

Infant and Toddler Starter Recommendations

Starter recommendations are a great way to provide a preliminary set of resources to your team to help build comfort and familiarity with both the myTeachstone platform and the different aspects of the CLASS Tool. You can either recommend the resources to individual teachers or create teacher groups to promote group conversations in the system.

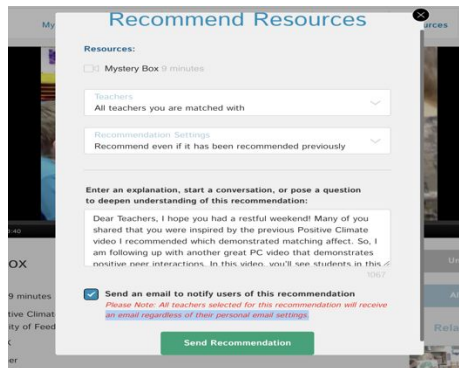
HOW TO CREATE A TEACHER GROUP

1. As a Coach in the system, you can view all of the teachers who are assigned to you from the **My Teachers** tab. As an Admin, you can see all teachers from the **Users** tab.
2. Each teacher card shows the teacher's name, center location, and date of last login.
3. You can sort or filter teachers by name or last login date.
4. View Teacher Groups by selecting the **Groups** link on the left side of the page.
5. Click the **Add Teacher Group** button to create a new teacher group.
6. Type a name and description for your group in the **Group Description** field.
7. Add teachers by searching and selecting their names from the **Select a Teacher** drop-down menu. Click the **Save Group** button.

MAKING MULTIPLE RECOMMENDATIONS

Start by clicking the green "Recommend" button at the top right of the Learning Resources tab. This will put you in recommend mode. In the search engine, type in the name of the recommendation below and hover over the resource. Click "Recommend" and the site will store the recommendation and allow you to stay in recommend mode and search for the other recommendations. You should see "Recommending 0 Resources" queue in the top left corner change to 1. Repeat process until all of the resources below have been add to your recommend queue.

Once all of the recommendations have been added click "Continue" on the top right in the green bar. You will be brought to the recommendation interface where you can choose the group of teachers you would like to send the resources to, write your descriptions, expectations, and/or reflective questions. Once you have chosen your teachers and written your descriptions and questions, check the box to send an email notification and click "**Send Recommendation.**" If you are an administrator and would like to allow conversations around the resources, also be sure to check the box to allow comments.



INFANT STARTER RECOMMENDATIONS:

Dimension: Relational Climate

Title: Playful Affection toward Infants on the Floor

Dimension: Teacher Sensitivity

Title: Monitoring Children While Playing on the Floor

Dimension: Facilitated Exploration

Title: Facilitating Exploration While Playing with Toy Phones

Dimension: Early Language Support

Title: Supporting Communication in the Kitchen Area

TODDLER STARTER RECOMMENDATIONS:

Dimension: Positive Climate

Title: Enjoying Warm Relationships: Rocking and Singing the ABCs

Dimension: Teacher Sensitivity

Title: Responding Sensitively to a Band-Aid Discussion

Dimension: Regard for Child Perspectives

Title: Encouraging Peer Perspective Taking during a Conflict over Playdough Tools

Dimension: Behavior Guidance

Title: Supporting Positive Behavior When a Child Grabs a Toy

Dimension: Facilitation of Learning and Development

Title: Guiding Exploration with Circles and Snowmen

Dimension: Quality of Feedback

Title: Clarifying Concepts with a Book about a Gorilla

Dimension: Language Modeling

Title: Parallel Talk While Playing with a Box