Beginning Teacher Needs

Beginning teachers have needs that typically fall into one of three categories listed below.

Social/Emotional Need to feel valued	• Culture – professional learning communities, institutional support	Instructional • Support for data analysis/writing SLOs
 Relational connections Location of resources – people or materials 	 School/district structure and policies – procedural issues outside of instruction, administrative procedures 	 Instructional support – instructional technology, lesson planning, pedagogy, content knowledge, assessment strategies, reflection
Sense of efficacy	 Location of resources – people or materials 	 Professionalism – professional organization membership, life-long learning, advocacy
	 Professionalism – school norms related to dress codes, on-time behaviors, cell phone use, teacher- student interactions 	 Classroom management – working with specific groups of students (poverty, special education, behavioral, ESL), classroom management plans, engagement Parental contacts – ongoing communication, conferences Location of resources – people or materials