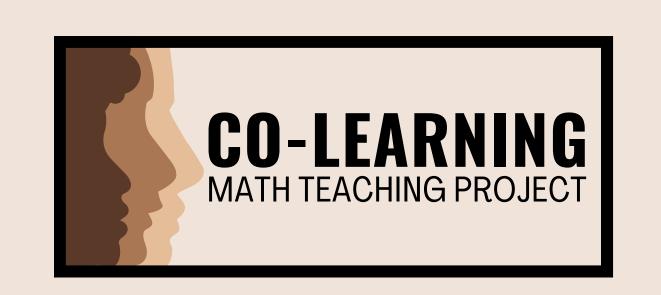
# Asset-Focused Co-Noticing Tool I: Huddling



Co-Learning Equity-Oriented Math Instruction

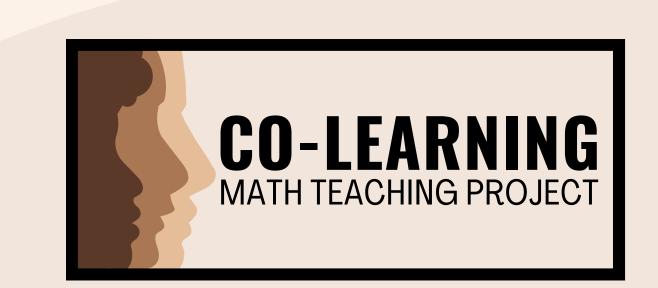
This tool (ACT I: Huddling) supports teachers in co-learning equity-oriented math instruction by creating opportunities to huddle during instruction. In particular, we explore the question: How can we authentically center and leverage the assets of students often excluded or marginalized in math classrooms? (e.g., students from marginalized racial, socio-economic, gender and/or linguistic groups).

The tool offers asset-focused prompts and guides teachers to engage in collaborative noticing and decision making during instruction. There are three parts of the tool:

- Part 1 (Before Instruction): Choose a focal question & plan for huddles
- Part 2 (During Instruction): Notice, huddle and make decisions together
- Part 3 (After Instruction): Reflect on our learning and make new plans

## Part 1 (Before Instruction)

#### Choose a focal question & plan for huddles



#### STEP 1

Choose a focal question to support your co-noticing during the lesson. Use this question to challenge your assumptions and biases about students and the mathematical ideas you privilege.

- a. Who is expressing their ideas? What are they sharing? Whose ideas are not being heard? Why?
- **b.** How are students interacting with one another? Who is included? Who is excluded? Why?
- **c.** What partial understandings do students offer? How are these ideas mathematically rich and relevant?
- **d.** What divergent or creative approaches do students offer? How might these contributions support the group's collective learning?

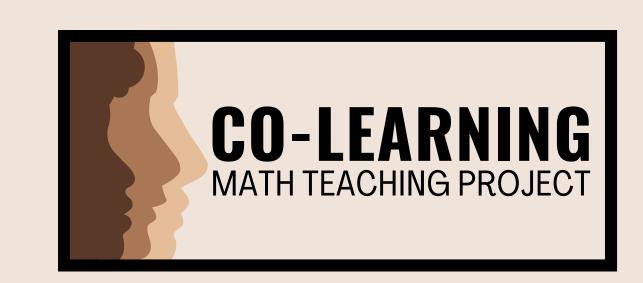
#### STEP 2

#### Plan for in-the-moment huddles

- 1. Given our focal question, are there any specific patterns related to students' racial, socioeconomic, gender and/or linguistic identities we want to pay attention to?
- 2. How will we capture what we're noticing? What, if any information do we want to collect?
- 3. When during the lesson will we huddle to check-in and share what we're noticing?
- **4.** What kinds of decision(s) could we make based on our noticing to leverage the assets of students often excluded or marginalized in math classrooms?

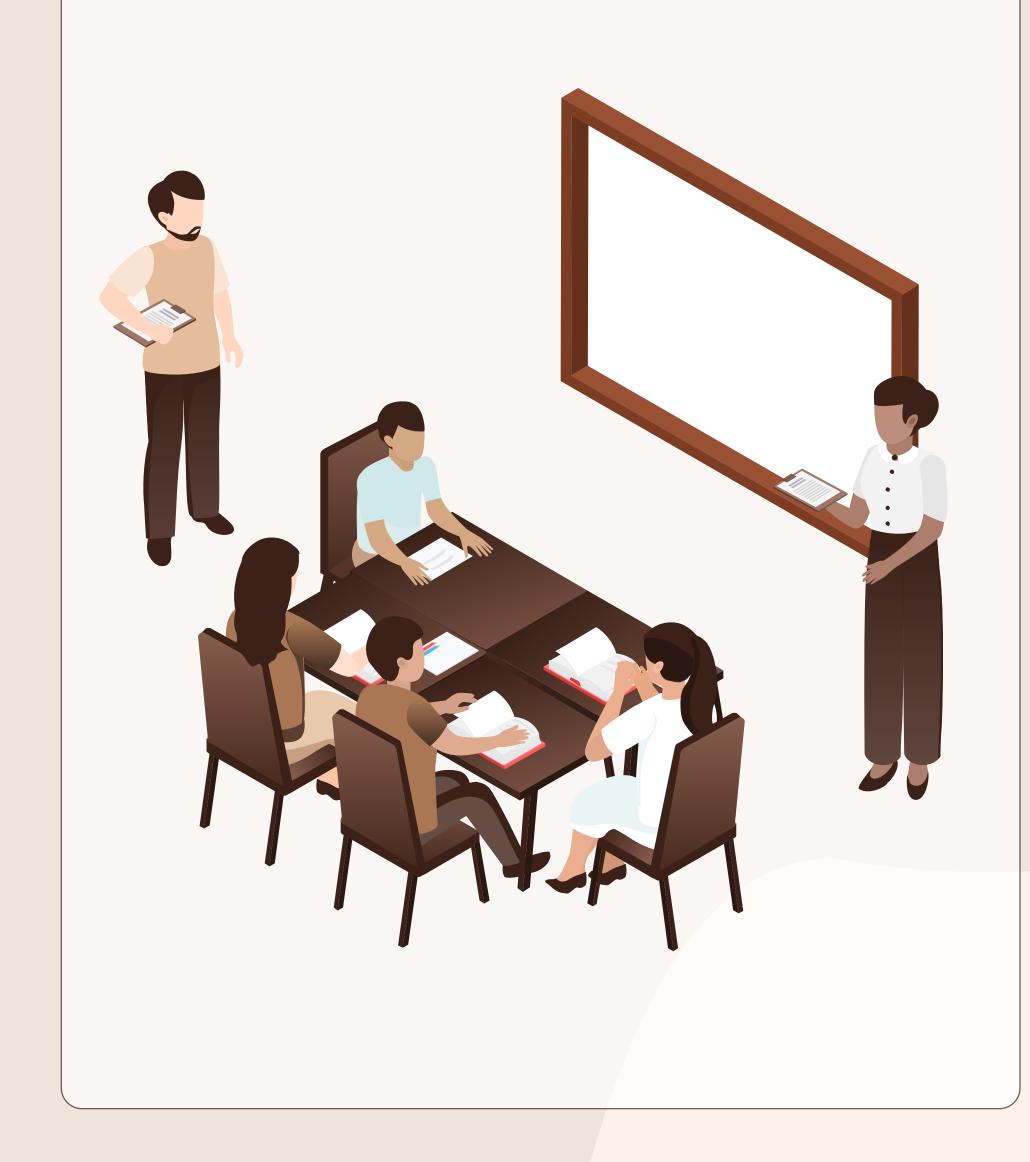
## Part 2 (During Instruction)

Notice, huddle, & make decisions together



#### STEP 1

Notice using your shared focal question.



#### STEP 2

Huddle to share what you're noticing.

Oh, that's interesting! It makes me wonder about...
I noticed...

#### STEP 3

Decide what to do next, based on what you noticed.

What should we do next?

## Part 3 (After Instruction)

## CO-LEARNING MATH TEACHING PROJECT

#### Reflect on what happened and make new plans

**Directions:** Use the prompts below to debrief your co-learning. **Challenge yourselves to use specific evidence from the lesson to support your reflections and ideas.** 

## STEP 1: Reflect on Huddles and Decision Making in this Lesson

- 1. Discuss our huddles and what we noticed related to our focal question(s).
- 2. How were our assumptions and biases about students' participation and mathematical ideas challenged by what we noticed? What surprised us? Why?
- 3. What decisions did we make based on what we noticed? How did these decisions support students' learning?

## STEP 2: Identify Insights to Build on in Future Lessons

- 4. How did our focal questions support our noticing? What might we focus on next?
- 5. What do we want to try next to leverage and center students' mathematical assets?
- **6.** What new ideas or questions do we have about equity-oriented instruction?

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