Effective Feedback Tips & Tricks

Ideas gathered during the presentation for the May 2022 Academic Resources Conference: **Giving Excellent Online Feedback**

1. Timely manner
2. I commit to: "Monday is awful” I spend all day Monday grading and posting 😊
3. Save more negative comments for personal feedback and use "open" areas (like in the discussion board) for positive aspects of your comments.
4. If you read an especially good journal or discussion board comments, don't be afraid to give a "big YAY!" with some extra credit added to the points for the assignment.
5. On that, I even say "This is great! can I share this with the class?"
6. I also ask, "does this answer your question?" or "does this make sense?"
7. Focus comments/feedback on the outcome of the assignment.
8. For a VERY chatty discussion board participant, I might say, "great job being a leader in our discussions. I challenge you to read every posting already in the discussion before you post so you can refer to other students' post when you comment.
9. Affirmative and positive to start, then constructive criticism
10. End with encouragement, and “don’t hesitate to reach out with questions.”
11. Text Expander or similar - short snippets that become boiler-plate text
12. Copy/paster feedback across similar situations
13. Add a specific example from their work to support the general comment (if the number of students allow)