Closing the
Attitude Gap

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Your “Game Film” Matters!
Self-reflection
Self-assessment
Self-adjustment

What is the Attitude Gap?
The gap between those students who have the “WILL to achieve excellence” and those who do not.

In what ways does your practice tap into your students’ “WILL to achieve excellence?”

Tapping Into Your Students’ “Will to Achieve” (Evidence Matters!)

What is the evidence:
that my students’ attitudes matter?
that my attitude matters?
that my classroom climate matters?
that my classroom culture matters?
Is my classroom’s climate and culture consistent with what I conceptualized it to be prior to the first day of school? (Classroom Climate and Culture)

Is my classroom a BAM classroom?
What is my classroom’s way of life?
What is it about my classroom that my students can’t wait to come back every morning?
Do I teach “Math” or do I teach “Mathew?”
Is my classroom’s brand identity conducive to learning at the highest levels?

How do I close the Attitude Gap in my classroom?

A Framework for Closing the Attitude Gap

Environment for Learning
Attitude toward Students
Relationship with Students
Compassion for Students
Relevance in Instruction

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