are explained, such as Concept Attainment, the Socratic Method, and more, plus information on keeping students engaged through attention management. This document is an excerpt drawn from the Education at a YouthBuild Program handbook.

• **The Classroom Environment** lays out what elements are needed to create a positive learning atmosphere. Learn how to foster a culture of student empowerment and support, validate students' experience and knowledge, foster awareness and respect in the classroom, and address issues of motivation. Also included are practical tips for setting up the classroom and resource center. This document is an excerpt drawn from the *Education at a YouthBuild Program handbook* (2012).

• **Visible Thinking** outlines simple, easy to implement activities that actively involve students in the learning process and while pushing them to think deeper about specific topics. Examples of visible thinking activities include the commonly used "think-pair-share" and "I used to think... but now I think..." routines.