



Easy Starters to *Increase Choice* in Your Classroom

- Realize that giving students choice might decrease behavior, increase motivation and teach life skills!
- Let students choose the content by creating a brainstorming list of topics students want to learn about.
- Allow student questions to drive topic exploration. Encourage their curiosity.
- Draw on students' differing strengths, abilities and interests!
- Involve students in choosing resources and materials.
- Provide options for HOW students will learn the content and HOW they will show their learning.
Choice boards are great for this!
- Put students in charge! Students can be "the resident expert" on topics as you work through units.
Better yet, make them the teacher!
- Make room in your day for Genius Hour or a Passion Project.
- Consider flexible seating...although this isn't curricular, it does give students freedom and a chance to learn about what works best for them!
- Limit choices if students become overwhelmed and add them back in as students get more comfortable.