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TEACHER CANDIDATE LEARNING OBJECTIVES

A learning objective is a measurable goal that you set for yourself to be accomplished through your work experience. It will require that you **learn** a new skill, **develop** a new habit and **gain** new information.

A Learning Objective is:

1. **Understandable:** Written in clear, simple language, which communicates the meaning to all interested parties.
2. **Challenging:** Difficult enough to stimulate interest and be worthy of college credit.
3. **Achievable:** Capable of being accomplished within the prescribed period of time (one semester).
4. **Measurable:** Specific enough to provide for the observation and verification of accomplishment.

For each objective you should be able to answer the following questions:

- **What** are you planning to achieve?
- **Why** are you going to achieve this?
- **How** do you intend to accomplish this?
- **How** will completion of the Objective be measured?
- **What** will the end result be?

1. Brainstorm a list of skills, knowledge and abilities that you want to learn from your experience:

2. From this list, take one skill set of knowledge area and develop a **LEARNING OBJECTIVE** that clearly states a learning outcome you want to achieve.

Use this worksheet to think through additional learning objectives. Try to be creative and realistic about the activities you propose. One purpose of developing a learning objective is to identify learning content and tasks that will be **MEANINGFUL TO YOU**. After discussing your service learning objective proposal with your faculty advisor, you may decide to modify the strategies, based on available resources.