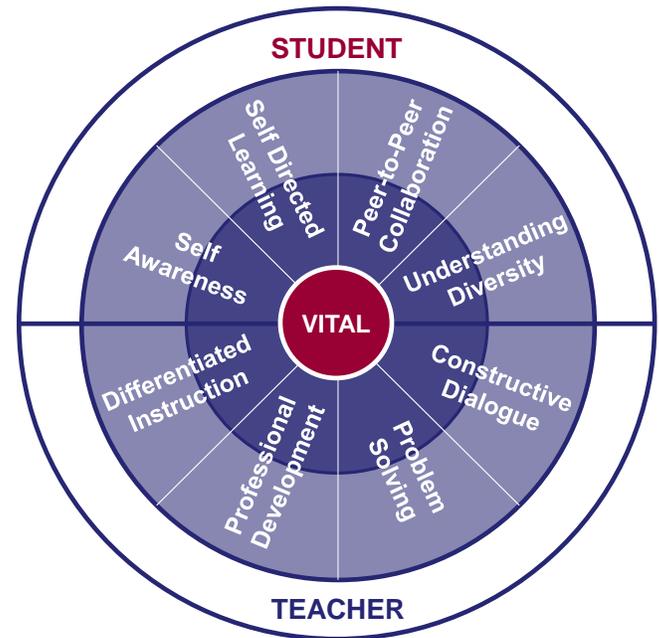


Vital Knowledge Program→

Target College Readiness

The Vital Knowledge Program is about equipping teachers to tailor content and instruction to the personalized needs of students, and empowering students to become self-directed learners, thereby advancing college readiness.



Equipping Teachers:

- Providing teachers with tools and strategies designed to make **differentiated instruction** more attainable
- Promoting **constructive dialogue** between teachers, students and parents
- Supporting teachers with strategies and activities for **problem solving**
- Contributing to the **professional development** of the teaching staff

The Vital Knowledge program integrates teaching style insights with student learning preferences at an individual or group level, empowering teachers with knowledge and a web-based tool set that is uniquely designed to support differentiated instruction and to advance teacher understanding of student learning needs and attributes.

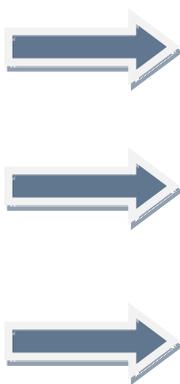
Empowering Students:

- Providing tools and resources that will assist students in becoming **self-directed learners**
- Increasing student **self-awareness**
- Fostering peer-to-peer **collaboration**
- Advancing sensitivity toward **diversity** within the school community

Students have access to their unique profile which contributes to self-awareness and an understanding of how they are most effective as learners. Student profiles are carefully constructed to enlighten and encourage students without the use of psychological type labels or terminology (ie. extravert). The profile discloses student attributes in a sensitive fashion without a specific psychological type label, but does provide the student with validation of their learning style (visual, auditory, or kinesthetic preference).

Vital Knowledge Teacher Challenge

TEACHERS	
V	Verify impact of teaching style
I	Integrate learning style into classroom design
T	Tailor instruction for diverse learner population
A	Advance student self-awareness
L	Leverage tools for problem solving



STUDENTS	
V	Vision of success
I	Insight & self-awareness
T	Transforming into self-directed learner
A	Adapting to a diverse environment
L	Learning to work effectively with others

Innovative **VITAL** Knowledge programs designed to benefit grades 6-14, including:

- **School-Level Program**
- **Grade-Level Pilot Program**
- **Class-Level Pilot Program**

Web-Based Teaching & Learning Profile System

- ✓ **Student Learning Profiles-** provides a comprehensive analysis of each student's learning preferences
- ✓ **Teacher Profiles-** provides teachers with an analysis of their own styles and preferences, including insight into how their approach interacts with the range of learning types
- ✓ **Class Level Reports-** provides teachers with a snap-shot of learning preferences for all students within a specified class
- ✓ **Comprehensive Individual Reports-** provides educators with detailed analysis and information useful in supporting problem solving, as well as a report for parents
- ✓ **Teaching Tools & Resources-** Multiple methods and strategies that assist teachers in differentiated instruction and engaging students with a broad range of learning preferences, including class-room seating and grouping tools

Featuring a Research-Based & Scientifically Tested Profile Assessment

P.E.T. Learning Styles Solution, a web-based teaching and learning profile system, serves as the foundation of the Vital Knowledge Program, and includes a teaching and learning style assessment, diagnostic and data management tool set. This system is based on the research of Dr. Patricia Cranton, and has been validated in institutions of learning over for over a decade, including implementations in secondary and post-secondary institutions throughout the world.

Dr. Cranton serves as **Professor of Adult Education** within the School of Behavioral Sciences and Education at **Penn State**, as well as **Adjunct Professor of Adult Learning & Leadership**, at **Teachers College Columbia University**. She has published 12 books along with numerous journal articles and conference presentations.

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