

TEACHING FOR TRANSFORMATION

Teaching for Transformation (TfT) is a framework for the development of authentic learning experiences that are grounded in a Christian worldview with a focus on seeing and living God's story.

There are three core practices to TfT that make up the framework:

1. Storyline - See the Story; Live the Story

The TfT program uses the deep hope for each grade level or area of study to create a powerful and compelling vision of God's story. This storyline invites students to imagine his or her place in God's story now. Students are then given opportunities to tangibly practice living in the grand narrative.

2. Biblical Throughlines - Who we are in God's story

Avail has identified 10 biblical throughlines to help us imagine who we are as a uniquely gifted people. Students are challenged to develop Kingdom-building characteristics as they live out their role in God's story. Throughlines shift the learning focus away from "what" the student needs to know, to "who" the student is called to be.

3. FLEx - Formational Learning Experiences

Formative Learning Experiences are designed to form the students' hearts and actions as well as their minds, equipping students to become people who live and breathe God's story. We make ways for all students to use their gifts to meet the real needs of people by doing authentic work. Living a life of purpose doesn't start after graduation, it starts NOW.



Biblical Throughlines – Who We Are in God’s Story



God-Worshipper

We celebrate who God is. We celebrate what God has done and is doing. We celebrate what God has created. We stand in awe and wonder of God and His promises. Worship is a way of life at Avail!



Image-Reflector

We bear the image of God in our daily living; it's who we are as we reflect God's image! And we also learn to see God's image in others. The more Christ-like our actions, the more clearly Christ's light shines in a dark world.



Community-Builder

We actively pursue and build Christ-like community in our classrooms, neighborhoods, and in the global village. Our work and our living promotes peaceful, shalom-filled communities.



Earth-Keeper

We respond to God's call to be stewards of all creation. As caretakers and gardeners of all creation, we reclaim and relearn how to respectfully treat the world and all things in it.



Beauty-Creator

We create beauty that praises God and enriches the world. Creation shouts that our God is a God who loves diversity, complexity, and creativity. Therefore, we glorify God when we create that which is beautiful and pleasing to Him.



Justice-Seeker

The world is not as God intended it to be; therefore, we must recognize the injustices in this world and act as agents of restoration to the injustices in our world.



Creation-Enjoyer

We explore and celebrate God's beautiful creation, giving testimony to the presence of God in creation. Ordinary things become extraordinary when we look at, talk about, and study God's creation.



Idolatry-Discerner

We strive to love God more than anyone or anything else by recognizing the truth through learning about God and His word. All things belong to Him and are to be used for His purposes.



Servant-Worker

We actively work to heal brokenness and bring joy to individuals and culture. We cultivate the desire and ability to offer hope, healing, and restoration to this world and its people in gratitude for the sacrifice of our Savior Jesus Christ.



Order-Discoverer

We see God's fingerprints all over creation. When we discover the amazing order within creation, we help fulfill His plans and purposes for it.